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## CALL FOR RESEARCH AWARDS YOUNG INVESTIGATOR TRAINING PROGRAM 2019 REGIONAL PLANNING AND DESIGN, FROM THEORY TO PRACTICES

The Department of Architecture of the University of Florence  
with the contribution of  
ASSOCIAZIONE DI FONDAZIONI E CASSE DI RISPARMIO ITALIANE SpA (ACRI)  
In the frame of the *Association of European Schools of Planning – AESOP*  
*AESOP Young Academics - AESOP thematic group on Regional Design*  
(Deadline for application: **25 MARCH 2019**)

Thanks to a financial contribution received from the Associazione di Fondazioni e Casse di Risparmio Spa (ACRI), full funding is available for up to 23 researcher positions, for:

- participating to the international conference AESOP 2019 “Planning for Transition”, that will take place in Venice from 12 to 15 July 2019.
- spending a one-month period as visiting scientist in one of the leading Italian departments that agreed to participate to the network.

The objective of the “Young investigation training program - YITP” is to promote scientific research and collaboration among internationally-recognized research institutions and to encourage the mobility of young scientists. In particular, scholarships are designed to support the participation of young researchers, working in research centers abroad, to internationally-recognized research seminars and conferences organized by Italian research institutions. The ultimate purpose is to enable young researchers to establish and consolidate relationships with Italian research centers, with the aim of developing common research projects.

The AESOP 2019 YITP is targeted to AESOP Young Academics that will be hosted in 8 Italian Universities for a research period of 1 month before Aesop Conference 2019 in Venice.

### Who can apply?

The AESOP 2019 YITP is reserved to early stage researchers that will attend (and present an oral or poster contribution) to AESOP 2019 conference. Applicants must also:

- be PhD holders by no more than 10 years or PhD students;
- hold a position in a foreign (non-Italian, worldwide) research institution. There are no requirements on the nature of the applicants’ position: the AESOP 2019 YITP is open to full-time and part-time researchers from both private and public institutions.

**Young researchers** whose study focus on regional planning and design **and affiliated to foreign institutions** are invited to submit an application for research projects to be carried out in Italian research centers. The successful candidates will be hosted for a period of at least **one month by one of the Italian Institutions in AESOP 2019 YITP network list (Annex 1)**.



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## What are the benefits for young researcher?

1. Offer to young and worthy researchers living abroad the opportunity to develop original and independent research projects in Italy
2. Identify and support the integration of young researchers in international research projects.
3. Provide the opportunity for young researchers to participate in a major international conference focusing on regional planning and design.
4. Encouraging research and debate on regional planning and design.
5. Expand the scientific network of young researchers.
6. Stimulate cultural exchanges.

## Why to apply?

Thanks to financial contribution of ACRI, AESOP 2019 YITP offers up to 23 research grants (amount € 3000.00 for each European researcher and € 4000.00 for each non-European researcher) for young investigators wishing to carry out research on the field of regional planning and design.

The overall amount of the research award will depend on the country of origin and is subject to Italian tax (25% withholding), so the net amount of the scholarship is:

- 2.250 € (if traveling from Europe)
- 3.000€ (if traveling from outside Europe)

The total number of positions that can be funded ranges from 17 to 23, depending on the country of origin of the awardees.

This funding will cover all the cost for **one-month period in Italy** and the **registration for the AESOP 2019 conference**. Selected candidates are requested to:

- attend the **kick off meeting** of the program that will be held in **Florence** the **10<sup>th</sup> of June 2019**
- develop a **joint-research** with their **hosting institution**
- **present** their **research activities** in a seminar to be held in the **hosting institution**
- **present the joint research results in the dedicated roundtable** “YOUNG INVESTIGATOR TRAINING PROGRAM 2018 - REGIONAL PLANNING AND DESIGN, FROM THEORY TO PRACTICES” that will be held in the frame of the Aesop Conference 2019.

## How to apply?

Eligible candidates are required to apply by submitting the following documents:

1. The **AESOP 2019 YITP Application Form** completed in all parts, dated and signed.
2. A **one-page abstract** (included in the Application Form) describing the specific **research project** and related topics that the candidate would like to work on during his/her stay. Connection with proposed topic is encouraged but is not mandatory.
3. List of the **research centers** that the candidate would like to visit, in order of preference (annex 1).



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4. An updated **CV** (max 2 pages at no less than 10 pt char size + list of publications highlighting up to 3 of them best matching the proposed research activities)
5. An abstract of the **contribution to be presented to the roundtable** dedicated to the AESOP YITP 2019 PROGRAM is required. In case the applicant is an Author of a paper accepted for presentation at AESOP Conference 2019, the corresponding details (abstract reference number and track/special session/roundtable title)
6. A scanned copy of the **passport** (or **I.D. document** for EU researchers), reporting personal details, i.e. photo and date of birth

If possible, please combine the signed application form and the other documents in a single PDF file.

**Submission has to be sent to:** [direttore@dida.unifi.it](mailto:direttore@dida.unifi.it) with deadline at 12:00 pm GMT, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Object: *Application for the research award AESOP YITP 2019.*

### Who will be awarded?

Awardees will be selected from the pool of eligible applicants based upon the academic carrier and the relevance of research projects by the selection board. Successful candidates will receive communication of the award no later than **25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.**

Research grants are awarded by evaluation of titles and documentation on the basis of a score previously defined by the Selection Board, which takes into account the following points:

- Curriculum vitae et studiorum
- Publications
- Content of the research program: validity and scientific originality of the proposal; feasibility of the project, relevance of expected results.

PhD students that have been admitted to the 2019 AESOP PhD workshop organized in Ferrara will not be admitted to the award.

### Selection Board

*Senior academics,*

Valeria Lingua, Università di Firenze  
Giuseppe De Luca, Università di Firenze  
Patrizia Gabellini, Politecnico di Milano  
Angioletta Voghera, Politecnico di Torino

*Young Academics,*

Giulia Fini, Politecnico di Milano  
Carlo Pisano, Università di Firenze

Selection Board ensures that the ACRI Fund supports initiatives on the basis of the highest international standards of research excellence, and that funding decisions take into account areas of strength and relevance to AESOP network and, in particular, to the AESOP Young Academic Group and the AESOP Thematic group on Regional design.



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## **Awards announced**

The selection board will formulate and make public the general ranking of merit up to the **5<sup>th</sup> of April 2019**. All participants will be informed of the outcome of the evaluation process. Applicants are notified of grant award via email provided in application.

## **Acceptance of research award**

Within 15 days of the notification, the winners must send to the DIDA (Department of Architecture, University of Florence) a letter of acceptance, indicating the period over which he/she intends to carry out the planned activity, as well as confirming participation in the AESOP 2019 conference, which is a condition to be eligible for the award. Non-compliance with these two points will result in non-disbursement of the cheque.

In the case of renunciation, the research grant or its remainder may be made available to the following persons competitors classified as eligible according to the ranking order.

Cheques are paid by the ACRI Foundation's, subject to a declaration by the scientific manager of hosting institution proving the success of young investigator's visiting period.

Research awards are inclusive of the cost of an appropriate insurance policy (compulsory) against accidents to the person that may occur during the period of presence in the host research facilities, as well as for personal injury and things that the researcher should cause during the period of enjoyment of the research grant.

## **Contribution source and legal nature of the contribution**

The total funds for the financed project amounted to 73,000 Euros (Seventy-three thousand/00 euro) and disbursed to the DIDA by the ACRI Foundation of Rome.

The economic resources reserved for the single European/extra-European researcher are equal to a total amount of 3,000.00/4,000.00 euro (three thousand/00- four thousand/00 euro). The amount is subject to withholding taxes (25% withholding) as required by law and will be disbursed by procedure to be agreed between Fondazione ACRI and DIDA.

The ACRI Foundation, in relation to the DIDA, implements the liquidation of the project, subject to verification, as follows: Euro 36.500 (50% of the contribution) in advance of project implementation; Euro 36.500 (50% of the grant) at the end of the project.

Following this procedure, individual researcher projects and contributions will be funded after their arrival in Italy and before the conclusion of the grant award. The use of research grants does not constitute an employment relationship.

## **Rights and obligations**

Researchers shall have access to research facilities in hosting institution. They are also required to comply with the regulations rules effective in the institution to which they are assigned.

At the end of the visiting period, beneficiaries are required to submit to Scientific Committee a scientific report on the activities carried out.

If the research results should be object of publication, the author must cite AESOP 2019 YITP and ACRI in the text of the publication.

**For more information:** Contact: [valeria.lingua@unifi.it](mailto:valeria.lingua@unifi.it)



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## ANNEX 1 AESOP 2019 YITP network

Hosting Institution	Referent academics	Research interests
Università di Firenze, DIDA – Department of Architecture, Regional Design Lab	Giuseppe De Luca, <a href="mailto:giuseppe.deluca@unifi.it">giuseppe.deluca@unifi.it</a> Valeria Lingua, <a href="mailto:valeria.lingua@unifi.it">valeria.lingua@unifi.it</a> Carlo Pisano, <a href="mailto:carlo.pisano@unifi.it">carlo.pisano@unifi.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional planning and regional design</li> <li>Strategic planning across local boundaries</li> <li>Metropolitan and inter- municipal planning</li> <li>River contracts</li> <li>Vacancy and derelict lands in the metropolitan dimension</li> <li>Urban planning in Historical city centers and their relation with the metropolitan dimension</li> </ul>
Politecnico di Torino DIST - Department of Regional and Urban Studies and Planning	Angioletta Voghera, <a href="mailto:angioletta.voghera@polito.it">angioletta.voghera@polito.it</a> Nadia Caruso, <a href="mailto:nadia.caruso@polito.it">nadia.caruso@polito.it</a> Benedetta Giudice, <a href="mailto:benedetta.giudice@polito.it">benedetta.giudice@polito.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Green and blue infrastructures, with particular reference to their role in planning practices and in the framework urban resilience</li> <li>River agreements</li> <li>Landscape planning</li> <li>Urban regeneration and urban policies</li> <li>Vacancy and temporary uses</li> <li>Housing policies in Southern Europe</li> </ul>
Politecnico di Milano DASU - Department of Architecture and Urban Studies Laboratory RPU+ (Rete Archivi Piani Urbanistici + Progettazione Urbanistica)	Patrizia Gabellini, <a href="mailto:patrizia.gabellini@polimi.it">patrizia.gabellini@polimi.it</a> Giulia Fini, <a href="mailto:giulia.fini@polimi.it">giulia.fini@polimi.it</a> Alice Buoli, <a href="mailto:alice.buoli@gmail.com">alice.buoli@gmail.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning and design at the metropolitan-regional levels: current experiences and questions</li> <li>Urban and metropolitan regeneration: different traditions, approaches and tools</li> <li>Specialized districts and polarities in the metropolitan territory: issues of regeneration and regional design</li> <li>Border-landscapes: innovative conceptualization and design</li> <li>Historical cities: relation and roles at the metropolitan scale</li> </ul>
Istituto Universitario di Architettura di Venezia - IUAV	Paola Viganò, <a href="mailto:paola.vigano@iuav.it">paola.vigano@iuav.it</a> Lorenzo Fabian, <a href="mailto:lfabian@iuav.it">lfabian@iuav.it</a> Luca Velo, <a href="mailto:luca.velo@iuav.it">luca.velo@iuav.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Territorial and urban regeneration linked to space reuse and recycle;</li> <li>Contemporary forms of the disperse city in the Veneto Region;</li> <li>Welfare spaces, transition and modification in the Venetian metropolitan area;</li> <li>Water and asphalt issues (hydrological control, water and land use or waste design);</li> <li>Sustainable mobility spaces related to secondary infrastructural networks;</li> <li>Innovative spatial forms and design for the 4.0 industry and specialized areas;</li> <li>Planning Climate Change in the Venetian Metropolitan area.</li> </ul>



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Università Roma Tre	Giovanni Caudo, <a href="mailto:giovanni.caudo@uniroma3.it">giovanni.caudo@uniroma3.it</a> Mauro Baioni <a href="mailto:mauro.baioni@uniroma3.it">mauro.baioni@uniroma3.it</a> Federica Fava, <a href="mailto:federica.fava@uniroma3.it">federica.fava@uniroma3.it</a> Nicola Vazzoler, <a href="mailto:nicola.vazzoler@uniroma3.it">nicola.vazzoler@uniroma3.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Adaptive heritage reuse: governance and management models for marginalized, non-touristic heritage site</li><li>Planning standard: public spaces and facilities in residential public building</li><li>Metropolitan-regional study: the case of the Capital region of Rome</li><li>Evaluation of the territorial impact of urban projects</li></ul>
Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II	Francesco Domenico Moccia, <a href="mailto:francescodomenico.moccia@unina.it">francescodomenico.moccia@unina.it</a> Emanuela Coppola, <a href="mailto:emanuela.coppola@unina.it">emanuela.coppola@unina.it</a> Alessandro Sgobbo, <a href="mailto:alessandro.sgobbo@unina.it">alessandro.sgobbo@unina.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sustainable urban drainage</li><li>Planning green infrastructures</li><li>Metropolitan areas planning and governance</li><li>Transit oriented development: transportation node-land use equilibrium</li></ul>
Politecnico di Bari	Angela Barbanente, <a href="mailto:angela.barbanente@poliba.it">angela.barbanente@poliba.it</a> Laura Garazzini, <a href="mailto:laugrassini@gmail.com">laugrassini@gmail.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Fostering innovation dynamics in urban and regional planning, with the specific aim of reducing inequalities in deprived urban</li><li>Areas and disadvantaged regions</li><li>Integrating the socio-technical dimension with the socio-political one in the evaluation of innovative urban and regional planning processes</li><li>Investigating the non-linear, complex relations between plan-making and implementation in landscape planning and urban regeneration programs</li></ul>
Università degli Studi di Palermo	Maurizio Carta, <a href="mailto:maurizio.carta@unipa.it">maurizio.carta@unipa.it</a> Daniele Ronsivalle, <a href="mailto:daniele.ronsivalle@unipa.it">daniele.ronsivalle@unipa.it</a> Barbara Lino, <a href="mailto:barbara.lino@unipa.it">barbara.lino@unipa.it</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Augmented cities for sustainable future</li><li>Inner areas, local networks, and new metropolitan systems</li><li>New landscapes</li><li>Waterfronts and fluid cities</li><li>Urban communities and new life cycles.</li></ul>