

**Announcement for admission competition to the
International Research Doctorate in:**

**"THE ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES"
XXIV Cycle - Academic Year 2008-09**

Announcement Deadline: 15th October 2008

Any alterations to the competition date and/or integrations to this announcement will
be published at the following website address:
<http://www.lum.it>

Università LUM Jean Monnet - Casamassima (BARI)

POST GRADUATE EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH OFFICE

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D.R. n. 1050/2008

THE RECTOR

Having regard to art. 4 of Italian law n. 210 of 3rd July 1998 about Regulations on
Research Doctorates;

Having regard to Ministerial Decree n. 224 of 30th April 1999 on Research
Doctorates;

Having regard to the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates" issued with
D.R. n. 1040/08 of 13th June 2008

Having regard to the resolution taken by the Board of Administration of 9th July 2008;

Having considered the opinion of the Evaluation Group of 13th June 2008 with special
reference to the existence of the necessary requirements

DECREES

Art. 1

A public selection process is announced, by Università LUM Jean Monnet-
Casamassima (BARI), for the admission to the International Research Doctorate in
"The Economics and Management of Natural Resources", XXIV Cycle, - A.Y.
2008/2009-;

Selection procedures for the admission of candidates to the above mentioned
International Research Doctorate and the expiry dates for the presentation of the
applications to the selection process can be found in the table below.

Candidates who have enrolled on the Research Doctorate are obliged to take part in
the specific research activities of the Course.

The number of scholarships could increase if further funds are made available by public or private bodies after the publication of the present announcement, but within the publication date of the general merit-based ranking.

Any increase in the number of scholarships – subject to prior request made by the Admission Committee – will determine a corresponding increase in the number of places without scholarships.

The Research Doctorate Course will be activated, following completion of the competition, if a minimum number of 6 enrolled students is reached.

The present announcement serves as notice to all intents and purposes. As a consequence, candidates will not receive any written communication regarding the dates of the competition or enrolment deadlines.

International Research Doctorate in THE ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Website of the doctorate: <http://www.lum.it>

Main Office	Università LUM Jean Monnet – Casamassima (Bari)
Partner Universities	Megatrend University of Beograd (Serbia) and Alma Mater University of Sibiu (Romania)
Course duration:	3 years
Number of Places Available:	12
Scholarships:	6
Coordinator:	Prof. Dominick Salvatore – Università LUM Jean Monnet – Casamassima (Bari)

Research fields:

Statistics and Applied Econometrics	
International Economics and Natural Resources	
European Union and natural resources	
Management of natural resources	
Banking and finance	
Strategic Management of natural resources	
Negotiations and Contracts	
Exploration, production and transport processes	

Art. 2.

Admission requirements

Any candidate may be admitted to the selection process, without restriction as to age or citizenship, who holds a *laurea* degree (an old system four year university degree), before the announcement deadline in accordance with Italian law n. 341/90 or a Second level specialization degree in accordance with Italian law Decree M.D. 509/99 or a Magisterial degree (five year degree course) in accordance with Italian law Decree M.D. 270/04, in Economics, Law, Managerial Engineering, Geological Sciences or equivalent University degrees, or similar foreign academic qualifications.

Those who hold a degree, obtained in a foreign University, which hasn't been recognized as equivalent to one of the above mentioned degrees awarded by Italian Universities, must apply for the declaration of equivalence to the sole end of admittance to the competition of the Research Doctorate and must enclose any useful document in order to enable the Academic Board to make an appropriate assessment of the degree in question (Annex 1).

Art. 3

Presentation of the admission applications

The application form, drawn up according to the facsimile attached to the present announcement, available on the website of the University www.lum.it, must reach the Università LUM Jean Monnet – S.S. 100 Km. 18 70010 Casamassima – Bari (Italia) – by 15th October 2008, through one of the following ways:

1. -delivered by hand to the Administration Office of this University – Dott.ssa Giulia GAZZILLI, S.S. 100 Km. 18 – 70010 Casamassima (BARI) - Italia - from Monday to Friday, from 10,00 to 12,30;
2. -sent by registered letter with reception note to the following address: For the Attention of the Rector – Università LUM Jean Monnet – S.S: 100 Km. 18 – CAP 70010 CASAMASSIMA (BARI) – ITALIA; to this end the stamp of the receiving post office will act as proof.

The following words "Admission Competition to the International Research Doctorate in The economics and management of natural resources -XXIV Cycle" must be written on the envelope containing the application form for the participation.

Candidates will not be admitted unless they have declared under their own responsibility, the following information on their application form:

- a) their surname and name, date and place of birth, tax code, citizenship, place of residence, contact address chosen at the aims of the selection process, including post code, telephone number and e-mail address;
- b) Curriculum vitae et studiorum duly signed;
- c) their degree, specifying when (date) and where (University) it was awarded, or equivalent degree obtained abroad. Those who hold a degree, obtained in a foreign University, which hasn't been recognized as equivalent to one of the above mentioned degrees awarded by Italian Universities, must ask for the declaration of equivalence with the sole end of admittance to the competition for the Research Doctorate. To this end, it is necessary to enclose the translated and legalised degree certification containing certified transcripts of records of all examinations taken by the candidates and their study plan. Furthermore, candidates should enclose any other documents, translated and legalised, that they consider useful for the above mentioned declaration of equivalence (Annex 1);
- d) An outline (in English) of their Research Project (max 10,000 characters);
- e) a commitment to attend the Doctoral course full-time, at all the partner Universities, in accordance with the procedures set out by the Academic Board.
- f) their level of knowledge of the English language and of any other foreign languages (satisfactory, good, excellent)
- g) information about any change of residence or contact address chosen for the selection process.

People who have disabilities should specify on the application form, according to current regulations, any aid they require and/or any request for additional time to complete the selection examination.

The University Administration will accept no liability for communication problems due to candidates providing inaccurate details of their residence or contact address, or to any delay in their notifying the Administration of any changes to said details, or to failings of the postal or telegraphic services beyond the Administration's control.

Art. 4

Documents written in a foreign language

All documents written in English must be translated and legalised by the appropriate qualified Italian diplomatic or consular representatives abroad and must comply with the rules in force in that State.

Art. 5

Selection

The Research Doctorate entrance examination consists of a written exam and an oral exam.

The aim of the entrance examination is to assess the candidates' aptitude for scientific research.

Entrance Examination Timetable

Description	Date	Place	Hour
Written Exam	20th November 2008	Università LUM Jean Monnet – Casamassima (Bari) Italia	10.00 a.m.
Oral exam	27th November 2008	Università LUM Jean Monnet – Casamassima (Bari) Italia	10.00 a.m.

All the entrance examinations will be held in English.

The written exam will be on a topic chosen by the candidate from among the subjects of the main Research Fields in art. 1.

The oral exam will involve both the discussion of the written exam and the research project presented by the candidate.

In order to be admitted to the entrance examination, candidates are expected to provide a valid identification document.

Candidates who are absent on the day of the entrance examination, for whatever reason, will be deemed to have withdrawn their application.

Art. 6

Examining Board

The Examining Board appointed by the Rector, on the advice of the Academic Board, will be composed of 5 members, at least 3 of which are to be appointed from among the full professors, associate professors and researchers of the Università LUM Jean Monnet. The Chairman will be chosen from among them.

Art. 7

Evaluation

The Examining Board can award each candidate a maximum of 60 points for each of the two exams.

Candidates who pass the written exam with a minimum of 40 points are admitted to the oral exam. The pass mark at the oral exam is 40. After the correction of the written exams and at the end of the oral exams, the Examining Board draws up a list

of candidates examined, specifying the marks obtained by the candidates for each exam. The list, signed by the Chairman and by the Secretary of the Examining Board, will be posted, the same day, on the notice board of the University Rector's Office. Having held the entrance examinations, the Examining Board will draw up the general merit-based ranking according to the sum of the marks obtained by each candidate in the written and oral exams (starting from the highest). The general merit-based ranking will be approved by Rector's Decree and published on the notice board of the Università LUM Jean Monnet – S.S. 100 Km. 18, CAP 70010 Casamassima – (Bari)-Italia and on the website of the above mentioned University. Winners will be notified by registered letter with reception note.

Art. 8

Admission

Candidates will be admitted to the Doctorate Course according to the ranking list and up to the number of available places established for the Doctorate. In cases of equal merit, precedence will be given to the youngest candidate. Successful candidates will be excluded if their acceptance is not received within 15 days of the publication of the competition results on the website. If a successful candidate forfeits his/her right to a position before the beginning of the course, the next candidate in the rankings will be offered the place, according to the ranking list order.

Art. 9

Awarding

Admitted candidates must deliver their personal data and their application form for enrolment, in person or by mail, to the Administrative Office of this University, on plain, unstamped paper, within 15 days of the date of publication. They should also include the following declarations:

- a) self-certification of citizenship;
- b) self-certification of the University degree with official transcripts of records;
- c) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not enrolled on any University course and has no intention of doing so for the legal duration of the Doctorate course;
- d) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not enrolled on any Specializing Courses, and in cases where he/she has already done so the candidate agrees to suspend or interrupt the course before the Doctorate course begins.
- e) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not benefited from previous Doctorate scholarships
- f) declaration in which the candidate states whether or not he/she is a State employee.

Candidates must enclose a photocopy of a valid identity document, duly signed, and two passport-size photographs with their application form.

Art. 10

Enrolment fee

Doctorate students are expected to pay a contribution of € 1.200 per annum. This does not apply to scholarship winners. The contribution must be paid, by Bank transfer, to the Bank indicated in the registered letter notifying admission to the Doctorate course.

Art. 11

Scholarships

Candidates admitted to the Doctorate Course according to the ranking list will benefit from the scholarships up to the number of scholarships available. In cases of equal merit, precedence will be given to the youngest candidate. The amount of the scholarship is € 13.638,47 including National Insurance contributions plus € 6.819,23 for research periods abroad (50% of the annual amount of the scholarship, as provided by Italian Law). Scholarships are paid every two months, ex post.

Scholarships are confirmed for the following Academic Year if the Academic Board validates the results achieved by the PhD students. Scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships awarded for the same purpose. Those who benefited from a Doctorate scholarship, even for only one year, cannot benefit from a further scholarship.

Art. 12

PhD students duties.

Enrolled students must attend the Doctorate courses held at the partner universities, in accordance with the procedures established by the Academic Board and must carry out their research studies and activities regularly within the structures intended for that specific aim, in accordance with the procedures established by the Academic Board. The attendance of the Doctorate Programme can be suspended in the following cases, according to the Academic Board deliberation:

- maternity;
- military service or civil service;
- serious, documented illness;

The Academic Board may exclude Doctorate Students in the following cases:

- negative assessment by the Academic Board of the results achieved during the academic year;
- outside working activity carried out by the Phd student without the prior authorization of the Academic Board;
- prolonged and unjustified absence;

In the aforementioned cases, the scholarship will be suspended and the scholarship holder will be obliged to pay back all sums received during the year to which the disciplinary action relates.

Art. 13

Evaluation of research activities

At the end of each Academic year, the PhD students must present the Academic Board with a detailed report on the activities and research carried out. The Academic Board will gather and evaluate the reports presented and, on the basis of the student's diligence and proven research activity, will recommend, to the Rector, admission to the next year of the Doctorate Programme or exclusion from the course or.

Art. 14

Doctorate Degree

The Doctorate Degree, awarded by the Rector of Università LUM Jean Monnet, will be obtained following successful completion of the final examination. The examination can be repeated only once.

For the final examination, on the advice of the Academic Board, the Rector will appoint a special Examining Board, composed of three effective members and three supply members chosen from among the professors who have specific knowledge in one of the fields of research of the Doctorate, in accordance with art.6, paragraph 5 of the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates"

Art. 15

Person Responsible for the Procedure

The person responsible for the procedure is Dott.ssa Giulia GAZZILLI (Tel: 0039-0806978223 or 0039-0806978111; Fax: 0039-0806977122; e-mail: gazzilli@lum.it)

Art. 16

Processing of Personal Data

Pursuant to Legislative Decree n. 196 of 30th June 2003 (Italian Personal data protection Code), the University Administration will use the personal data supplied by the candidates in order to fulfil the selection procedures and for institutional reasons only.

Art. 17

Referral Regulations

For any matters not considered in the present announcement, reference will be made to the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates" contained in Decree n. 1040/09. This announcement will be published in the Italian Republic Official Gazette .

Casamassima, 30th July 2008

THE DIRECTOR

THE RECTOR

To the Academic Board of the International Research Doctorate in "The Economics and Management of Natural Resources"

I The undersigned _____
(Title, First Name and Surname)

Tax Code _____

Nationality _____

Place of birth _____

In the Province of _____ Country _____

Date of birth _____ resident in _____

In the Province of _____ Country _____

Permanent Address _____

Post Code _____

Home Telephone _____ Mobile Phone Number _____

e-mail _____

Contact address for the purposes of the selection process

City _____

Province of _____ Country _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

REQUEST

the equivalence of the degree that I hold to an Italian Degree qualification, with the sole end of admittance to the competition for the aforementioned Research Doctorate.

To this end I enclose, the following documents with the application form:

(enclose any other documents considered useful, duly translated and legalized, in order to enable the Academic Board to make an assessment of the degree, for example: programmes of the examinations taken etc.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Date, _____

Signature

Application Form

For the Attention of the
Magnifico Rettore
Università
LUM JEAN MONNET
S.S. 100 KM. 18
70010 CASAMASSIMA (BARI)
ITALIA

I, the undersigned, _____
(Title, First Name and Surname)

Tax Code _____

Nationality _____

Place of Birth _____

In the Province of _____ Country _____

Date of birth _____ Resident in _____

In the Province of _____ Country _____

Permanent Address _____

Post Code _____

Home Telephone _____ Mobile Phone _____

e-mail _____

Contact address for the purposes of the selection process

City _____

Province of _____ Country _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

APPLY

To be included in the competitive selection process for admission to the Research Doctorate Course in "The Economics and Management of Natural Resources" XXIV cycle – A.Y. 2008-09

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY DECLARE UNDER MY OWN RESPONSIBILITY

° that I have _____ citizenship

° that I am the holder of a Degree (old system 4 year University degree) in

in accordance with Italian Law n. 341/09

awarded on (date) _____ with a final mark of _____/_____

At the University of _____

Or a Second Level Specialization Degree in _____

_____ in accordance with Italian Law n. 599/99

awarded on (date) _____ with a final mark of _____/_____

At the University of _____

Or a Magisterial Degree in _____

_____ in accordance with Italian Law n. 270/04

awarded on (date) _____ with a final mark of _____/_____

At the University of _____

° **(for candidates who hold a foreign academic qualification and who have the Rector's Decree recognising equivalence)** that I hold a foreign degree in

awarded on (date) _____ at the foreign University of

recognized as equivalent to an Italian Degree with D.R. nr. _____ of

(date) _____ by the University of _____

with a final mark of _____/_____

° **(for candidates who hold a foreign academic qualification but not recognized as equivalent to an Italian degree)** EU or Non-EU citizens who hold a degree awarded by a foreign University, must ask the Academic Board for the declaration of equivalence with the sole end of admittance to the competition (Annex1).

I furthermore declare

- ° That I will attend the Doctorate course full-time, at all the partner Universities in accordance with the procedures that will be set out by the Academic Board
- ° That my level of knowledg of the ENGLISH language is:
 satisfactory good excellent
- ° That I have knowledge of the following foreign languages _____
- ° That I will inform the University about any change of residence or contact address
- ° That I receive/do not receive a research allowance (cross out the option that is not relevant)
- ° That I am/am not a foreign citizen holder of a scholarship funded by the Italian Government or by the Government of the Country of origin (cross out the option that is not relevant)

- ° that I have enclosed my curriculum vitae et studiorum with the present application form;
- ° that I have enclosed my research project (max 10.000 characters) with the present application form.

Candidates who declare that they hold a scholarship must include the approved certification with the application form

Candidates who have disabilities should specify, according to the current regulation the aid they require and/or the request for additional time to complete the selection examination

I furthermore declare, in accordance with art. 2 of Italian Law n. 15/68 and of art. 1 of D.P.R. 403/98, regarding false statements, that I am aware of the penalties laid down by the criminal code and by the special law concerning false statements in legal documents and the use of false documents. Furthermore, I am aware that I will lose all benefits deriving from measures taken on the basis of such statements.

I finally declare, that I am aware that the University Administration will accept no liability for communication problems due to candidates providing inaccurate details of their residence or contact address, or to any delay in their notifying the Administration of any changes to said details, or to failings of the postal or telegraphic services beyond the Administration's control.

Date, _____

Signature
