CALL NO. 5/2016 FOR APPLICATIONS FOR A RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
(in accordance with Article 22, Law 240/2010)

THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERDEPARTMENTAL CENTRE FOR MIND/BRAIN SCIENCES

- Having seen the University of Trento’s Statutes issued with Reg. Decree no. 167 of 23.04.2012;
- Having seen article 2 of Law no. 240/2010 governing the awarding of research fellowships by the University;
- Having seen the Regulations for the awarding of research fellowships as set out in Law no. 240/2010 (issued with Reg. Decree n. 384 dd. 04.07.2013);
- Given the resolution agreed by the CIMeC Board on February 11th, 2016, to approve a research project with a gross annual budget of € 19.370,00, within the Project “Mind, Brain, and Society”, Project Leader: prof. Alfonso Caramazza;
- Given the availability of finance from fund n. 40300285 of the 2016 budget;
- Considering it appropriate to issue a call for applications for the award of a research fellowship;
- All the above taken into consideration;

SETS OUT

Article 1 - Description
A selection based on qualifications and possible interview is open to award one research fellowship at the Interdepartmental Centre for Mind/Brain Sciences (CIMeC).

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<th>Scientific/disciplinary area</th>
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<td>Principal Investigator (Tutor):</td>
<td>prof. Alfonso Caramazza</td>
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<td>Research title:</td>
<td>The conceptual representation of actions and objects in the brain</td>
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<td>Research goals:</td>
<td>Collaboration in the research project “The conceptual representation of actions and objects in the brain”. Specifically, the tasks will consist in helping to plan the study; contribute to the acquisition and analysis of experimental data with functional magnetic resonance imaging; development of experimental paradigms; management and development of behavioral studies.</td>
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<td>Gross fellowship award</td>
<td>€ 19.370,00/year paid in end-of-the-month installments</td>
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<td>Total cost (including contributions)</td>
<td>€ 23.466,76 /year</td>
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<td>Duration of the fellowship:</td>
<td>12 months (presumably from March 2016)</td>
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Article 2 - Requirements
Applicants must fulfil the following requirements, on pain of exclusion, in order to participate in the selection:
a) a Master degree in Psychology, Cognitive neuroscience or related discipline is requested, awarded by an Italian university or a foreign one and recognised as equivalent to the Italian qualification by the assessment committee for the sole purposes of this selection procedure;

The candidate should match the following profile:
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b) appropriate scientific and professional experience required to carry out the research described in article 1;
c) multi-year (at least 2) research experience with functional magnetic resonance imaging (supported by at least one publication);
d) experience in the realization of experimental material using specialized software for use in magnetic resonance;
e) excellent Italian and English language skills.

N.B. Only for those applicants who have had research assignment contracts with Italian academic institutions since 2011

Art. 22 of law 240/2010 foresees that “the total duration of contracts drawn up according to the present article, including possible renewals, cannot exceed the total of four years” extended for a further two years (for a total of 6 years) according to art. 6, comma 2-bis, of the legislative Decree n. 192 of 31.12.2014, converted with modifications into Law n. 11 of 27.02.2015. Thus, applications by candidates who have already carried out research contracts according to art. 22 of law 240/2010 will be excluded from this call if the prior duration of such contracts does not entitle them to fulfilling the total duration of the contract related to this call.

Article 3 – Application Procedure

Applications for this selection, addressed to the Director of CIMeC, should be made as described in this Call and delivered in one of the following ways:

a. by hand to:
   - the CIMeC Administration Office (Monday to Friday, 9am to 12pm):
     Application to the CIMeC call n. 5/2016
     Università degli Studi di Trento a Rovereto
     Centro Interdipartimentale Mente/Cervello
     Palazzo Fedrigotti
     Corso Bettini 31
     38068 Rovereto (TN)
   - the Ufficio Protocollo Centrale (Monday to Friday, 9am to 12.30pm)
     Application to the CIMeC call n. 5/2016
     Università degli Studi di Trento
     Ufficio Protocollo Centrale
     Via Calepina, 14 38122 TRENTO

b. by post (or courier service), recorded delivery with acknowledgement of receipt, to:
   Application to the CIMeC call n. 5/2016
   Università degli Studi di Trento
   Ufficio Protocollo Centrale
   Via Calepina, 14 38122 TRENTO

b. transmitted by Certified Mail to the following address: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; Please specify in the subject the following reference: Application for participation in the Announcement of selection for a research fellowship "CIMeC" n. 5/2016

by midday on March 8, 2016. Late submissions will not be considered. Only those postal applications received by this date will be accepted, regardless of the date of dispatch.

Applications do not require a revenue stamp.

The candidate must state clearly and precisely in the application, under his/her own responsibility:
- name(s) and surname, age, date and place of birth, nationality, place of residence and address for correspondence (specifying the postal code and, if possible, a contact telephone number);
- that s/he satisfies all the requirements described in article 2 of this Call, and that s/he is aware of and is not ineligible under any of the restrictions described in article 7 of this Call;
that s/he will communicate immediately any changes to the contact details provided in the application

Candidates must attach the following documents to their application:
• a scientific/professional CV, signed and dated by the candidate, providing evidence of possession of the skills required to carry out the research in European model or based on the European CV model (among the attachments on the website);
• a list of publications with the link to where they can be found online (in the absence of this, attach a copy of the texts), certificates or other qualifications that may provide further evidence of the candidate’s suitability for this research project (a list of qualifications and publications, signed and dated, must be included);
• a copy of the degree certificate or diploma;
• Photocopy of a valid identity document (ID card or passport).

The Administration accepts no responsibility for lost applications or documents where this is due to the applicant having provided incorrect contact details or having failed or delayed in notifying any changes to these details, or where this is due to problems with postal delivery not attributable to the Administration.

Candidates may request the return of any publications attached to the application, at their own cost and within three months of the final selection; after this period the Administration will no longer be held responsible for these documents.

Article 4 – Selection Committee and selection procedure
The Selection Committee is appointed by the director of the Center, and is composed of three faculty members, lecturers and researchers, and/or experts in the area (among which the Principal Investigator).

The evaluation criteria are determined by this Committee.

The selection process is intended to assess the applicant’s previous education, experience and approach to research, and comparatively assess all candidates’ research profiles, scientific/professional curricula and qualifications. It includes:
• the assessment of the professional and scientific CV and the submitted qualifications
• a potential interview on the research program and on the presented qualifications, with specific focus on the main scientific topics related to the research program described in art. 1.

The maximum score is 100 points (only in case of oral interview) divided as follows:
• 50 points for candidate qualifications;
• 50 points for the interview.

In the case of an interview, the final score will be the sum of the two scores.

Only candidates obtaining at least 35 points in the assessment of qualifications will be admitted for interview. The interview is considered as “passed” if the applicant obtains at least 35 points.

At the end of the assessment of the candidates’ qualifications, the Selection Committee may decide not to hold interviews but instead to rank the accepted candidates solely according to their qualifications.

The list of applicants who have passed the selection process based on qualifications will be published by 4 pm on March 14, 2016 on the website of CIoMeC (www.cimec.unitn.it). If the Selection Committee decides to hold interviews, these will be held on March 17, 2016 at 2.30 pm at CIoMeC – Corso Bettini, 31 – 38068 Rovereto (TN) – Meeting Room, 2nd floor.

The publication of this list is equivalent to notification by law for the invitation to the interview. Not attending the interview will be considered as renouncing the call.

The list will be published on the University and Centre website: http://web.unitn.it/en/node/29528

The Selection Committee will also prepare official minutes of the selection process. The Committee’s decision is final.
Participation and listing in the final ranking of the selection don’t obligate CIMeC to draw up a contract.

**Article 5 – Awarding of the Fellowship**
The director will, at his discretion, approve the selection procedure and appointment of the winning candidate. The highest ranked candidate will be sent written notification of award of the fellowship. The candidate must, on pain of forfeiture, give notice of the acceptance of the fellowship, within a maximum of 5 days of receipt of the aforementioned notification. If the candidate does not send the acceptance within the period mentioned above, s/he will surrender his/her entitlement to the fellowship.

If the winning candidate is a non-EU citizen, the contract will be signed after checking that it complies with the Italian legislation on immigration.

If the selected candidate withdraws before starting research activities, the fellowship will be awarded to the next ranked candidate.

The fellowship will be paid in instalments at the end of each month.

**Article 6 – Fellowship obligations**
The recipient of the fellowship is required to carry out the duties stipulated in his/her contract and in the *Regulations regarding research fellowships as set out in Article 22, Law 240/2010 (issued with Reg. Decree n. 384 dd. 04.07.2013)* on pain of revocation of the contract.

The fellow’s duties, as set out in the contract, will be carried out under the supervision of the Principal Investigator (prof. Alfonso Caramazza), who will also monitor the fellow’s progress. These duties must have a specific research orientation.

The holder of the fellowship is required to present the CIMeC Board with a final report, approved by the Principal Investigator (prof. Alfonso Caramazza), detailing the research carried out and the results obtained.

**Article 7 – Ineligibility and Incompatibility with other Funding**
Permanent staff of the following institutions are not eligible for this fellowship: universities, institutions and public bodies engaged in research and experimentation, the National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA), the Italian Space Agency (ASI), and institutions which award an advanced specialised scientific degree equivalent to a research doctorate under the terms of Article 74, paragraph 4, of Presidential Decree 382/1980. Relatives (up to the fourth degree) of: faculty members of CIMeC, the Rector, the Director General, members of the University’s Administrative Council, are also excluded from participation.

Also excluded from participation are any persons who have carried out research under Article 22 of Law 240/2010 for a total period exceeding four years, including extensions, extended for a further two years (for a total of 6 years), but excluding periods in which an award coincided with doctoral studies up to the maximum legal time limit of the course. Under no circumstances may the total duration of a contract for a fellowship awarded under Article 22, Law 240/2010, or of a fixed-term contract for a Researcher under Article 24, Law 240/2010, exceed 14 years with a given individual, even if discontinuous and even where the contract has been drawn up with other universities, private, state or online, or with organisations as per Article 22, paragraph 1 of Law 240/2010.

In accordance with current regulations, periods of maternity leave or sick leave do not count as part of the duration of the contract.

The fellowship cannot be undertaken at the same time as a course of study for a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, grant-supported doctoral research or a medical specialisation, whether in Italy or abroad.

The fellowship described in this Call cannot be combined with:

- other grants of any kind, with the exception of those awarded by national or foreign institutions for the purposes of integrating the researcher’s activities with work experience abroad;
- other similar research contracts, even with other universities.
Art. 8 – Health care
Before arriving in Italy, foreign Fellows of EU citizenship are responsible for obtaining health insurance, which fulfils the requirements of current legislation pertaining to foreign students during their stay in Italy. This can be done in one of the following ways:

1. extension of the health cover provided in the student’s country of origin (as envisaged, for instance, by bilateral agreements or, in the case of EU citizens, by the European Health Insurance Card);
2. through a private health insurance company.

CIMeC may reimburse up to 1,800 Euros per annum (after taxes, if applicable) towards health costs, upon application by the Fellow, which must be accompanied by documentation for the expenses incurred. This contribution will be disbursed only if the Fellow’s country of origin cannot provide her/him with complete health cover.

Foreign Fellows, of non-EU citizenship, may register with the Italian National Health System at CIMeC’s expense.

Art. 9 – Termination, withdrawal
Any serious breach of contract on the part of the fellow, as detailed in Article 1460 of the Civil Code, justifiably reported by the Principal Investigator (Tutor) to the Director of the Centre, will be considered grounds for termination of the contract.

The fellow is required to give at least 30 days notice of withdrawal from the contract. The regulations set out in Article 22, paragraph 6, Law 240/2010 regarding tax and social security contributions apply to the holder of the fellowship.

The University provides accident and civil liability insurance cover.
For any other matters not specified in this Call, please refer to the provisions contained in Law 240/2010 and the Regulations for research fellows according to Article 22, Law 240/2010 (issued with Reg. Decree n. 384 dd. 04.07.2013), which has been adopted by this University for the awarding of research fellowships.

Art. 10 – Personal Data
In accordance with Article 13 of Leg. Decree no. 196 of 30.06.2003 ("Code regarding the protection of personal data"), personal data provided by candidates will be used exclusively for the purposes of this selection and will be processed (manually or electronically) in accordance with current regulations and confidentiality requirements.
The Data Controller is the University of Trento, with registered offices in Via Calepina 14, 38122 Trento (TN).
Candidates wishing to obtain further information or to exercise their rights under Article 7 of Leg. Decree 196/2003, may contact the following numbers: tel +39 0464 808693, fax +39 0461 288690.

Rovereto, February 17, 2016
Signed by the Director
Prof. Massimo Turatto