

CALL FOR INTERNATIONAL INCOMING MOBILITY PNRR/TNE "NEW SEASON" PROJECT FOR TRAINEESHIP

Art. 1 – Object

The University of Basilicata (hereafter "UNIBAS"), as a member of the partnership coordinated by the University of Chieti-Pescara within the framework of the project "**TNE-NEW SEASON: New South-East Asia Strategic and Operative Network**", launches the selection procedure with the specific aim of awarding financial contributions to **8 (v. art 7) international students from three Asian partner universities**.

These contributions are intended to support a minimum mobility period of two months (60 days) at UNIBAS for traineeship purposes, within the financial limits established by the project's budget.

Attachment n.1 will show the places available for each of the three Partner Universities.

Art. 2 – Partnership and project goals

The "**TNE-NEW SEASON: New South-East Asia Strategic and Operative Network**" project is funded by Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza PNRR – Missione 4 – Componente 1 "Potenziamento dell'offerta dei servizi all'istruzione: dagli asili nido all'università" – Investimento 3.4 "Didattica e competenze universitarie avanzate", Sotto-investimento T4 "Iniziative Transnazionali in materia di istruzione" which is also funded by European Union – NextGenerationEU.

The partnership is composed by four Italian Universities: Università degli Studi Gabriele D'Annunzio di Chieti- Pescara, Università degli Studi di Palermo, Università degli Studi della Basilicata, Università degli Studi Magna Graecia di Catanzaro.

The goals of the project are related to the internationalization of the study programs of both the European universities and their Asian partners — China, Vietnam, and South Korea — with the aim of promoting student mobility and fostering future collaborations, as outlined in the Cooperation Agreements signed by the parties. The signed Agreements are available in the official website pages of each partner institution involved.

Art. 3 – Eligibility criteria

Students regularly enrolled in the following programs are eligible to participate in the call, in compliance with any limits specified in Attachment 1:

- Bachelor's degree at one of the Asian Partner University listed in Attachment 1;
- Master's degree at one of the Asian Partner University listed in Attachment 1;
- School of Higher studies and PhD programs at one of the Asian Partner Universities listed in Attachment 1.
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Only students who are regularly enrolled and have paid all tuition fees at their home university for the current academic year are eligible to submit an application. Students who are about to graduate are not eligible to participate in this selection.

The candidate must have a sufficient proficiency in either the host country language (Italian) or the main language of the workplace (English, at a minimum B2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages), which must be specified in the Learning Agreement for Traineeship (LAT).

The candidate is required to obtain the necessary visa to enter Italy prior to departure. The Visa must be valid for the entire duration of the mobility period.

Art. 4 – Financial Contribution to the mobility

The Host University, within the funding limits established by the TNE project, offers a financial contribution intended to cover all mobility-related expenses, including travel, accommodation, and local transportation.

The allocated amount, hereinafter referred to as a “scholarship”, is composed as follows:

- **Travel reimbursement:** a fixed amount of € 1.500,00 per person, to be transferred to the student upon confirmed arrival in Italy and after providing valid proof of round-trip flight ticket purchase.
- **Individual allowance:** a lump sum of € 850,00 per month to cover board and lodging, local transportation, and daily expenses during the stay abroad.

PNRR/TNE mobility costs cannot be reimbursed twice using the same public financial sources, even if the nature of the expenses appears to differ. If the selected candidate receives additional funding from other sources, the compatibility of such sources will be evaluated by the Scientific Coordinator of the TNE/NEW SEASON project, Prof. Giovanni Quaranta.

Please note: Scholarships, in the form of travel reimbursement and lump sum contributions, are guaranteed within the limits specified in **Attachment 1**. Any changes to this provision will be made, if possible, in accordance with the available budget.

Art. 5 – Mobility and Application terms and deadline

The student must submit the application using the form provided in **Attachment 2 (“Application Form”)**, along with the following documents:

- **Learning Agreement for Traineeship (LAT)**, signed by the student, the coordinator at their home university, and the Scientific Coordinator of the TNE/NEW SEASON Project. (The LAT form is available in **Attachment 3**). The signature of the Host University (Prof. Giovanni Quaranta) may be added at a later stage, but must be obtained before the start of the mobility if the candidate is selected.
- **Study plan** including the list of completed and validated exams and the weighted grade average
- **Curriculum Vitae (CV)** and any other relevant certifications (e.g., language certificates, workshops, masterclasses, etc.)
- **Motivation letter**

All of the abovementioned documents must be sent via mail at the following addresses:

If you are a student from...	Please send the application to...
CHINA	minliu@lzu.edu.cn
VIETNAM	trinhtuanh@ueh.edu.vn
SOUTH KOREA	handonge@handong.edu

The subject of the email must be:

APPLICATION_name_lastname_TNENEWSEASON

and must be addressed to the designated Responsible Person indicated in the table above.

Please note: Any email with an incorrect subject line or recipient will be automatically discarded.

Each student is allowed to submit only one application. In the case of multiple submissions, only the last one will be considered; any previously submitted applications will be rejected and excluded from the evaluation process.

It is the responsibility of each candidate to obtain information about visa procedures before the mobility period in order to secure the necessary permit to enter the host country.

Art. 6 – Period and Mobility duration

The activities included in the scholarship awarded must be completed by **March 31, 2026**. All expenses incurred during the mobility must fall within this timeframe; otherwise, the candidate will lose the right to the scholarship.

The **minimum duration** is indicated in **Attachment 1**. However, the mobility period **cannot be less than 2 months**. This mandatory timeframe includes the **traineeship activities** and the participation in the **International Summer School** organized by UNIBAS *on Sustainable Economics and Inner Areas*, which will be held from **July 14 to 17, 2025**, and from **August 20 to 26, 2025**.

The total duration of the mobility period **must not exceed 3 months**.

Art. 7 – Selection and Evaluation

The selection process will be carried out in two phases:

Pre-selection by the Partner Institutions:

Applications will first be reviewed and pre-selected by the local coordinators at the partner universities in the candidates' home countries, as specified in the Article 5. This preliminary phase aims to assess eligibility and the overall quality of the applications, based on the criteria outlined in this call.

Final Selection by UNIBAS:

All pre-selected applications will be forwarded to the University of Basilicata (UNIBAS), which will carry out the final evaluation and selection. The final ranking list will be drawn up exclusively by UNIBAS based on merit, the quality of the application, and the availability of scholarships. The evaluation of the applications will be carried out by a dedicated Selection Committee appointed by the Director of the Department of Human, Scientific and Social Innovation (DiUSS) and composed of three members.

The evaluation criteria are:

- CV and Weighted Average of taken exams at home university
- Coherence between presented Learning Agreement for Traineeship (LAT) and TNE Project finalities
- Language proficiency (Italian and/or English)
- Previous working or studying experience abroad
- Motivation letter

Only candidates who pass the pre-selection phase will be considered for the final evaluation and inclusion in the ranking list.

The selection procedure will be managed as follows:

- **Applications must be submitted within 7 days from the publishing of the call on the official university website.** Applications received after the deadline will be automatically rejected;
- **Within 2 days from the closing of the call,** the Evaluation Committee of each university shall provide the UNIBAS Committee with a **provisional ranking** and the corresponding **evaluation report**;
- within 1 day from the reception of the provisional ranking, the UNIBAS Committee will publish the **final ranking list**, identifying the **8 (eight) students awarded the scholarship**, in accordance with the quotas allocated to each participating university.

The Commission report about the evaluating procedure will be published in the dedicated page for TNE/NEWSEASON at University website.

Once the Unibas Commission has verified all eligibility criteria and the Department has issued the Decree approving the selection process and including the final ranking list, the documentation will be forwarded to the Internationalization Service (incoming@unibas.it).

The final ranking list will be published in the section dedicated to the TNE/NEW SEASON project on the University website. Selected students will receive their registration token (access code) for the ESSE3 Cineca platform, along with the Registration and Application Guide for the platform.

Subsequently, the admitted candidates will receive an official invitation letter, which may be used as a supporting document in the visa application process. In any case, **students are not allowed to start their mobility period before signing the Grant Agreement.**

Art. 8 – Grant Agreement

The selected student will receive the **Grant Agreement** within five days of receiving the official invitation letter.

The Grant Agreements outline the rights and obligations of all parties involved - the student and the host partner - and defines the mobility period and duration, the total financial contribution granted, and the terms of reimbursement.

The **Grant Agreement**, which must first be signed by the student and subsequently by the designated representative(s) of UNIBAS, will be sent to the selected student via the email address newseason.tnc@unibas.it to the email address provided by the candidate during the application process. The agreement becomes effective only when signed by both parties involved (the student and UNIBAS).

The mobility must be started only after the contract will be signed by all parties involved.

Art. 9 – Payment methods

The financial contribution is provided as follows:

- Upon arrival in Italy at the hosting institution (UNIBAS), the student will receive reimbursement for flight tickets and transportation fees incurred, within the expense limits established by the TNE/NEWSEASON project, as reported in the Art. 4.
- A monthly allowance of € 850.00, covering board and lodging, local transportation, and daily expenses during the stay.

The detailed payment methods will be clearly explained in the Grant Agreement document each selected student will receive.

The allowed financial support is calculated based on the days of mobility indicated by the students in the LAT. The calculation is done by the Responsible Person for TNE, prof. Giovanni Quaranta and the system used for this purpose considers the time-frame of 30 days (commercial year of 360 days) regardless of the effective duration of the month. In cases of partial months, the scholarship amount will be calculated based on the actual number of days spent abroad, as certified by UNIBAS. In case of abandonment, withdrawal, or revocation, the student must return the entire amount granted.

At least 3 to 5 working days before the planned departure the student must send an email with the Final Report detailing the activities carried out during the traineeship and the Learning agreement for traineeship to NEWSEASON.TNE@unibas.it and must fill in an **Evaluation Survey**. The Responsible for the Project will provide students with the confirmation of stay and the Traineeship certificate.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to calculate the effective duration of the mobility period, only the Traineeship Certificate and the Certificate of stay will be considered valid. If these documents show a different date than the one in the Grant Agreement, the scholarship will be recalculated as to assess a different contribution or the partial restitution of the scholarship from the student to the Hosting University (UNIBAS). If the effective period appears to exceed the agreed period, there will be no additional financial contribution allowed to the student.

Art. 10 – Mobility Period and Mobility Extension

The PNRR/TNE mobility period must be between **2 and 3 months** and it must be concluded within **31/03/2026**.

It is possible to submit a request for mobility extension but, in any case, the mobility must end before **31/03/2026**. Interested students must submit the request directly to the home University and to the Responsible Person for the TNE/NEW SEASON project. The Extension request must be sent by mail at newseason.tne@unibas.it at least one month before the original deadline as agreed within the Grant Agreement.

Art. 11 – Mobility experience validation

The TNE/NEWSEASON mobility can be recognized as traineeship activities as regulated by university regulations and documented by the LAT and the Traineeship Certificate. The activities undertaken during the International Summer School can be recognized as **Open Badge activities** by both universities: the sending institution and the hosting institution.

The validation of the traineeship done at UNIBAS is left to the evaluating commission at the sending Institution for each selected candidate.

Art. 10 - Insurance and Health Coverage

Each institution participating in the NEW SEASON project is responsible for ensuring that its students have adequate accident and civil liability insurance for the duration of their mobility, in accordance with Italian legislation. However, **health insurance is not included**. Students must independently secure adequate medical coverage for the mobility period if not already covered by international agreements or personal insurance policies. It is particularly important to verify the health insurance requirements for entry and stay in Italy by contacting the Italian Embassy or Consulate in their home country for visa and insurance information, as they may need to obtain additional coverage or register with the Italian National Health Service (SSN) upon arrival, depending on the length and type of their mobility period. Further information are available on the Internationalization Service website (<https://internazionale.unibas.it/site/home/discover-university/info-package---what-you-need-to-know.html>, "general info" section) and on the Ministry of Health website (<https://www.salute.gov.it/new/it/tema/assistenza-sanitaria-paesi-extra-ue/assistenza-ai-cittadini-dei-paesi-extra-ue-italia/>).

The University of Basilicata provides incoming students with personal accidents and third-party liability insurances during the performance of institutional activities. The insurance conditions are

available in Italian on the Internationalization Service website at the following page: <https://internazionale.unibas.it/site/home/opportunita-in-uscita/studenti/erasmus-mobilita-per-traineeship/articolo9502261.html>. For further information or in case of need, please contact the Supplies and Services Office (innocenzo.cinefra@unibas.it).

Art. 11 - Data protection and Privacy Notice

The provision of personal data is mandatory in order to participate in the program, as it is essential for the management of the entire mobility procedure.

In accordance with Article 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR) and Legislative Decree No. 196/2003, the personal data provided will be processed in compliance with applicable legislation and confidentiality obligations. Processing will be carried out in line with the principles of lawfulness, fairness, and transparency, using both paper and electronic tools. The University of Basilicata ensures the confidentiality of all information and will use the data solely for purposes related to and necessary for participation in the program.

Further information regarding the processing of personal data in the context of international mobility is available on the University's official website under the "*Protezione Dati Personali – Privacy*" (<https://portale.unibas.it/site/home/riferimenti/protezione-dati/articolo6554.html>).

Participants may exercise the rights set out in Articles 15–22 of the GDPR (including access, rectification, erasure, restriction of processing, and objection) by contacting the University of Basilicata.

Data Controller:

University of Basilicata, Via Nazario Sauro 85, 85100 Potenza, Italy

Email: rpd@unibas.it

If the data subject's request is not satisfactorily addressed, they may assert their rights by filing a complaint either with the Italian Data Protection Authority (*Garante per la Protezione dei Dati Personali*) or through the competent Judicial Authority. Please note that initiating legal action excludes the possibility of filing a complaint with the Authority at a later stage.

Art. 12 - Person in charge of the procedure

In accordance with Law no. 241/90 and subsequent amendments and additions and the University Regulations on administrative procedures, the person in charge of the procedure is Dr. Violetta Pedalino (violetta.pedalino@unibas.it).

Art. 12 - Information and Communication

For further information and any communication, students must write to the email address newseason.tnc@unibas.it. Requests sent to other email addresses will not be accepted or processed.

Students are required to use exclusively the email address provided during the application process or their institutional email address (name.surname@studenti.unibas.it, or name.surname@unibas.it for doctoral students, once assigned by Unibas). Consequently, any communication sent from email addresses other than those specified above will not be accepted.

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