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- In accordance with Law no. 168 dated 9.05.1989;
- In accordance with Decree of the Premier of 30.04.1997 and its subsequent amendments;
- In accordance with Law no. 210 of 3.07.1998;
- In accordance with the regulations pertaining to Ph.D.s adopted on 30.04.1999 with Ministerial Decree no. 224;
- In accordance with the resolution approved by the Academic Senate in its meeting of
- In accordance with the resolution approved by the Board of Directors in its meeting of

HEREBY DECREES:

Article 1

The Politecnico di Milano has initiated the competition for admission into the 26th cycle of the Ph.D. Courses listed below. The number of positions as well as the number of available scholarships, the number of scholarships for special initiatives and the number of surplus positions available for non-EU citizens and for employees of companies or external institutions not on leave (Executive Ph.D., Article 7) are specified for each Ph.D.

Additional positions and scholarships may become available before the completion of the competition, subject to all deadlines for application on the part of applicants for the competition for admission and the delivery of the relative documentation required by Article 3 below.

For the purposes of effectively activating a Ph.D. Course, the minimum number of applicants registered for the Ph.D. may not be less than three.

The call for applications is open to European and non-EU citizens. Displaced individuals are considered non-EU citizens not belonging to an EU member state.

Admission to the Ph.D. Courses will be determined on the basis of an assessment of the educational CV, a motivation letter, and a composition illustrating the development of a possible Ph.D. research project which the applicants must send at the time of their registration for the competition, according to Article 5 below.

With the exceptions established in Article 7 below, the Ph.D. Course requires a three years commitment.

TITLE OF Ph.D. COURSE	POSITIONS (*)	of which SCHOLARSHIPS (**)	of which SCHOLARSHIPS for SPECIAL INITIATIVES	SURPLUS POSITIONS for non-EU citizens (***)	SURPLUS POSITIONS for Executive PhD (****)
Rotary-wing aircrafts	6	3	- Augusta S.p.A. (3 scholarships)	3	3
Interior Design	6	3		3	
Architecture, Urban Design, Conservation of Housing and Landscape	6	3		3	
Bioengineering	12	6		6	3
Industrial Chemistry and Chemical Engineering	10	5		5	5
Architectural Composition	8	4		4	
Preservation of Architectural Heritage	6	3		3	
Design	12	6		6	2
Physics					
Area 1. Laser Physics, Photonic devices and applications	2	1		1	
Area 2. Ultrafast photonics from near-infrared to XUV and applications to physics of matter	4	2		2	
Area 3. Solid state physics: advanced spectroscopy, scanning probe microscopy, nanostrutture fabrication	2	1		1	
Territorial Design and Government	6	3		2	
Aerospace Engineering					
Area 1. Aerodynamics and Fluid Mechanics	2	1		1	1
Area 2. Aeroservoelasticity, Flight Mechanics and Aircraft Operations	2	1		1	1
Area 3. Aerospace Systems and Propulsion	2	1		1	1
Area 4. Structures and Materials	2	1		1	1
Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering	10	5		3	2
Materials Engineering	8	4		4	4
Building Engineering	6	3		3	2
Information Technology					
Area 1. Computer Science and Engineering	20	10		2	2
Area 2. Electronics	10	5		1	1
Area 3. Systems and Control	8	4		1	1
Area 4. Telecommunications	10	5		1	1

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Electrical Engineering	8	4	-ERSE S.p.A. (1 scholarship)	4	4
Management, Economics and Industrial Engineering	14	7		7	7
Mechanical Engineering					
Area 1. Dynamics and vibration of mechanical systems and vehicles	2	1		1	1
Area 2. Machine and vehicle design	2	1		1	1
Area 3. Manufacturing and Production Systems	2	1		1	1
Area 4. Methods and tools for Product design	2	1		1	1
Area 5. Materials	2	1		1	1
Area 6. Measurements and experimental techniques	2	1		1	1
Structural Seismic and Geotechnical Engineering	10	5	-Istituto Lombardo di scienze e lettere in memoria di Leo Finzi (1 scholarship)	5	5
Mathematical Models and Methods in Engineering					
Area 1. Mathematical Models and Methods in Engineering	4	2		2	2
Area 2. Mathematical Models and Methods for Life Sciences	2	1		1	1
Area 3. Mathematical Models and Methods in Materials Science	2	1		1	1
Area 4. Mathematical Models and Methods for Earth and Environmental Sciences	2	1		1	1
Urban and Architectural Design	6	3		3	
Design and Technologies Exploitation for the Cultural Heritage	6	3		2	
Energetic and Nuclear Science and Technology	18	9	- Istituto Fisica del Plasma CNR (1 scholarship)	3	3
Spatial Planning and Urban Development	7	4	- IRSA/CNR (1 scholarship)	2	
Technology and Design for Environment and Building	6	3		3	2

(*) If positions with or without scholarships become available after the admission competition or at the end of the registration period, these positions may be re-distributed by the Ph.D. School..

(**) The research areas and topics within which the scholarships are activated and the relative specific activities and economic conditions can be consulted at the page, "List of Ph.D.s and educational offer" of the website of the Ph.D. School <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4586>

(***) Surplus positions, reserved for non-EU citizens or individuals with dual citizenship (both EU and non-EU) following the payment of taxes and contributions for admission and tuition, are in excess of those specified within the "positions" column

(****) Surplus positions, reserved for employees of companies or external institutions not on leave, following the payment of taxes and contributions for admission and tuition, are in excess of those specified within the "positions" column

Article 2
(Requirements for participation in the competition)

The following individuals may file an application to participate in the competition for admission to a Ph.D. Course: Italians or foreign citizens or individuals with dual citizenship that possess a degree attained as a result of the regulations preceding the Ministerial Decree no. 509 of 3.11.1999, or a Specialized Degree attained in compliance with Ministerial Decree no. 509 of 3.11.1999, or a Master's Degree attained in compliance with Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22.10.2004, or an equivalent academic degree attained abroad and which is comparable to the Italian degree in terms of duration and content in addition to being recognized in advance by the academic authorities of competence.

If the foreign degree has been declared equivalent to the Italian degree, the applicants must specify the Italian university and the date of the rectorial decree which declares the equivalency of the degree.

On the other hand - and if the foreign degree has not yet been declared equivalent to the Italian degree - the applicants must file an explicit request for attaining this recognition of equivalence within the application for participation in the competition; in addition, they must present all documents that may be necessary for the Faculty Committee of the selected Ph.D. Course to deliberate with regard to the recognition of the foreign academic degree and for the sole purposes of admission to this Ph.D.

Individuals who have not attained a degree at the time of the deadline for the competition registration may also file an application for participation in the competition for admission. After the evaluation by the Admission Committee, the possible matriculation to Ph.D. Courses of applicants which have not attained a degree at the time of the deadline for the competition registration will be assigned "subject to verification".

The latter condition will only be waived if a degree certificate, acquired within 31.12.2010, is sent to the Research School by and not later than the final deadline of 10 January 2011.

All individuals registered within the competition for admission must also produce – by September 30th, 2010 – a certificate, issued by an official certifying body, of attainment of knowledge of the English language at level B2 or higher, in accordance with the parameters outlined in the following table:

TEST	LEVEL B2
BRITISH INSTITUTES	Minimum level: - First Examination Master in English Language - First Examination Master in English Language Vantage - Vantage
CAMBRIDGE	Minimum level: FCE – C
CAMBRIDGE IELTS (International English Language Testing System)	Minimum level: level 5
ETS - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)	paper based (total score): ≥ 497
ETS - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)	computer based (total score): ≥ 170
ETS - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)	Internet based (total score): ≥ 59
ETS - TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication - Listening and Reading Test)	≥ 600
TRINITY COLLEGE LONDON	Minimum level: ISE II

For the purposes of admission to this competition, the results of the above mentioned tests will be taken into account, regardless of the date of attainment of the results themselves.

Such certification must reach the Ph.D. Research Service not later than 30 September 2010.

The following applicants are exempted from certifying a level B2 knowledge of the English language: citizens of countries in which English is an official language and applicants who have attained a high school diploma or who have already attained or will attain a Bachelor's or Master's degree within an institution in which all teaching activity is carried out in English. These applicants must attach all relevant documentation as evidence of the above.

Article 3
(Admission Applications)

Applications for admission to the competition – one for each Ph.D. Course applied for – and the corresponding attached documentation must be drafted and sent exclusively in electronic format by May 25, 2010 via the on-line procedure available at the website, www.phd-admission.polimi.it

The specified deadline is to be considered final.

The applicant is responsible for verifying the correct completion of the procedure and no claims will be accepted for any malfunctions of the IT system.

In the application for admission, the applicant declares the following under his/her own responsibility:

- general information, date and place of birth, place of residence and address selected for the purposes of the competition (specifying the ZIP code, telephone number, skype contact, and e-mail address). The applicant also commits to promptly communicating any changes to his/her place of residence and/or contacts;
- citizenship;
- attained educational degree (see Article 2), specifying: the date of attainment of the educational degree, the university from which this degree was attained, the official duration of the studies, a list of exams undertaken during the course of studies and the relative grades, the grading scale used for the exams, the overall grade point average (GPA) and the relative GPA scale, the title of the degree thesis, a summary of the thesis topic (maximum 1,000 characters) and the name of the thesis supervisor;

or,

- the academic qualification (see Article 2) attained from a foreign university and declared to be equivalent to an Italian degree, specifying: the date of attainment of the educational degree, the university from which this degree was attained, the official duration of studies, a list of exams undertaken during the course of the studies and the relative grades, the grading scale used for the exams, the overall grade point average (GPA) and the relative GPA scale, the title of the degree thesis, a summary of the thesis topic (maximum 1,000 characters), the name of the thesis supervisor as well as the date of the rectorial decree which declares the equivalency of the degree. In the case that the foreign degree is not declared equivalent to an Italian degree, send a request for equivalence – in conjunction with any useful documentation—to the Faculty Committee of the Ph.D. Course for which admission is requested in order to allow the Faculty Committee in question to deliberate on the equivalency of the degree for the sole purposes of admission to this Ph.D.;

or,

- that he/she expects to attain an Italian Degree (see Article 2) (or equivalent degree) by 31.12.2010, specifying the university from which this degree will be attained, the official duration of studies, a list of exams undertaken during the course of studies (until the time of registration) and the relative grades, the grading scale used for the exams, the list of exams which must still be taken (specifying the total number, the name of each individual exam and the relative educational credits), a summary of the provisional thesis topic (maximum 8,000 characters) and the name of the thesis supervisor;
- the Ph.D. Course for which the applicant intends to compete for admission with a relative description of the reasons for applying to the selected Ph.D. course (max 2,500 characters);
- that he/she possesses a certificate attesting the knowledge of the English language at the B2 level (as specified in Article 2 of this call for applications);

or,

- that he/she will produce without fail – by the deadline of 30.09.2010 – a certificate attesting the knowledge of the English language at the B2 level (as specified in Article 2 of this call for applications).

He/she declares:

- to commit to attending the Ph.D., in accordance with the provisions of this call, the Regulations of the Politecnico di Milano concerning Ph.D. Courses as well as the procedures determined by the Faculty Committee
- to authorize the competent offices to handle, communicate, distribute and disclose his/her personal data, even by means of the modalities provided for by Article 8 of this call for applications and in accordance with Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30.06.2003 ("Personal Data Protection Code").
- (if applicable) to be an employee of the Company/Body (insert name of Company/Body)
- (if applicable) to be available to participate in an Executive PhD programme.

He/she specifies for which research areas (max. 2 with order of preference) he/she intends to compete, amongst those possibly proposed in the specific Ph.D. course for which the application for admission to the competition is compiled (see illustrative tables of research areas which may be consulted at the page "Ph.D. list and education offer" on the Ph.D. School web site: <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4586>).

He/she attaches to the online application a CV, and the following documents (in pdf format):

- 1) illustrative composition describing the development of a research project, (in case the offer of the specific Ph.D. course for which he/she declares to compete is specified in terms of research areas, one composition must be attached for each research area to which he/she is applying, for a maximum of two) drawn up according to the predisposed format (note moreover that the research illustrated in the documents sent on application to the admission competition does not necessarily represent that which will be developed during the Ph.D. itself; in case of admission, the Ph.D. research project to be effectively carried out will be defined at a later date and approved by the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D., after having initiated Ph.D. activity, according to the regulations of the Ph.D. School);
- 2) list of publications (if any) of the three years prior to expiry of the application deadline; the two most significant publications should be attached in pdf format;
- 3) documentation concerning the academic qualification (either attained or yet to be attained) required for admission to the competition and declared in the application and in the CV;
- 4) any potential documentation certifying the attainment of other academic degrees declared within the CV;
- 5) a certificate attesting the knowledge of the English language at the B2 level (as specified in Article 2 of this call for applications); or any official documentation which may be useful for exempting the applicant from certification of knowledge of the English language at the B2 level;
- 6) certifications (if any) attesting the knowledge of the other languages declared in the CV;
- 7) names (if any, max. 2) of referring professors, complete with postal address, e-mail address, skype contact, and telephone number;
- 8) certification (if any) of the GRE or GMAT undertaken in the two years preceding the expiration date of the call for applications;
- 9) official documents (if any) which may be deemed useful by the Faculty Committee for deliberating on the equivalence of the attained (or to be attained) educational degree from a foreign university, for the sole purposes of admission to the Ph.D. Course;
- 10) a duly undersigned photocopy of the identification document; a photocopy of the passport is required for non-EU citizens;
- 11) tax identification code (mandatory for Italian applicants, if possessed by foreign applicants; the latter will have to regularize their positions, in any case, at the time of registration);
- 12) photocopy of the receipt of payment of the fee of € 25.82.

The fee of € 25.82 is due for each application presented.

Payment of the fee may be made by means of one of the following procedures:

- 1) Bank transfer to bank account no. 000001600X69 in the name of the Politecnico di Milano, BANCA POPOLARE DI SONDRIO – Branch Office no. 21 (international SWIFT code POSOIT22 - IBAN IT34T0569601620000001600X69), specifying the following as the description for the payment: "APPLICATION FEE FOR ADMISSION TO THE COMPETITION FOR THE PH.D. COURSE in (specify the title of the Ph.D. course), 26th CYCLE";
- 2) Online payment by credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express): instructions are available at the website, <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4574>

The abovementioned documents must be attached to the on-line application in pdf format.

All presented documents must be drafted in English or Italian. Any requested documents which are drafted in another language (degree certificates, completed exams, grades and any other required information) must be translated into Italian or English by the diplomatic or consular delegation of competence, or by an official translator.

The candidate declares, under his/her responsibility and in full awareness of the penal sanctions foreseen in case of false declarations, that all the documentation sent on line corresponds to the original and commits to prove so by exhibiting the original documents upon request.

The Administration reserves the right to request, at any time, that the original copies of the documents sent through the online procedure be produced and to proceed with the exclusion of candidates from selection and from the Ph.D. should the declarations and documentation presented turn out to be false.

The university Administration may, at any time and with a justified provision, exclude applicants from the selection process if they do not possess the requirements provided for in this call for applications.

Article 4
(Admission Committee)

Admission Committees relative to competitions for admission to the Ph.D. Courses listed in Article 1 are established in compliance with Article 5 of Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30.04.1999 and the regulations pertaining to Ph.D. Courses of the Politecnico di Milano.

Article 5
(Admissions Procedures)

Applicants who are duly registered in the competition – whether Italian, foreign or with dual citizenship – are admitted to the Ph.D. Course following an assessment of qualifications by the Admission Committee.

The assessment of qualifications for admission to the selected Ph.D. Course depends on the review of the quality of the applicant as well as his/her aptitude for research within the scientific ambit of the research areas of such Ph.D. for which the applicant has indicated the desire to compete for (see Article 3 above), as emerges from his/her CV, the motivation letter providing reasons of interest in the research, and the illustrative document of the development of a possible research in the area of the Ph.D. course applied for, sent together with the application (it is to be reminded that the research illustrated in the documents sent on application to the admission competition does not necessarily represent that which will be developed during the Ph.D. itself; in case of admission, the Ph.D. research project to be effectively carried out will be defined at a later date and approved by the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D., after having started the Ph.D. activity, according to the regulations of the Ph.D. School).

The 100 points available to the Committee for evaluation of each candidate are divided as follows:

- curriculum: max. 50 points;
- motivation letter: max. 15 points;
- illustrative document of the development of a possible research in the area of the Ph.D. course applied for: max. 35 points.

The applicant is considered as qualified if he/she attains a total score of at least 60 out of 100 points.

Article 6
(Types of positions)

The Ph.D. positions listed in Article 1 of this call for applications fall under the following categories:

- a) positions with Ph.D. scholarships awarded by the Politecnico di Milano. These scholarships are open to citizens that are not subject to employment or independent contractor contracts or public employees or public employees on leave.
- b) positions without Ph.D. scholarships awarded by the Politecnico di Milano and with the payment of taxes and fees for admissions and tuition. These scholarships are open to citizens **that are not subject to employment or independent contractor contracts (compensation in the form of university research checks or compensation disbursed from national, EU or international public institutions) or public employees** or public employees without leave; in the latter case, the applicant must be undergoing the Executive Ph.D. program (in accordance with the modalities and deadlines provided for by Article 7 below);

Successful candidates, if employees, must take leave except in the case of Executive Ph.D.'s; should they have independent contractor contracts (outdoor University) or be self employed they may maintain this status only subject to authorisation by the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D. course; should they intend to activate an independent contractor contract (outdoor University) during the Ph.D. they must obtain prior authorisation of the Faculty Committee.

- c) surplus positions for non-EU citizens and employees of companies or external institutions not on leave (Executive Ph.D., Article 7), without Ph.D. scholarships awarded by the Politecnico di Milano and with the payment of taxes and fees for admissions and tuition. The total number of surplus positions may not exceed 100% of the overall scholarships that are made available by the Ph.D. Course for the 26th Cycle.

As mentioned above, after the start of the Ph.D. course and subject to authorisation of the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D. course, the Ph.D. student regularly admitted to one of the positions a) to c) may carry out independent contractor contract activity in support of teaching and research, within the limits established by the Regulations of the Ph.D. School.

Winning candidates can do a limited activity of continuous and coordinated collaboration to support teaching and research within the Politecnico di Milano.

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Article 7
**(Ph.D. positions in partnership with companies and external institutions:
Executive Ph.D.)**

In order to promote interaction and integration between university research and the growth and innovation of companies and external institutions, the Ph.D. School of the Politecnico di Milano may create Ph.D. positions in partnership with companies and external institutions (Executive Ph.D.).

The Executive Ph.D. program has been designed for the purposes of:

- solving research problems that are of interest to companies and external institutions;
- developing knowledge for the enrichment, growth and innovation of companies and external institutions;
- offering professional growth paths for brilliant and motivated employees, thereby increasing the staff retention capacities of external companies and institutions.

The Executive PhD program requires a structured commitment typically lasting four years.

The educational objectives, the research activities and any associated costs for the external company or institution will be established in agreement between the company/institution to which the winning applicant belongs and the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D. course.

An employee of a company or external institution that is admitted to the Ph.D. course but who does not attain a period of leave from his/her company or external institution in order to complete the Ph.D. programme must necessarily enrol in an Executive Ph.D. position to be carried out in agreement between the Ph.D. School and the Company or external Institution in question (as specified in Article 8 below) and is not qualified to receive the scholarship disbursed by the Politecnico di Milano (as specified in Article 9 below).

The employee must explicitly indicate his status upon course enrolment.

Article 8
(Registration Procedures)

At the end of its review process, each Admission Committee will provide a document containing the results attained by each applicant during the assessment for admission pursuant to Article 5. These results are useful for determining the number of positions subject to scholarships from the Politecnico di Milano and those not subject to scholarship, including any surplus positions, until all available positions are filled and qualified applicants not admitted.

A ranking will be drawn up for each research area of the Ph.D. subject to evaluation of qualifications (see Article 1); positions are assigned according to this ranking.

Evaluation results will be published by July 30, 2010 on the website <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4576>

All applicants who are approved for admission **and who have attained the required educational qualification must register from September 8th to 30th, 2010** – subject to penalty of losing their right to admission to the Ph.D. course – and must provide the appropriate office with:

- 1) the request for registration in the Ph.D. course for which they have been accepted;
- 2) certification of knowledge of the English language at the B2 level, in accordance with Article 2 (if not already presented by 25.05.2010);
- 3) two recent passport size photographs;
- 4) a duly undersigned photocopy of the applicant's identification document; a photocopy of the passport is required for non-EU citizens
- 5) tax identification number

If the applicant is admitted to the Ph.D. for a position without a scholarship disbursed by the Politecnico di Milano or for a surplus position – and in both cases with the payment of taxes and fees for admission and

tuition – the following is also required:

- 6) a copy of the receipt of payment of the first instalment of taxes and fees, totalling € 618.00

This documentation must be sent by the **final deadline of 30.09.2010** by means of:

1. hand delivery to the Ph.D. Service of the Politecnico di Milano, Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 26 - Milan (Monday to Friday, from 9 am to 1 pm)

or

2. a registered letter addressed to the Rector of the Politecnico di Milano, Piazza Leonardo da Vinci, 32 – 20133 Milan, Italy. In this case, the **stamp date of receipt by the appropriate Offices of the Politecnico di Milano** – and not the date of shipment of the postal package – shall be applicable. The documentation can be sent in advance by fax to the fax no. +39-02-2399.9700 along with a copy of the applicant's identification number or a copy of the passport.

All applicants who are approved for admission, **but which have not yet attained the required educational qualification by September 30th, 2010, must fill and out and send the following (by the same deadline of 30.09.2010 and according to the same procedures specified above):**

1. **attachment A** for the purposes of accepting the admission upon the condition of that provided for in Article 2;
2. certification of knowledge of the English language at the B2 level, in accordance with Article 2 (if not already presented by 25/05/2010).

Any applicants who have not yet attained the required educational qualification by September 30th, 2010 must register in accordance with the abovementioned specifications by the final deadline of 10 January 2011 and at the same time present the appropriate documentation certifying the attainment of this qualification. The documentation must be sent in accordance with the abovementioned procedures.

Any documentation received after 10.01.2011, the abovementioned final deadline, cannot be taken into consideration, thereby resulting in automatic exclusion from the Ph.D. Course.

Payment of registration fees may be made by means of one of the following:

- 1) Bank transfer to bank account no. 000001600X69 in the name of the Politecnico di Milano, BANCA POPOLARE DI SONDRIO – Branch Office no. 21 (international SWIFT code POSOIT22 - IBAN IT34T0569601620000001600X69), specifying the following as the description for the payment: "**FIRST INSTALMENT OF TAXES AND FEES FOR THE RESEARCH PH.D. in (specify the title of the Ph.D.), 26th CYCLE**";
- 2) Online payment by credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express): instructions are available at the website <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4574>

The second instalment for the settlement of the balance, totalling € 882.00, must be paid using the same procedures by 30.06.2011.

Failure to comply with the above provisions will result in the exclusion from enrolment in the Ph.D. Course.

If a position becomes free due to renouncement of an applicant admitted in a ranking corresponding to a research area of a Ph.D. course, the applicant in the next approved position in the same ranking, which by 30.09.2010 has delivered certification of knowledge of English at level B2 or higher (according to parameters of the table pursuant to Article 2 of this call) will take his/her place; replacement timing is described in the table below :

Deadline for the first registration phase for applicants who have already attained a degree and conditional acceptance of positions for applicants that have not yet attained a degree	30/09/2010
1st replacement: publication of list of replacing applicants	20/10/2010
1st replacement: deadline for registration/position acceptance of the first group of available replacement applicants	29/10/2010
Deadline for the second registration phase for applicants previously conditionally accepted given that they had not yet attained a degree	10/01/2011

2 nd replacement: publication of list of replacement applicants	18/01/2011
2 nd replacement: last deadline for registration of second group of replacement applicants	25/01/2011

Applicants who do not register for acceptance of positions within the deadlines established for each phase will be considered to have renounced such positions. Registration requests presented with procedures other than those described above will not be accepted.

Multiple registrations on more than one Ph.D. Course in the same or different Universities are prohibited. An applicant who has been accepted for more than one Ph.D. Course must choose to register to only one of them. Multiple registrations for a Ph.D. Course and a Bachelor of Science, or a Specialisation School or Course. or university Master of Science are prohibited.

Applicants registered in Specialisation Schools and who are accepted into a Ph.D. Course must suspend their current studies in the course until the Ph.D. Course is completed.

Registration of employees of private companies and external institutions is regulated by Article 7 (Executive Ph.D.)

Article 9 (Scholarships)

Scholarships disbursed by the Politecnico di Milano have a maximum duration of three years and are confirmed on an annual basis following a resolution for approval for the subsequent year on the part of the Faculty Committees of the individual Ph.D. Courses. The basic amount of the scholarship is equal to € 13,638.47 per year, gross of any social security charges, in addition to any potential increases provided for under law. With regards to scholarships funded by Ministerial funds (i.e. not through agreements with external institutions), the scholarship amount may be supplemented by the Department of reference of the Ph.D., in accordance with that declared in the description brochures of the research areas available at <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4586>

In addition, the basic amount of the scholarship will be increased by 50% in proportion and in relation to the allowed periods of stay (with a duration of more than one month) within foreign universities or research institutions, as authorized by the Faculty Committee of the Ph.D. Course.

The amount of taxes and fees may be adjusted on an annual basis.

Applicants receiving research compensation or salaries from national or foreign institutions may not combine these amounts with the scholarship for participation in the research Ph.D..

Scholarship for participation in research Ph.D.s are subject to the provisions relative to tax benefits pursuant to Article 4 of Law no. 476 of 13.08.1984 and subsequent regulatory provisions.

Scholarships may not be combined with other scholarships, regardless of the reason for their conferral, with the exception of those disbursed by national or foreign institutions for the integration of training or research activities by means of stays abroad.

Applicants who have received a scholarship for even just one year may not apply for the scholarship a second time.

A public employee accepted on a Ph.D. course with a scholarship must be approved for a leave of absence in order to receive the scholarship and, at the time of registration, must deliver the relative documentation certifying the attainment of this leave of absence. On the other hand, if the applicant has not received a scholarship and attains a leave of absence, he/she will continue to receive the social security and retirement contributions from the public administration with which he/she was employed.

An employee of a company or private entity accepted on a Ph.D. course with a scholarship must be approved for a leave of absence in order to receive the scholarship and, at the time of registration, must deliver the relative documentation certifying the attainment of this leave of absence. On the other hand, if the applicant has not received a leave of absence from the company or private entity, he/she does not retain the right to receive a scholarship: in this case, the implementation of the Ph.D. must be structured as a program in partnership with the company or private entity (Executive Ph.D. , Article 7).

In addition to and in compliance with Article 8 of the Decree of the Premier of 9.4.2001, applicants who receive scholarships from autonomous regions or provinces, or foreign students receiving scholarships from the Italian government – within the ambit of programs for development cooperation and cultural and scientific inter-governmental agreements, as well as any relative periodical executive programs – are exempted from the payment of registration taxes and university fees.

Accident insurance premiums, stamp duties and any taxes foreseen by current legislation are automatically

Article 10
(Registration obligation and attendance)

The beginning of activities of the 26th cycle of Ph.D. courses is established for 01.01.2011; however, those registered prior to this date may follow courses and anticipate Ph.D. education activities and obtain acknowledgement of education credits according to that established by the Faculty Committee of the reference Ph.D.

At the start of each year, the PhD applicant must present a formal registration request and pay any taxes and fees due.

Registered applicants are required to attend the courses of the Ph.D. and must continually – on a full-time basis (with the exception of those registered in Executive Ph.D.) – implement study and research activities within the facilities assigned for this purpose, in accordance with the modalities determined by the Faculty Committee.

The teaching format and educational contents of the Ph.D. courses are determined in compliance with the Regulations of the Politecnico di Milano pertaining to Ph.D.s; these regulations can be consulted at the website.

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Article 11
(Attainment of the Ph.D. qualification)

The qualification of Ph.D. is granted by the Rector of the Polytechnic to the applicant who has, at the end of the course, attained results of significant scientific value and who are documented by means of a final written thesis or graphical work. These results are ascertained by a Commission that is established in accordance with Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30.04.1999 and the Ph.D. regulations of this university,

The issue of a certificate attesting the attainment of the qualification is subordinate to the applicant's registration of the final thesis in digital format, in addition to any required printed copies, within the archives of the University. The University is then responsible for registering the thesis, in accordance with the law, with the National Universities of Rome and Florence. A brief synopsis of the contents of the thesis (1,500 characters or less), drafted in English, is also required for inclusion within the website of the University.

Article 12
(Norms of reference)

For all that which is not explicitly reported within this call for applications, reference is made to the norms contained within Law no. 28 dated 21.02.1980, Decree of the President of the Republic no. 382 dated 11.07.1980, Law no. 298 dated 30.11.1989, Law no. 210 dated 3.07.1998, Ministerial Decree no. 224 dated 30.04.1999, the Regulations of the Politecnico di Milano pertaining to Ph.D. Courses as well as any other relevant provisions contained within current legislation.

For additional information, contact the Ph.D. School of the Politecnico di Milano - Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 26 - 20133 Milan, Italy (*from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 1 pm*) tel. +39 02 2399.9758-9779-9798-9747, fax +39 02 2399.9700.

This call for applications will be sent to the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research and will be published on the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic. It may also be consulted at the website, <http://www.ricerca.polimi.it/index.php?id=4572>

Milan, 5th March 2010

THE RECTOR
Prof. Giulio BALLIO

Competition for admission to the Ph.D. XXVI cycle.....

Attachment A

The undersigned.....born in.....resident in

having participated in the selection for admission to the Ph.D. in _____
_____ its XXVI cycle

Research Area (if any) _____

and having been approved for inclusion in the list of accepted applicants, hereby

declares

to accept the conditional admission and commits, pursuant to Article 2 of the call for Ph.D. applications no.831 prot. n.5698 dated 05/03/2010 to attain qualification by 31.12.2010 and to present it to the Ph.D. Service by the final deadline of **10.01.2011**, in accordance with the procedures established in Article 8 of the call for applications itself,

and also declares to be aware of the fact

that any documentation received by the Ph.D. Service after 10.01.2011 will not be taken into consideration and will be automatically excluded from the Ph.D. Course without the possibility of putting forth any claim

and finally declares

that – by the same date of 10.01.2011 – he/she commits to filing the registration request along with documentation certifying the attainment of the requested qualification in addition to paying the registration fee, if applicable.

The following are attached:

- certification of knowledge of the English language at the B2 level, in accordance with Article 2 (if not already presented by 25/05/2010);
- a duly undersigned photocopy of the applicant's identification document; a photocopy of the passport is required for non-EU citizens.

Date

Signature