



### Annex 3

#### Ph.D. in Politics, Human Rights and Sustainability

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<b>Brief description</b>	<p>In line with the standards of excellence pursued by the School, the objective of the Ph.D Programme in Politics, Human Rights and Sustainability is to provide an educational path which will enable our graduates to carry out sound academic research, but also to undertake professional careers within a wide range of international, national and regional entities, in both the private and the public sectors.</p> <p>The Ph.D. programme's structure includes mandatory lectures and research activities, but it also envisages the possibility to attend summer schools and spend research periods abroad. The courses benefit from the theoretical and practical research carried out by faculty members and by numerous partner universities and research institutions. During the three years of the Ph.D, the students work on a research project under the supervision of the faculty members.</p> <p>At the end of the three-year Programme, the Ph.D students will take a final examination to obtain their Ph.D Degree. During the Ph.D Degree examination, the students will be asked to defend a written dissertation (thesis) before a Board of Experts. The thesis should present the results of an original piece of research of significant scientific value.</p> <p>For further information: <a href="http://www.sssup.it/politics">http://www.sssup.it/politics</a> <a href="http://www.dirpolis.it/education/phd/">http://www.dirpolis.it/education/phd/</a></p>	
<b>Language</b>	English	
<b>Duration</b>	3 years	
<b>Curricula</b>	<b>International Law, Agricultural Law</b>	The Curriculum deals with the legal and governance aspects of distinct but related fields of inquiry. With regard to Agricultural Law, the main themes addressed are: water, food, land and natural resources, international trade of agricultural products. With respect to the International Law area the research focuses on human rights protection, international conflict management and resolution, and international disaster law.
	<b>European and International Political Economy</b>	The economic curriculum comprises introduction into quantitative methods, International and European political economy and monetary economics.
	<b>Political Philosophy, Political Science (International Relations)</b>	<p>With respect to the area related to political philosophy and theory, the curriculum entails research issues concerning identity (individual, group, cultural, intercultural identity), rights (rights and multiculturalism, rights and genders, rights and socio-political asymmetry) and conflicts (global issues and transnational governance, public matters at a state and transnational level).</p> <p>The theme of conflict is thoroughly examined, also from a political science viewpoint in a perspective of security and conflict studies; a number of geopolitical issues will be considered. For Political Science, European Studies and International Relations, we recommend considering the PhD by the same name offered jointly by the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and the University of Siena.</p>
<b>Number of positions available</b>	<p><b>5 with scholarship</b></p> <p><b>of which 2 reserved for citizens of NON-EU Countries</b></p>	
<b>Scholarship amount</b>	<p><b>14,000.00 euros</b> gross paid to payee in deferred monthly instalments</p> <p>The gross amount includes social security contributions payable by the recipient</p>	

<b>Submission deadline for the online application</b>	<b>12 June 2015 at 12.00 p.m.</b> (Italian time)
<b>Documentation obligatory under penalty of exclusion, to be attached to the online application</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. photocopy of a valid identity document;</li> <li>2. CV;</li> <li>3. self-certification of the exams passed in the MSc degree course, indicating the mark received for each one;</li> <li>4. copy of their MSc degree thesis (or an abstract of the thesis, with a photocopy of the cover page): candidates who have not yet obtained the qualification should attach a copy of the final draft of their degree thesis or an abstract of the same;</li> <li>5. a detailed research project in English of no more than 3000 words, which describes the research activities that the applicants would like to perform during their PhD course. The research project will include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. the title of the research; scientific premises and relevant bibliography;</li> <li>b. purpose and expectations of the research;</li> <li>c. research methodologies;</li> <li>d. description of the interdisciplinary nature of the research.</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <b>only for candidates who obtained their qualification abroad:</b> copy of the MSc Degree Certificate or equivalent qualification translated into Italian or English unless the original is drafted in English, Italian, French, German or Spanish;</li> <li>7. at least two letters from teaching staff who monitored the candidate's education during his/her university studies;</li> <li>8. copy of any other qualifications or publications that the candidate deems relevant to the course (typewritten works are permitted);</li> </ol>
<b>Test examinations</b>	<p><b>Qualifications and Interview</b>  Selection will be performed through <b>an assessment of the qualifications presented and an interview.</b>  The Board will award a score from 1 to 100 out of one hundred.</p>
	<p><b>Assessment of qualifications</b> – <i>maximum score possible: 70</i>  The Examining Board will assess the CV, academic path and any other scientific qualifications submitted. The candidate's research project will be assessed in terms of both quality and relevance with respect to the lines of research indicated in the "Curricula" section of this information sheet. We also recommend that candidates visit the Institute of Law, Politics and Development website (<a href="http://www.cdg-lab.dirpolis.sssup.it">http://www.cdg-lab.dirpolis.sssup.it</a>). On completion of the assessment, the Board will award a score out of seventy. Only candidates obtaining a score of at least 49/70 in the assessment of qualifications phase will be contacted for the interview.  The School will inform candidates selected for the interview in due time, by writing to the email address specified in the application. Information will include the date and time of the interview, as well as the score received in the assessment of qualifications phase.</p> <p><b>Candidates are not required to be present in Pisa during the assessment of qualifications.</b></p> <p><b>Interview</b> – <i>maximum score possible: 30</i>  The interview will consist in a discussion about the qualifications submitted and the proposed research topics, and will be held (at least in part) in English. Candidates obtaining a score below 21/30 in the interview will be excluded from the merit ranking list.  In special cases the interview may be conducted by video conference (using Skype). In this case, the identity document used in the online application form must be shown before the start of the test in order to enable identification of the candidate. It is in any case the candidate's responsibility to make sure that the required hardware (PC, webcam) and software are available and that there is a reliable internet connection. The decision on whether to allow candidates to conduct their interview by video conference lies with the Board.  70/100 is the minimum score for being included to the general merit ranking list.  Should there be two or more candidates with the same general score, preference will be given to the younger candidate.  The School will notify only scholarship holders of their admission to the School, using the email address provided in the application. Scholarship holders will be required to confirm their acceptance by responding within 7 days, on pain of forfeiture and awarding of the position to the first suitable candidate on the ranking list.</p>
<b>Test schedule</b>	Publication of the list of those selected for interview: <b>29 June 2015</b> Interviews: <b>7 July 2015</b>  The general merit ranking list will be made available on the page:

	<a href="http://www.sssup.it/phdapplicationonline">http://www.sssup.it/phdapplicationonline</a> by <b>10 July 2015</b>
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