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MOBILITY CONFAP ITALY CALL 2026

The call opens on 10th June 2026 and will close 04th September 2026.

Brazilian State Funding Agencies (FAPs), articulated through the Brazilian National Council of State Funding Agencies (CONFAP), are launching a call for proposal offering support to researchers from Brazil, based in Brazilian higher education and research institutions, who are willing to develop research activities in Italy, in collaboration with local colleagues.

The present call is based on the Cooperation Agreement between CONFAP and the University of Bologna, acting as Technical Secretariat of the network of Italian Universities, signed in June 2023, referred to Program “Mobility CONFAP–ITALY II (MCI II)”, giving continuity to the previous agreement signed in 2017.

The objective of the agreement is to facilitate and support effective collaboration between the parties for scientific, technological and innovation cooperation, through the mobility between the two countries of PhD students, Master students (*Mestrado* or *Laurea Magistrale* students) and post-docs.

The call offers support for researchers in Brazil through **Scholarships**.

The Scholarship awards offer an opportunity for researchers associated to universities and research institutes based in the Brazilian States which support the present call, to develop strengths and capacities of their research groups, through research collaborations and visits, in partnership with research groups in Italy, part of the MCI network.

This call, launched by CONFAP, may be complemented by specific Guidelines issued by each one of the participating FAPs. The FAPs define their respective modalities for supporting the present call, by publishing Guidelines, or by providing orientations, therefore they must be consulted before preparing a proposal.

The FAPs associated to this call are listed in section 6.

1 Eligibility

- 1.1. Depending on the modality of support provided by each of the participating FAP, eligible researchers based in universities and research institutions from the Brazilian States participating in this call may be:
- PhD students and/or;
 - Master students and/or;
 - Post-doctoral researchers.
- 1.2. The supporting FAPs, listed under section 6 of the present call, may require additional eligibility criteria, or may not include all the modalities listed above. These additional eligibility criteria will be announced in their respective guidelines, or provided in the orientations given by the FAPs, regarding this call. Applicants must consult their respective FAPs before starting the preparation of their proposals.
- 1.3. All applicants must have a supervisor associated to a university in Italy, part of the MCI network.
- 1.4. **Research opportunities offered by the eligible host institutions in Italy** are presented in the MCI website, under the section dedicated to Research Opportunities in Italy:
<https://site.unibo.it/mobility-confap-italy/en/research-opportunity-offers-in-italy>
- 1.5. Apart from the offers published on the website, Universities part of the MCI network may have other opportunities, therefore they can be consulted directly.
- 1.6. Details of the Italian MCI network are available in the following link:**
<https://site.unibo.it/mobility-confap-italy/en/mci-program/network-of-italian-university>

Italian Universities part of the Network:

- University of Bologna;
- University of Bergamo;

3. Politecnico of Milano;
4. Università Politecnica delle Marche;
5. University of Modena and Reggio Emilia;
6. University of Palermo;
7. University of Padova;
8. University of Pavia;
9. University of Pisa;
10. Sapienza University of Roma;
11. Roma Tor Vergata University;
12. Roma Tre University;
13. University of Siena;
14. Politecnico of Torino;
15. University of Torino;
16. University of Trieste;
17. University of Tuscia;
18. University of Milan;
19. University of Bari;
20. University of Ferrara;
21. University of Udine;
22. University of Verona;
23. Sant'Anna - School of Advanced Studies of Pisa; and,
24. University of Parma.

2 Support offered

- 2.1 Support is offered in the form of Scholarship awards, which may include different funding components, according to the Guidelines or orientations of the respective FAPs supporting this call.
- 2.2 The support offered within the present call may include:
- For Master Students, support offered exclusively for research periods;
 - For Doctoral students, support offered exclusively for research periods;
 - Post-doctoral research.
- 2.3 No tuition fees will be charged by any side for any exchange mobility.
- 2.4 The values of the monthly scholarships will be indicated in the specific Guidelines or orientations provided by the respective FAPs which support the present call. (listed under Item 6 of the present call)
- 2.5 Additional requirements:

In case of mobility in the frame of projects with potential commercial value and from which industrial and intellectual property rights may arise, the host and the sending institutions are required to sign a specific collaboration agreement settling these matters. Such specific collaboration agreements will take into account applicable national legislations and international conventions.

3 How to Apply

- Vacancies in the Italian Universities part of the network are published on the MCI website:
 - <https://site.unibo.it/mobility-confap-italy/en/research-opportunity-offers-in-italy>
- Other Research collaborations may be also consulted, by contacting the MCI network:
 - <https://site.unibo.it/mobility-confap-italy/en/mci-program/network-of-italian-university>
- Applications must be sent within 04th September 2026 at 11:59 (Brasilia time), through the link:
 - <https://sistema.confap.org.br>.
- FAPs may request that the proposals are submitted also in their own platform. To this end, applicants need to verify directly with their FAP.

Project proposals must include the following documents:

1. Project proposal (no pre-fixed template);
2. Curriculum Vitae of the applicant from Brazil;
3. Curriculum Vitae of the Supervisor in Italy;
4. Letter of support signed by the supervisor at the University in Italy.
5. FAPs may request additional requirements and should be consulted by the applicants to this end.

For general information of the call, contact: internacional.confap@gmail.com

4 Selection criteria

- 4.1 All applications will be assessed through a peer review process carried out by each of the participating FAPs, according to the following criteria:
 - a) The quality of the proposed research project.
 - b) The academic performance and specific requirements indicated by the participating FAPs.
 - c) The academic performance of the supervisor at the host institution.
 - d) The record of accomplishment of the applicants, and the host organization in the area of proposed research.
 - e) The expected benefits for the career development of the Applicant.
- 4.2 Each participating FAP may announce its specific selection criteria in their respective Guidelines or orientations given for this call.

5 Timeline

Announcement	10 th June 2026
Deadline for submission	04 th September 2026 at 11:59pm
Final results published by CONFAP	October 2026



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6 Supporting FAPs:

The following Brazilian State Funding Agencies support the present call*:

1. Alagoas – FAPEAL
2. Amazonas - FAPEAM
3. Bahia – FAPESB
4. Ceará – FUNCAP
5. Espírito Santo – FAPES
6. Goiás – FAPEG
7. Maranhão - FAPEMA
8. Pará – FAPESPA
9. Paraná – Fundação Araucária
10. Pernambuco – FACEPE
11. Rio Grande do Sul – FAPERGS
12. Santa Catarina – FAPESC

*Other FAPs may confirm their participation.