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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR No. 20 PLACES IN THE WINTER SCHOOLS ON “VULNERABILITY”: FOUNDATIONS, PATTERNS, CRITIQUES”

The Human Rights Centre “Antonio Papisca” - University of Padova, with the financial support of the Padova University under the “Shaping a World-Class University - year 2023” programme, launches a call for a maximum of 20 places in the Winter School on “Vulnerability”: foundations, patterns, critiques” (Polo Beato Pellegrino, via Beato Pellegrino n. 28 Padova, 14 - 18 November 2023).

Art. 1. Establishment, location, language, and contents

The Winter School (W.S.) in “Vulnerability”: foundations, patterns, critiques” is the third edition of the series on “Normativity and Reality of Human Rights”, organised by the Human Rights Centre “Antonio Papisca” of the University of Padova in cooperation with:

- School of Advanced Studies, University of London;
- European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy University of Graz;
- Institute of International Studies University of Wrocław;
- Institut des Droits de l'Homme, Université Catholique de Lyon;
- School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg.

The W.S. activities will be held at the center's headquarters via Beato Pellegrino, 28 Padova. The W.S. is a residential programme: participants are invited to find accommodation in Padova. Some sessions may be blended.

English is the working language.

The W.S. is articulated into 4 modules. Each module generally includes one or two key lectures, a panel discussion, a visit to significant locations in the city of Padova and meeting with stakeholders. The final day includes a practical workshop.

This is the provisional programme:

Module 1 - Framing “Vulnerability” from the perspective of human rights

(Tuesday, 14 November 2023) Salutations. Short introduction, key-note speeches and discussion.

Module 2: “Vulnerable population” in armed conflicts and humanitarian crises”

(Wednesday, 15 November 2023) Key-note speeches; discussion; introduction of participants and of their ongoing research projects.

Module 3: “Vulnerable population” in migrations”

(Thursday, 16 November 2023) Key-note speeches; discussion; visit to the Anti-Violence Centre, Padova.

Module 4: Ecosystems' vulnerability and human-caused disruptive changes

(Friday, 17 November 2023) Key-note speeches; discussion; panel discussion.

Final Workshop and closing.

(Saturday, 18 November 2023) Workshop; Concluding remarks, diploma award; visit to the Padua Botanical Garden (optional).

The last versions of the programme will be available at this [link](#).

Art. 2. Academic quality and ECTS credits

Lecturers include scholars from the board of the Doctorate in Human Rights, Society and Multi-level Governance from the partner universities, and from other universities and research centres, as well as experts and practitioners.

Full participation entitles the awarding of 6 ECTS credits. A certificate of participation will be produced.

Art. 3. Admission requirements

Admissible participants must meet any the following criteria:

- a. Academic and professional qualifications:
 - To hold a Master's degree in any relevant field;
 - To be enrolled in a PhD programme;
 - To be enrolled in any master's degree programme;
 - To have a collaborative or employment contract with an organisations working in the field of human rights.
- b. Linguistic qualifications:
 - To hold a certificate of B2 or higher level of proficiency in English awarded by a recognised institution (this item does not apply to applicants having English as their first language).

Art. 4. Application procedure

To participate in this selection, applicants must fill out the [application form](#) available at this [link](#) **by 1.00 pm on October 6, 2023** and send it with the following documents to the e-mail address centro.dirittiumani@unipd.it:

1. a valid ID card;
2. a copy of the language certificate or other document attesting the; applicant's proficiency in the English language as specified in art. 3 (b);
3. a document certifying the applicant's academic enrolment, if applicable;
4. a motivation letter in English (up to 1500 characters, with spaces);
5. an update CV;
6. any additional qualifications which may be relevant to the assessment.

Art. 5. Selection procedure and publication of the ranking list

A Committee to evaluate the applications and draw the ranking will be appointed by the President of the Human Rights Centre "Antonio Papisca" of the University of Padova.

Applicants are ranked in accordance with the following criteria and relative points:

- CV (including research/work experience, publications, etc.): up to 30 points
- Field of study/expertise: up to 30 points
- Motivation statement: up to 30 points
- proficiency in English: up to 10 points.

A minimum of 60 points is required for admission.

The Committee will also implement criteria of nondiscrimination and diversity, including in the applicants' academic background.

Should the Committee deem it necessary, a face-to-face or online interview may be arranged; if this is the case, candidates will be notified of the time and place of the interview. Failure to attend the interview will result in the automatic exclusion of the candidate from the selection.

Once the Committee has fulfilled its task, the ranking list of admitted candidates will be published on the Human Rights Centre's website (https://bit.ly/humanrights_winterschool23) on the 13th of October 2023.

Should a selected candidate withdraw, the following eligible candidate on the ranking list shall be awarded the place.

Art. 6. Economic provisions

There are no tuition fees. The University of Padua will provide for lunches and coffee breaks from Tuesday afternoon to Saturday 18. For participation in the W.S. there is no scholarship or grant provided by the University of Padova.

For further information:

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