

CINTIA RESEARCH GRANTS

In accordance with the rules of the CINTIA Center and of the Department of Economics of Ca' Foscari University, under the Departmental Decree 504/2015, Ref. 35477, July 16th 2015, CINTIA is advertising a competition for Research Grants.

Deadline for draft proposal: **September 15th, 2015**

Cintia supports innovative academic research on *all aspects of the social sciences* related to aging, pensions and retirement. Cintia offers Research Grants on the following topics:

- Risk Management during the Working Life
- Risk Management during the Retirement Years
- Retirement Decisions and Financial Decisions at Retirement
- Supervision of Fully Funded Pensions: Solvency and Transparency
- Risk Sharing and Distribution among Generations: Full Funding, Pay-as-you-go, Taxation
- The Labour Market
- Heterogeneity within Generations and the Position of Senior Citizens

The total budget amount is **€ 100,000** (to be allocated to at most two projects). The project lasts **12 months, starting November 1st, 2015**.

Main characteristics

Funding for:

- the appointment of a post-doc researcher (maximum of €45,000 per researcher)
- data collection
- software purchases
- travelling and accommodation for participation to **Cintia** conferences

Expenditure for equipment purchases and other travelling expenses are excluded.

Requirements

- An *industry-oriented publication* has to be produced during the project.
- The project team consists of academic researchers, *and possibly staff members from an industry partner*.
- Project team members will present their research output at Cintia events.
- *Project team members are expected to participate in task forces meetings when writing industry-oriented Cintia publication*

Selection Criteria

- The proposal must link up with one of the research topics specified above.
- The proposal must involve a research network where at least a partner of the Cintia Centre is present(*). Researchers from other Universities/Centres/Institutions can be part of the network.
- The application must be submitted by Cintia partner university/institution, which is responsible for the administration if the grant is awarded, in conjunction with the other partners.
- The network must have at least three nodes.
- The project preferably has an industry partner participating in it.
- The project must involve high-quality academic research and have a clear link to the pension and or financial market practice.
- The project must involve the appointment of a highly talented post-doc researcher.

Application Requirements

Proposals for a Research Grant must contain the following documents:

- Completed Application Form
- Detailed Description of the Proposal
- Budget Plan, in accordance with the prescribed format
- Output Commitments/ Deliverables, in accordance with the prescribed format
- CVs of the applicant and all project members

Only applications in accordance with this format will be accepted for the selection procedure.

Selection Process

- Applications are evaluated for academic quality by an independent Scientific Council. In this evaluation round at least three members of the Scientific Council will judge and grade the academic quality of the proposals. Proposals have to get an average of 3.5 points (out of 5) in order to be considered for funding.
- *Grants are awarded by the Cintia Board.*

Timetable for 2015

September 15th	Deadline for submitting applications
October 15th	Evaluation by the Scientific Council
October 30th	Formal decision by the Cintia Board

Submission

Applications must be sent in pdf to: ricerca.economia@unive.it (Ms. Federica Pozzana) **and** to segreteria@cintia-italy.it

Or: Submit to Cintia –Ms Federica Pozzana– Department of Economics – San Giobbe 873 – 30121 Venice – Italy and mention *Application for Cintia Grant Project - Decree 504/2015, Ref. 35477, July 16th 2015* - in the subject line (applications must be received within September 15th).

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Bocconi University – Milan

Ca' Foscari University of Venice

University of Bologna

University of Padua

University of Turin

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