

Call for tenders issued by the Italien-Zentrum to financially support young scientists at the University of Innsbruck

Tranche 2021/2022

In order to promote virtual and physical research exchange within Italy and Austria, the Italien-Zentrum of the University of Innsbruck offers grants for young postgraduate researchers at the University of Innsbruck. The funding can be used to:

- initiate contact with scholars and develop research projects in cooperation with international higher education institutions and other research institutes (with at least one Italian university or research institute);
- conduct short research periods at universities and other Italian institutes with a close research focus (such as libraries, archives, research centres etc.);
- use digital sources with fee-based access of Italian universities and other Italian institutions (e.g. archives, museums);
- participate in virtual or physical conferences and congresses by presenting their own research project.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted until **30.06.2021**.

Preconditions:

- the candidate is regularly enrolled or employed at the University of Innsbruck
- a completed postgraduate or doctoral degree¹
- a concrete research project that requires a stay in Italy.

Please note the following guidelines for the awarding of grants for the tranche 2021/2022²:

- the cooperation relationship with at least one Italian university or institution must exist;
- the amount of funding depends on the application, as well as the quality of the research activity;
- travel (train 2nd class) and accommodation expenses can be covered by the grant, as long as there are no pandemic-related travel restrictions. Kilometre allowance cannot be reimbursed;

¹ At the time of submission, the doctoral degree cannot date back to more than 10 years. Child-rearing (two years for each child), family leave (usually care leave) and long serious illnesses, that led to a career interruption, are taken into account. The submission date is used to determine the ten-year period.

² Further details can be found in the guide at: https://www.uibk.ac.at/italienzentrum/forschung/foerderungen/en_guide-lines_2021_22.pdf

- daily rates are not covered by the grant;
- partial costs for online activities can be covered (e.g. digitization costs, fee-based access to Italian archives and collections). However, costs associated with software and hardware purchase are not refundable;
- cost of digitizing archive material can be reimbursed within the limits of the financial resources (e.g. maps, photographs, etc.);
- within this tranche the research activity must be carried out by the 18.06.2022; the settlement of costs must be submitted by the 25.06.2022.

After the short-term research stay, a **report** in German, in English or in Italian (at least 1.500 words with spaces) must be submitted along with the **settlement of costs**.

The standards and guidelines described here only apply to the tranche 2021/2022 and can be redefined in the following years depending on the budget situation.

Application form:

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/italienzentrum/forschung/forschende.html.en>

Please sign the form and send a scanned copy **by e-mail**.

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