



**Decree of the Rector n. 618 of 25/08/2023**  
Competition for awarding 1 research grant at the University of Udine

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**Annex 1**

**Competition announcement for the assignment of 1 one-year research grant at the University of Udine, in the humanities and social sciences sectors (art. 5, c. 29-33 of the Regional Law 34/2015), entitled “The influence of climate change on humanitarian crises: the phenomenon of environmental refugees” SSD: IUS/14 (principal investigator, Elisabetta Bergamini).**

**Art. 1**

A selection procedure is hereby launched for the award of 1 one-year research grant at the University of Udine, as identified in Attachment A which constitutes an integral part of the present announcement. The research grant is linked to the research project and is subject and conditioned upon the relative funding.

The fellowship may be renewed, in compliance with Art. 22, Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010 (as in the text in force before the implementation of the Conversion Law of the D.L. 36/2022, L. 79/2022), Law No. 11 of 27 February 2015, and the current regulations of the University of Udine for awarding research grants, issued with the Rector’s Decree No. 182 of 31 March 2021. The renewal is subject to the scientific coordinator’s positive assessment of the researcher’s activities, an adequate scientific rationale, and a corresponding financial covering.

The research fellowship does not give rise to any right with regards to accessing University posts.

The winner of the selection procedure must be resident or domiciled in the territory of the Autonomous Region of Friuli Venezia Giulia on the starting date of the research grant.

Any personal communication to candidates related to this selection will be sent exclusively to the email address indicated when registering for the selection, as mentioned in Art. 5.

**Art. 2**

The research grant described in this competition announcement and the required qualifications to apply for the position are identified in Attachment A. The lack of the admission requirements leads to the automatic exclusion from the competition procedure.



Possession of a PhD or equivalent degree obtained abroad or, only for the interested areas, of a medical specialization accompanied by an adequate scientific production, constitutes a preferential qualification for awarding the research fellowship of this selection, if it has not been provided as a mandatory requirement.

For the only purpose of the admission to the competition, the Examining Board (Art. 7) shall assess the equivalence of the qualification obtained abroad, except for the evaluation of the medical specialization qualification to which Article 38 of the Legislative Decree 165/2001 and subsequent modifications and additions, and EU regulations on the matter, shall be applied.

The Examining Board will proceed to the evaluation of the qualification obtained abroad according to the documentation attached to the application form. The Examining Board may exclude the candidate if the submitted documentation does not provide sufficient information for the assessment.

Therefore, applicants must enclose all the documentation in their possession relating to their qualification in order to provide the Examining Board with sufficient information for assessment.

Candidates holding a qualification issued by a **European Research Area country**, if successful, must submit, if not already attached to the application form one of the following options:

- Supplement Diploma in English issued by the competent University.
- CIMEA Certificate of comparability of the foreign qualification, issued by CIMEA (Information Centre on Academic Mobility and Equivalence) via the "diplome" service at <https://cimea.diplome.eu/udine/#/auth/login>

Candidates holding a qualification issued by a **non-European Research Area country**, if successful, must submit, if not already attached to the application form one of the following options:

- Declaration of the on-site value of the qualification and the certificate relating to the degree with examinations and grades. A certificate in a language other than Italian or English must be accompanied by an official translation into one of these languages (certified by the competent diplomatic-consular authority or certified by a court in Italy).
- CIMEA Certificate of comparability of the foreign qualification, issued by CIMEA (Information Centre on Academic Mobility and Equivalence) via the "diplome" service at <https://cimea.diplome.eu/udine/#/auth/login>

If the Supplement Diploma or the statement/attestation of comparability are not available when signing the contract, the applicant must demonstrate that he/she has requested the documentation and submit it as soon as possible.

Any exclusion from the selection procedure due to lack of eligibility requirements, absence of required documents, failure to sign the selection application or submission of the selection application in a manner different from what is provided for in this call for applications will be communicated to applicants exclusively at the email address indicated in the application form.

### **Art. 3**

**The research grant referred to in this call for applications cannot be awarded:**

- a. to employees of Universities and the entities referred to in Article 22, section 1, of Italian Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 (in the text prior to the reform introduced by Law no. 79 of 29 June 2022);



- b. to those who have already been awarded research grants pursuant to Italian Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 (prior to the reform introduced by Law no. 79 of 29 June 2022) for the maximum period provided by law, even if not continuously, excluding the period in which the grant was used in conjunction with the doctorate, up to the legal term of the relative course;
- c. to those who have already benefited from research grants and fixed-term researcher contracts provided for, respectively, in Articles 22 and 24 of Italian Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 (in the text prior to the reform introduced by Law no. 79 of 29 June 2022), for a total of 12 years, even if not consecutive;
- d. to anyone who has a degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with:
  - the Rector, the Director General or a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Udine;
  - the scientific supervisor or a professor/researcher belonging to the department or organisation hosting the research grant in question.

The research grant provided for in this call for applications cannot be combined:

- a) with scholarships of any kind, except for those granted by Italian or foreign institutions to supplement, by means of stays abroad, the fellow's training or research activities;
- b) with other research grants;
- c) with an employment relationship, even if part-time, without prejudice to the relevant provisions for employees of public administrations.

The grant awarded under this call for applications is also incompatible with simultaneous attendance at university degree courses, either Bachelor's degree or Master's degree courses, research Doctorates with scholarships and medical specializations, in Italy or abroad.

#### **Art. 4**

Applicants must enclose with their application, under penalty of exclusion, the following documents:

- a) their professional scientific CV, highlighting the candidate's aptitude for carrying out and implementing the research project (Attachment A);
- b) their identity card, their passport or any other identification document<sup>1</sup>;
- c) (for candidates with a foreign qualification only) certification or self-certification of both the academic qualification required for the admission to the selection, and of the exams (with evaluation) took during the period of study abroad, and of any other document that can be useful to the evaluation of the degree by the Examining Board.

Applicants can attach to the application, publications and any other certification considered useful to demonstrate the qualification based on the research program (Attachment A) and to certify any research activity accomplished at public or private institutes (indicating the starting and ending date and the duration).

The documents and qualifications mentioned above must be submitted in Italian or English. Those that are not as requested will not be evaluated. Documents originally written in a language other than Italian or English must come with a translation in Italian or English, that the candidate will do on its own responsibility. The translation can be an abstract concerning the thesis.

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<sup>1</sup> Please be aware that the residence permit is not an identification document.



Italian and Community candidates wishing to submit qualifications referring to conditions and facts attested by Public Administrations must proceed exclusively with self-certification.

Non-EU citizens legally residing in Italy may self-certify only data that can be verified or certified by Italian public bodies. They may also use declarations in lieu when provided for by an international convention between Italy and the declarant's country of origin.

Non-EU citizens not residing in Italy cannot self-certify.

Only the qualifications possessed by the candidate on the date the application form is submitted and submitted in accordance with the procedures set out in Article 5 will be assessed.

Failure to submit mandatory documents provided for in this article will constitute grounds for exclusion from the selection.

#### **Art. 5**

The submission of the applications for the present call starts on September 5, 2023 at 2:00 pm (Italian time) and ends on October 3, 2023 at 2:00 pm (Italian time).

The application to take part in the selection must be completed, under penalty of exclusion, using the appropriate online procedure, available at the link <https://pica.cineca.it/>

The procedure involves an applicant registration step, for those who do not already have an account, and then an application completion step.

Once completed, the online application must be signed in the manner described in the online procedure (manual signature with attached identity document or digital signature), under penalty of exclusion from selection. The application does not have to be signed if you access the above-mentioned online procedure using your SPID ID.

The qualifications referred to in Article 4 must be attached to the application in .pdf format. Individual .pdf files may not exceed 30MB.

The application for participation in the selection is automatically sent to the University of Udine with the definitive closing of the online procedure.

The University Administration:

- is not responsible if it is impossible to read the submitted documentation in electronic format due to damaged files;
- shall not accept or take into consideration qualifications or documents received in paper form or by any means other than what is specified in this article.

Reference to documents or publications already submitted in connection with other competitions is not allowed.

The Administration is not responsible for any missing document or communication because of inaccurate indication of residence and/or address submitted by the candidate during the application. Also, the Administration is not responsible if the candidate has not communicated changes in this information, or has communicated them too late. The Administration is also not responsible for any postal or telegraphic problems not attributable to the Administration itself.



Applicants are advised not to wait until the last few days before the closing date to submit their application. The University accepts no responsibility for any malfunctions due to technical problems and/or overloading of the communication line and/or application systems.

#### **Art. 6**

The selection procedure is held in accordance with the modality indicated in Attachment A.

The test will aim to assess the general preparation, experience and aptitude for research of the candidate. It will consist in the evaluation of the professional scientific curriculum, of the publications and qualifications presented, and of the interview, where foreseen.

#### **Art. 7**

The Examining board for the competition is identified in Attachment A of the present competition announcement, of which it is an integral part.

At its first meeting, the Examining board shall appoint its President and Secretary, and establish the criteria and methods for evaluating the qualifications and the interview, where foreseen.

The results of the qualifications assessment must be disclosed to applicants during the interview, where foreseen.

The Examining board can award a maximum of 100 points (one hundred out of one hundred) to the selection.

At the end of the evaluation procedure, the Examining board shall formulate the general merit list based on the overall score of each candidate, and draw up the minutes of the whole competition procedure.

Based on the ranking list, the assignment is awarded to candidates who have obtained a minimum overall score of 70/100 (seventy out of one hundred).

The Examining board's judgement is final.

The ranking list will be made public exclusively through publication on the University's official website.

Applicants will not be notified of the outcome of the evaluation.

Those who do not declare their acceptance of the research grant and do not present themselves at the research centre within the deadline communicated by the latter, even if not formally, shall lose the right to receive it. Exceptions to this term will only be granted in cases of documented force majeure.

#### **Art. 8**

The research activity cannot be started before signing the contract defining the terms and conditions of the collaboration.

The activity covered by the research grant must have the following characteristics:



- a) it must be carried out as part of the research programme covered by the grant and not be a merely technical support to it;
- b) it must have a close connection with the realization of the research program for which the winner of the grant has been awarded the contract;
- c) it must be continuous and, in any case, temporally defined, not merely occasional, and in coordination with the overall activity of the University;
- d) it must be carried out autonomously, solely within the limits of the programme prepared by the programme supervisor, without predetermined working hours.

The researcher is required to submit a detailed written report on the work carried out and the results achieved, accompanied by the opinion of the scientific supervisor, to the reference organisation at the intervals set out in the contract. The researcher must also submit interim reports and timesheets, if requested by the reference organisation.

Either the fellow or the reference organisation may withdraw from the contract.

The reference organisation may terminate the contract not only in the cases referred to in Article 9, sections 2 and 3, of the "Internal rules for awarding research grants pursuant to law 240 of 30 December 2010" of the University of Udine, but also in the event the research project and therefore the financial coverage on which the research grant is based cease to exist, or in the event that the research fellow has not assumed residence or domicile in the territory of the Autonomous Region of Friuli Venezia Giulia on the starting date of the research fellowship.

#### **Art. 9**

The following legal dispositions shall apply to the grant referred to in this call for applications:

- for tax matters, the provisions of Article 4 of Italian Law no. 476 of 13 August 1984, as subsequently amended and supplemented;
- for social security matters, the provisions of Article 2(26) *et seq.* of Italian Law no. 335 of 8 August 1995, as subsequently amended and supplemented;
- for mandatory maternity leave, the provisions of the Italian Ministerial Decree of 12 July 2007;
- with regard to sick leave, the provisions of Article 1(788) of Italian Law no. 296 of 27 December 2006 and subsequent amendments.

During the period of mandatory maternity leave, the allowance paid by INPS according to Art. 5 of the Italian Ministerial Decree of 12 July 2007 is supplemented by the University up to the full amount of the research grant.

The grant will be paid in monthly instalments.

#### **Art. 10**

The data collected as part of the procedure referred to in Art. 5 are necessary to properly manage the selection procedure, for any subsequent management of the research grant and for purposes related to managing services provided by the University. The University of Udine is the Data Controller. At any time, the data subject may request access, rectification and, depending on the University's institutional purposes, cancellation and restriction of processing or oppose the processing of their data. The data subject can always lodge a complaint with the Italian Data Protection Authority. The complete disclosure is available on the University of Udine website in the "Privacy" section, accessible from the home page [www.uniud.it](http://www.uniud.it) Direct Link: <https://www.uniud.it/it/it/pagine-speciali/guida/privacy>



#### **Art. 11**

For all matters not expressly mentioned in this call for applications, refer to the regulations in force on the subject cited in the introduction, to the "Internal rules for awarding research grants pursuant to Italian Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010" of the University of Udine, issued by Rector's Decree no. 182 of 31 March 2021, and to the Directives for the preparation and implementation of projects and the presentation of funding applications for the activation of research grants (Regional Law 34/2015 art. 5 c. 29-33), approved by the Regional Council with resolution no. 1947 of 17 December 2021.

#### **Art. 12**

The procedure supervisor is Dr. Sandra Salvador, Head of the Research Services Area of the University of Udine.

The Responsible office at the University of Udine is "Area Servizi per la Ricerca - Ufficio Formazione per la Ricerca", via Mantica n. 31 - 33100 Udine, Italia.

To request information about the call for applications, please complete the following form available on the University of Udine website:

[https://helpdesk.uniud.it/SubmitSR.jsp?type=req&accountId=universityofudine&populateSR\\_id=42105](https://helpdesk.uniud.it/SubmitSR.jsp?type=req&accountId=universityofudine&populateSR_id=42105)



## Attachment A

### Responsabile scientifico della ricerca / Principal investigator:

Nome e Cognome / Name and surname: Elisabetta Bergamini  
Qualifica / Position: Professoressa Ordinaria / Full Professor  
Dipartimento / Department: Scienze Giuridiche (DISG) / Legal Sciences  
Area MIUR / Research field: 12 - Scienze giuridiche  
Macrosettore concorsuale e Settore scientifico disciplinare / Scientific sector: 12/E4 (Diritto dell'Unione Europea); IUS/14 (Diritto dell'Unione Europea)

### Titolo dell'assegno di ricerca / Topic of research fellowship "assegno di ricerca":

#### Testo in italiano:

L'influenza del cambiamento climatico sulle crisi umanitarie: il fenomeno dei rifugiati ambientali.

#### Text in English:

The influence of climate change on humanitarian crises: the phenomenon of environmental refugees.

### Obiettivi previsti e risultati attesi del programma di ricerca in cui si colloca l'attività dell'assegnista di ricerca / Foreseen objectives and results of the research programme performed by the research fellow "assegnista di ricerca":

#### Testo in italiano:

I dati dimostrano come sempre di più le persone che varcano i confini europei provengano da regioni colpite da violenti eventi atmosferici come alluvioni, uragani, fenomeni di desertificazione, siccità, che causano vere e proprie crisi umanitarie e spingono le popolazioni a muoversi altrove. In un primo momento, si è registrato che i migranti si spostano entro i propri confini nazionali (IDP-internally displaced people, Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement della Commissione dei diritti umani, 1998) e, solo quando le crisi climatiche raggiungono un certo livello di gravità fuggono in altri Paesi. Inondazioni, siccità e ondate di calore devastanti compromettono l'accesso all'acqua, al cibo e ai mezzi di sussistenza e amplificano il rischio di conflitti, costringendo un numero crescente di persone a fuggire dalle proprie case.

Secondo il Global Internal Displacement Database, solo nel 2020 sono stati quasi 31 milioni i rifugiati climatici che hanno abbandonato le loro case a causa di disastri naturali. Si tratta di un fenomeno in forte crescita che secondo le stime già nel 2050, a seconda del grado di catastrofismo, potrebbe coinvolgere diverse centinaia di milioni di persone che volontariamente o forzatamente migreranno per motivi legati all'ambiente.

La Croce Rossa Italiana ha partecipato alla COP 27 in qualità di firmataria nel 2021 della "Carta per il Clima e l'Ambiente per le Organizzazioni Umanitarie", che conta 300 organizzazioni umanitarie aderenti e oltre 100 Paesi a livello locale, in linea con l'Agenda ONU 2030 e il Climate Change Induced Migration (CLICIM) della Commissione Europea. "Dal Pakistan alla Somalia e dai Paesi caraibici alle isole del Pacifico sono tante le comunità che stanno subendo disastri sempre più intensi e violenti. La COP27 è un'occasione unica per parlare ai governi e chiedere loro di investire per proteggere chi sta pagando il prezzo più alto dinanzi a questa crisi e, soprattutto, per invertire la rotta e fare in modo che il nostro Pianeta abbia un futuro" e ancora "le comunità più vulnerabili ai suoi effetti ricevono il minimo aiuto. I nostri nuovi dati mostrano che nessuno dei 30 paesi più vulnerabili è tra i 30 maggiori beneficiari di finanziamenti pro capite per l'adattamento. Alla COP27, la Federazione internazionale delle società della Croce Rossa e della Mezzaluna Rossa (IFRC) inviterà i leader





mondiali a ridurre le emissioni di gas serra e aumentare in modo significativo i finanziamenti per consentire alle comunità più vulnerabili di adattarsi e far fronte agli impatti catastrofici che stanno già affrontando". Questo è l'appello di Francesco Rocca, ex Presidente della Federazione Internazionale di Croce Rossa e Mezzaluna Rossa (IFRC) e della Croce Rossa Italiana in un video pubblicato durante la COP 27. La Croce Rossa, infatti, da molti anni si batte in prima linea per contrastare il cambiamento climatico, rafforzando la risposta umanitaria e collaborando con le comunità locali.

Negli ultimi tempi, i migranti climatici hanno iniziato a rappresentare una alta percentuale delle persone che provano ad accedere entro i confini europei. Questo anche perché sovente le carestie o le alluvioni portano povertà e guerre. Occorre però precisare come spesso le ragioni dei movimenti delle popolazioni non possano essere ricondotte ad un unico filo conduttore, ma a molteplici cause sovente connesse tra loro.

Al giorno d'oggi le Commissioni territoriali hanno iniziato a fare i conti con queste nuove realtà: in particolar modo lo stanno sperimentando le Commissioni del FVG che costituisce la regione di primo ingresso in Italia per coloro che intraprendono la rotta balcanica.

Il problema giuridico sotteso alle crisi climatiche e a questi movimenti migratori si innerva proprio nell'impossibilità di ricondurre la definizione "rifugiato climatico" entro le barriere giuridiche della Convenzione di Ginevra del 1951. Invero la nozione "rifugiato ambientale" dal punto di vista formale è un'espressione impropria che non trova una tutela nell'ordinamento giuridico internazionale ed europeo. Non esiste nel diritto internazionale una protezione ad hoc per questa categoria di persone che sono costrette a spostarsi a causa delle conseguenze dirette (desertificazione, catastrofi naturali, ecc.) o indirette (guerre per risorse scarse) dei cambiamenti climatici. Sebbene non possano essere definiti rifugiati, è innegabile che costoro abbiano diritto ad una protezione internazionale complementare.

L'Organizzazione internazionale per le migrazioni (OIM), constatata l'assenza di una definizione globalmente accettata, recentemente si è occupata di elaborare una nozione di "migrante ambientale": "persone o gruppi di persone che, per ragioni di improvvisi o progressivi cambiamenti nell'ambiente che hanno un impatto negativo sulle loro vite o sulle loro condizioni di vita, sono costrette a abbandonare le loro abitazioni, temporaneamente o permanentemente, e si trasferiscono all'interno del territorio o all'estero". Si tratta quindi di una mobilità dalle molteplici forme: temporanea o permanente, forzata o volontaria, interna o internazionale, individuale o collettiva.

Il presente progetto mira quindi ad analizzare questi fenomeni, soffermandosi su due principali aspetti. In primo luogo, si propone di comprendere le condizioni climatiche ed affrontare le conseguenti carestie, malattie e conflitti che caratterizzano i Paesi maggiormente colpiti, evidenziando le difficoltà concrete che le popolazioni devono fronteggiare e come le organizzazioni umanitarie, tra cui la CRI, portano il loro aiuto. In secondo luogo, si vuole esaminare lo stadio di avanzamento nell'elaborazione di una forma di protezione internazionale ad hoc per i rifugiati climatici sia dal punto di vista del diritto internazionale che del diritto dell'Unione europea, cercando al contempo di monitorare il modus operandi attuale delle Commissioni territoriali collocate nel territorio del Friuli Venezia Giulia, con una valutazione dei tipi di protezione concessi alle persone fuggite all'estero per ragioni ambientali per evidenziare le lacune giuridiche che tuttora sono presenti sul punto e come la prassi applicativa cerca di portare soluzione al problema, al fine di proporre delle concrete soluzioni a tale vuoto normativo.

Il progetto che si propone si articola in due fasi:

- a) una prima fase di studio e ricerca, grazie ai dati e le informazioni in tempo reale trasmesse dalla CR FVG sui rifugiati accolti nella Regione, per il coordinamento di una attività di indagine scientifica, finalizzata ad approfondire in particolare i seguenti aspetti:
  - cause e motivazioni dei flussi migratori verso il FVG (con particolare approfondimento della rotta balcanica), incidenza dei cambiamenti climatici sulle ragioni di fuga e delle forme di tutela giuridica verso queste persone prive di normativa di protezione ad hoc;
  - analisi della realtà degli Stati di provenienza (con particolare riferimento all'Africa subsahariana, Asia meridionale e America Latina);



- b) una seconda fase di elaborazione di linee guida sulla nozione di migrante climatico e la sua protezione internazionale alla luce dello studio dei dati forniti da CR FVG con l'obiettivo di agevolare/velocizzare le sovraccaricate Commissioni territoriali del FVG; definizione di un report sulla cooperazione internazionale/interregionale per individuare le misure di supporto – anche di natura economiche, assistenziale, sanitaria - che realtà come la CR e altre Ong stanno attuando nei Paesi di partenza.

Tutto questo anche nell'ottica di provvedere, con una divulgazione dei risultati della ricerca, ad una sensibilizzazione della cittadinanza (ed in particolare delle diverse realtà locali e studentesche del FVG) sui cambiamenti climatici, sulle loro conseguenti crisi umanitarie e sui possibili rimedi da porre in essere.

Text in English:

The statistics show as an increasing number of immigrants crossing European borders come from regions affected by violent weather events like floodings, storms, desertification, droughts which provoke humanitarian crises and force people to move abroad. The migrants start by travelling within national borders (IDP-internally displaced people, Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement of Human Rights Commission, 1998) and when climate conditions reach a certain level of severity, they flee their home countries. Floods, drought, and heat waves undermine access to water, food, livelihood and raise risks of conflicts, forcing an increasing number of people to run away from their homes.

According to the Global Internal Displacement Database, in 2020 only, almost 31 million climate refugees left their homes due to natural disasters. It is a phenomenon growing at a rate so high that in 2050, reporting certain estimates, it would involve several hundred millions of people leaving their home countries voluntarily or forcibly because of climate changes.

Italian Red Cross participated at COP 27 as signatory in 2021 of "Carta per il Clima e l'Ambiente per le Organizzazioni Umanitarie", which is joined by 300 humanitarian organizations and over 100 countries in compliance with UN 2030 Agenda and Climate Change Induced Migration (CLICIM) of European Commission. "Dal Pakistan alla Somalia e dai Paesi caraibici alle isole del Pacifico sono tante le comunità che stanno subendo disastri sempre più intensi e violenti. La COP27 è un'occasione unica per parlare ai governi e chiedere loro di investire per proteggere chi sta pagando il prezzo più alto dinanzi a questa crisi e, soprattutto, per invertire la rotta e fare in modo che il nostro Pianeta abbia un futuro" and again "le comunità più vulnerabili ai suoi effetti ricevono il minimo aiuto. I nostri nuovi dati mostrano che nessuno dei 30 paesi più vulnerabili è tra i 30 maggiori beneficiari di finanziamenti pro capite per l'adattamento. Alla COP27, la Federazione internazionale delle società della Croce Rossa e della Mezzaluna Rossa (IFRC) inviterà i leader mondiali a ridurre le emissioni di gas serra e aumentare in modo significativo i finanziamenti per consentire alle comunità più vulnerabili di adattarsi e far fronte agli impatti catastrofici che stanno già affrontando" (from the appeal of Francesco Rocca, former President of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent and the Italian Red Cross before COP 27). For several years, Red Cross fights on the front lines to tackle climate change, strengthening the humanitarian response and cooperating with local communities.

In recent years, climate migrants began to constitute high percentage of people trying to cross European borders, also because famines and floodings often carry with them poverty and wars. It has to be clarified that the reasons for the people migration cannot be traced back to a single common thread, but they depend on different interconnected causes

Nowadays the Territorial Commissions began to deal with these new situations: FVG's Commissions are particularly involved as a region of first access from the Balkan's route.

The juridical problem, following climate crisis and the consequent migrations, originates from the impossibility to find the definition "climate refugee" among the terms contained in the 1951 Geneva Convention. In fact, the concept of "climate refugee" from a formal point of view is an improper expression that does not appear in the international or European legal system. The international law does not contain any form of protection provided specifically to people who are forced to move from



their countries because of direct (desertification, natural cataclysms, floodings, etc.) or indirect (wars to control scarce resources) consequences of climate change. Although these people cannot be identified as refugees, it's undeniable that they have the right to a complementary international protection.

The International Organization for Migrations (IOM), considered the absence of an universally accepted specific term, has recently elaborated the definition of "environmental migrant": "persons or groups of persons who, predominantly for reasons of sudden or progressive change in the environment that adversely affects their lives or living conditions, are obliged to leave their habitual homes, or choose to do so, either temporarily or permanently, and who move either within their country or abroad". This refers to different forms of movement: temporary or permanent, forced or voluntary, internal or international, individual or in groups.

The project aims at analysing these situations, pointing out two main aspects. In the first place, it wants to analyse and understand the famine, plagues and conflicts caused by the climate change in certain countries, highlighting the actual difficulties their people are facing and how humanitarian organizations, such as IRC, are bringing their help on site. In the second place, it wants to look at the progression in the creation of a form of a specific international protection for climate refugees both from an International Law and European Union Law point of view. This by trying to monitor the procedures already used by FVG's Territorial Commissions, with an evaluation of the forms of protection granted to people who moved abroad for climate reasons, to highlight the juridical gaps currently affecting them and how the application practices try to bring a solution to the problem, and to try to find a solution.

The proposed project articulates in two phases:

- a) a first phase of study and research, thanks to the information and data transmitted in real time by FVG's RC on refugees entering the region, to coordinate a scientific survey aimed at obtaining a deeper understanding on these two aspects:
  - motivation and causes of migration flows directed to FVG (with particular emphasis on the Balkan route), impact of climate changes on the reasons of fleeing a country and forms of legal protection for people not having a specific one;
  - analysis of the situation in the country of origin (in particular sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia and Latin America);
- b) a second phase to mark guidelines for the definition of a climate migrant and its international protection based on the analysis of the data provided by FVG's RC with the objective of speeding up and facilitate the procedures for the overburdened Territorial Commissions in FVG; the definition of a report on international and interregional cooperation to determine the supporting measures - of economical, welfare, medical nature – being actuated in the countries of origin by RC and other NGOs.

All of this also with the aim, with the publication of the research's results, to raise the citizens' (and in particular of different local groups and students of FVG) awareness of the problem of climate change and its consequences on humanitarian crises and possible solutions to adopt.

### **Ricadute delle attività progettuali sul territorio della Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia / Impact of the project activities on the territory of Friuli Venezia Giulia:**

#### Testo in italiano:

Il progetto mira ad accrescere l'avanzamento scientifico in un settore giuridico del diritto dell'Unione europea ed internazionale che è in costante evoluzione. I risultati della ricerca, come anticipato sopra, raggiunti grazie alla collaborazione costante della sezione FVG della CRI, che fornirà i dati e le informazioni dei migranti accolti nel territorio regionale, permetteranno di far luce sul fenomeno dei migranti climatici. L'elaborato finale si propone di sviluppare uno studio di questo fenomeno che poi



potrà essere direttamente d'ausilio alle sovraccaricate Commissioni Territoriali del FVG al fine di velocizzare il loro operato su tal punto. In secondo luogo, i risultati espressi sopra mirano altresì a raggiungere la cittadinanza e gli studenti del FVG mediante un'opera di sensibilizzazione sui cambiamenti climatici, le conseguenti crisi umanitarie evidenziando l'impegno della sezione FVG della CRI sul tema immigrazione e clima.

Text in English:

The project aims at advancing the scientific progress in a field of International and European Union Law in constant evolution. The results of the research, as mentioned above, reached thanks to the nonstop cooperation with the FVG's section of the RC, which is going to provide data and information on the migrants entering the region, will allow a better understanding of the climate migrants matter. The final report has the objective to develop a study on this phenomenon which will be a practical help for the overburdened FVG's Territorial Commissions to speed up their operations. The results mentioned above are also meant to be provided to the citizens and students of FVG raising the awareness on climate change and the humanitarian crises caused by it, highlighting the effort of FVG's RC for the immigration and environment issues.

**Struttura dell'Università di Udine e soggetto/i ospitante/i presso la quale verrà sviluppata l'attività di ricerca / Department or other structure of the University of Udine and host organizations where research activities will be carried out:**

- Università degli Studi di Udine, Dipartimento di Scienze Giuridiche (DISG) / University of Udine, Department of Legal Sciences;
- Croce Rossa Italiana - Comitato Regionale Friuli Venezia Giulia (almeno 1/3 del periodo di ricerca) / Italian Red Cross - Friuli Venezia Giulia Regional Committee (at least 1/3 of the research period).

**Durata dell'assegno di ricerca / Duration of the research fellowship "assegno di ricerca":**

12 mesi / months

**Importo lordo assegnista / Total grant net of deductions paid by financier:**

€ 19.367,00

**Finanziamento / Financed by:**

Progetto di Ateneo ex L.R. 34 art. 5 c. 29-33, Regione Autonoma Friuli Venezia Giulia (Finanziamento anno 2023).

**Requisiti richiesti per l'ammissione alla selezione / Minimum qualifications necessary:**

- Possesso di un diploma di laurea vecchio ordinamento (ante decreto 3 novembre 1999 n. 509) o di laurea specialistica/magistrale (ex decreto 3 novembre 1999 n. 509 e decreto 22 ottobre 2004 n. 270) o titolo equivalente conseguito all'estero;
- possesso di un curriculum scientifico professionale idoneo allo svolgimento dell'attività di ricerca contemplata;
- età fino a quarant'anni alla data di presentazione della candidatura.



- University degree obtained before Decree n. 509 of 3 November 1999 or specialistic/Master's degree (post decree n. 509 of 3 November 1999 and decree n. 270 of 22 October 2004) or equivalent degree obtained abroad;
- professional scientific curriculum suitable for the research activity above mentioned;
- age up to forty years at the date of application.

**Procedura selettiva / Competition procedure:**

Valutazione per titoli e colloquio / Evaluation of titles and oral exam.

I risultati della valutazione dei titoli saranno resi noti agli interessati nel corso del colloquio. / The evaluation of the qualifications will be disclosed to candidates during the interview.

Calendario del colloquio / Calendar of the oral exam	Modalità / Modality	In presenza / On site
	Data / Date	11 ottobre / October 2023
	Ora / Time	17:00 / 5:00 pm (Italian time)
	Luogo / Place	Studio della prof.ssa Bergamini presso il Dipartimento di Scienze Giuridiche, Università degli Studi di Udine / Office of prof.ssa Bergamini, Department of Legal Sciences, University of Udine

Note / Notes:

- 1) La Commissione giudicatrice valuterà le candidature considerando l'attinenza/coerenza delle stesse alle tematiche e ai risultati previsti e alle ricadute attese. / The Examining Board will evaluate the candidacies considering their relevance/coherence to the research and to the foreseen results and to the expected effects.
- 2) Per sostenere il colloquio i candidati devono esibire un valido documento di riconoscimento. / Candidates must come to the interview with a valid identity document.

Eventuali variazioni saranno rese note esclusivamente mediante pubblicazione all'albo ufficiale on line dell'Ateneo / Any change will be made public solely through publication on the University web site [http://web.uniud.it/ateneo/normativa/albo\\_ufficiale](http://web.uniud.it/ateneo/normativa/albo_ufficiale)

**10. Commissione giudicatrice / Examining Board:**

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