

Decreto n. 71

CALL FOR A COMPARATIVE SELECTION PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY ONE RESEARCHER OF KENYAN NATIONALITY

under MUR Public Notice No. 175 of 29 April 2026

“Public notice for funding Transnational Access (TNA) activities and visiting mobility for researchers of Kenyan nationality” – CUP J93C26000820001

Article 1 – Subject matter and purpose

THE UNIVERSITY OF NAPLES FEDERICO II, through the Department of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biotechnology, as the unit involved in implementing the funding awarded to the beneficiary under MUR Public Notice No. 175 of 29 April 2026, hereby launches this procedure.

The purpose of the procedure is to identify one researcher of Kenyan nationality to be admitted to a Transnational Access (TNA) and/or visiting mobility programme at the University of Naples Federico II / Department of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biotechnology, for a total duration of 6 months, corresponding to two slots of 3 months each.

The activities are intended to carry out a research, development and innovation programme consistent with the objectives of MUR Public Notice and the scientific activities of the host unit, under the supervision of a scientific tutor.

Article 2 – Eligibility requirements

By the deadline of this call, applicants must meet the following requirements, failing which they will be excluded:

- a) citizenship of the Republic of Kenya;
- b) enrolment in a doctoral programme (PhD), or possession of a doctoral degree;
- c) as an alternative to the requirement under point b), possession of an equivalent scientific or professional qualification under the legal system of the country of origin, corresponding to a level of education and competence equivalent to Level 8 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and consistent with the planned activities;
- d) established affiliation with, or engagement in research, doctoral training or advanced scientific activities at, a university, research body, academic institution, research centre or other research organisation based in the Republic of Kenya;
- e) adequate knowledge of English for carrying out the scientific activities and participating in the activities of the host unit.

The requirements must be met on the application deadline and maintained throughout the entire period of the activities.

Article 3 – Duration, location and arrangements

The activities will have a total duration of 6 months and will be carried out continuously at the Department of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biotechnology, except for any duly justified interruptions authorised by the competent body.

The mobility period will begin within 30 days of signing the obligation document and must conclude within the terms established by the concession documents and the MUR Notice.

The selected researcher will carry out the activities on the basis of a work program agreed with the scientific tutor, Prof. Gerolama Condorelli, using the facilities and resources made available by the host unit.

Article 4 – Financial contribution and cost coverage

A maximum total contribution of EUR 18,000.00 is available for the position, corresponding to two slots and 6 monthly instalments, calculated according to the standard unit cost established by MUR Public Notice.

The contribution is intended to cover costs related to participation in the activities, including travel, accommodation, subsistence and local transport expenses, and will be managed by the beneficiary in compliance with the Public Notice, the applicable legislation and the relevant implementing provisions.

The specific payment arrangements and timetable, as well as any obligations of the selected person, will be set out in the acceptance document, agreement or hosting contract, where applicable.

The contribution does not automatically constitute an employment relationship or a research grant within the meaning of Italian law.

Article 5 – Application

The application, drawn up in English using the form attached to this call, must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on September 24, using one of the following methods: dip.medic.molecol.biotechmedic@pec.unina.it;

dip.medic.molecol.biotechmedic@unina.it

The subject line must read: “Application – Italy–Kenya Call 2026 – visiting mobility/TNA”.

The application must be signed by the applicant and, failing which the applicant will be excluded, accompanied by the documentation specified in Article 6.

Article 6 – Required documentation

The following must be attached to the application:

- a) a curriculum vitae, written in English, dated and signed;

- b) a copy of a valid identity document or passport;
- c) documentation proving Kenyan citizenship;
- d) a certificate or other documentation proving enrolment in a doctoral program, award of a PhD or possession of an equivalent qualification;
- e) evidence of affiliation with or activities at a research institution based in Kenya;
- f) a research project/activity proposal, written in English, with a maximum length of [NUMBER] pages;
- g) a motivation letter, written in English;
- h) a list of publications and any other research outputs;
- i) any letters of reference.

The host unit reserves the right to request non-substantive supplementary information or clarifications within a mandatory deadline.

Article 7 – Selection Committee and assessment criteria

Applications will be assessed by a Selection Committee appointed by the Director of the Department, composed of experts with appropriate scientific qualifications and expertise in the subject areas covered by the selection procedure.

The Selection Committee will award a maximum of 100 points according to the following criteria:

- a) quality, originality and feasibility of the research project, as well as consistency with the activities of the host unit: up to 40 points;
- b) scientific curriculum, education and training, publications and other research achievements: up to 30 points;
- c) relevance of the applicant's experience to the mobility objectives and potential impact of the Italy–Kenya collaboration: up to 20 points;
- d) motivation and ability to capitalize on the results of the experience at the home institution: up to 10 points.

Applicants who score at least 60/100 will be included in the ranking list. In the event of a tie, priority will be given to the applicant with the higher score under criterion a). The Selection Committee may arrange an interview in English, including remotely, if it considers this necessary; in that event, applicants will be informed of the arrangements.

Article 8 – Approval of the procedure and identification of the selected applicant

At the end of the assessment, the Selection Committee will draw up the ranking list. The procedure documents will be approved by decision of the Director of the Department.

The applicant ranked first will be identified as the beneficiary of the position. In the event of withdrawal, disqualification or a subsequent impediment, the next eligible applicant on the ranking list may be selected, within the period of validity of the ranking list and subject to the availability of funds.

The actual commencement of the mobility period is subject to verification of the declared requirements, receipt of the documentation required for entry into and residence in Italy, and completion of the additional formalities required under the MUR Public Notice and the grant documentation.

Article 9 – Obligations of the selected researcher

The selected researcher must:

- a) carry out the approved program of activities regularly and continuously;
- b) comply with the organisational and safety rules of the host unit;
- c) cooperate with the scientific tutor and participate in monitoring activities;
- d) produce a final report on the activities carried out and any scientific deliverables;
- e) promptly report any circumstance that may affect the commencement, proper conduct or completion of the mobility period;
- f) comply with the obligations laid down in the hosting agreement or contract and in the applicable legislation.

Article 10 – Processing of personal data

The personal data provided by applicants will be processed solely for purposes connected with managing the procedure and implementing the activities, in compliance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and the applicable national legislation.

The privacy notice concerning the processing of personal data is attached to this call or made available on the institutional website of the Department of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biotechnology.

Article 11 – Publication and communications

This call is published on the institutional website of the University and of Department of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biotechnology in the section [<https://www.mmbm.unina.it>; <https://www.unina.it/it/ateneo/concorsi-e-borse-di-studio/contratti-di-ricerca>], as well as through any additional dissemination channels considered suitable to ensure adequate international publicity.

All communications concerning the procedure will be made via [email dip.medic.molecol.biotechmedic@unina.it](mailto:dip.medic.molecol.biotechmedic@unina.it). Publication on the institutional website constitutes formal notification for all purposes.

Article 12 – Procedure officer and information

The officer responsible for the procedure is Dott.ssa ALBANESE Annunziata

Article 13 – Final provisions

For matters not expressly provided for in this call, the provisions of MUR Public Notice No. 175 of 29 April 2026, the grant documentation and the applicable national and European legislation will apply.

The issuing body reserves the right to amend, extend, suspend, withdraw or cancel the procedure in response to subsequent organisational, administrative or regulatory requirements, without applicants being entitled to assert any claim or right of any kind.

Napoli, 2/09/2026

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ANNEX A – APPLICATION FORM

Subject: Application – Italy–Kenya Call 2026 – visiting mobility/TNA

I, the undersigned, [FULL NAME], born in [PLACE] on [DATE], a Kenyan citizen, hereby apply to participate in the comparative selection procedure for one 6-month visiting mobility/TNA position.

For this purpose, I declare that I meet the requirements set out in the call and attach the required documentation.

Place and date _____ Signature _____