



## Appel à candidature pour Thèse de Doctorat – UNITA Universitas Montium Project

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### Appel à candidature – Contrat doctoral – UNITA projet Universitas Montium

Le terme UNITA renvoie au projet d'une intégration plus étroite des activités académiques de six universités (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, Université Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior et Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour). Le sous-titre latin Universitas Montium souligne le point commun des universités UNITA : les langues romanes et l'engagement à promouvoir la diversité linguistique.

Un des axes du projet est précisément le développement du multilinguisme roman à travers la pratique de l'intercompréhension, développement qui doit permettre de catalyser les échanges entre les acteurs du réseau (enseignants, étudiants, instances).

Dans le cadre de ce projet est prévu le financement d'un contrat doctoral à partir de novembre 2020. L'objectif est d'appuyer sur le plan scientifique ce développement à grande échelle de l'intercompréhension comme pratique linguistique et pratique didactique, afin d'en permettre à terme l'optimisation dans le cadre spécifique du réseau UNITA. Fondé sur le volet n° 3 du projet (work package 3 – voir en annexe), le travail doctoral doit permettre, entre autres objectifs, après un état des lieux des ressources et méthodes en intercompréhension, d'étudier les mécanismes d'apprentissage d'une langue romane en lien avec l'intercompréhension et les besoins du réseau UNITA, d'analyser les effets de cette didactique sur les différents publics d'UNITA (étudiants ; enseignants ; personnels).

#### *Disciplines concernées*

- Didactique des langues
- Linguistique

#### *Durée du contrat*

Contrat doctoral à temps plein d'une durée de 3 ans à partir du 1<sup>er</sup> novembre 2020.

#### *Pré-requis*

Peuvent se porter candidat les étudiants possédant les pré-requis nécessaires à l'inscription en doctorat.

Une bonne connaissance d'au moins deux langues romanes est par ailleurs requise. La pratique du latin serait un *plus* apprécié.



### *Directeurs de recherche*

Le doctorat sera encadré en co-tutelle par l'Université Savoie-Mont Blanc et l'Università di Torino.

### *Contrat doctoral*

L'octroi du contrat doctoral est soumis au financement du projet dans sa globalité.

### *Calendrier*

Date limite de candidature : 2 octobre 2020

Réponse : 20 octobre 2020

Début du contrat : 1<sup>er</sup> Novembre 2020

### *Dossier de candidature*

Les candidats doivent soumettre un dossier comportant les documents suivants :

- Formulaire de candidature
- Copies certifiées des diplômes de Licence et de Master
- Curriculum vitae à jour
- Projet de recherche (maximum 4 pages) à rédiger dans l'une de ces langues, au choix : français, italien, espagnol, portugais, roumain, anglais. Le candidat devra expliquer comment, sur le plan scientifique, il entend développer les lignes directrices de recherche indiquées dans le workpackage 3.
- Une lettre de présentation du candidat rédigée par un enseignant ou un chercheur exerçant dans les disciplines indiquées dans cet appel.

Un entretien à distance pourra être organisé par le comité de sélection.

**Les candidatures doivent être envoyées au format pdf à :**

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## Annexe : Description des objectifs du lot 3 du projet UNITA :

### Work package 3

<b>UNITA Multilingualism</b>			
<b>Duration:</b>	M1 – M36	<b>Lead beneficiary:</b>	UNITO
<p><b>Objective: Promoting multilingualism and the diversity of languages in Europe</b></p> <p>Through a proactive language policy based on multilingualism UNITA promotes one of the cornerstones of the European project and strives to make the motto “United in diversity” come true. The envisaged virtual and physical mobility in the Romance speaking countries of the Alliance represents a real challenge for students, teachers and staff. In order to effectively support learning paths and overall communication in an English friendly Romance speaking environment UNITA will set up an extensive inter-comprehension training program for all UNITA actors. Inter-comprehension (henceforth IC) refers to a relationship between languages in which speakers of different but related languages can readily understand each other without intentional study or extraordinary effort. Through IC strategies learners are trained to become reflexive and strategic learners who exploit the language competence they already have to understand the language of the other(s)<sup>i</sup>. This unique large scale application of IC methods needs to be steered by a sound scientific approach in order to set up a sustainable training and assessment framework. In a long-term vision extensive use of IC methods will have a transformative impact in the overall communication activities at UNITA universities, boosting their attractiveness and inclusiveness: besides well-established courses fully taught in English at the UNITA universities, the approach of IC will make courses taught in the local languages more accessible for international students speaking Romance languages and local life-long learners, provide teachers with communication strategies for international classrooms. UNITA students will thus master at least two Romance languages besides English. As a vehicle to promote multilingualism inter-comprehension will also impact on growth and cohesion in the UNITA cross-border regions, as suggested from DG Region<sup>ii</sup>. Inter-comprehension will also impact on the quality of institutional communication practices between international students and university administration. The provision of micro-credentials on IC will bundle UNITA to the EU micro-credential policy<sup>iii</sup> and ensure its sustainability. Financial sustainability of the WP is ensured also through exploiting of expertise on IC in the UNITA Alliance and through sharing of online resources for language learning among the partners.</p>			

<sup>i</sup> <http://www.eurom5.com/p/chisiamo-fr/intercomprensione>

<sup>ii</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/information/publications/communications/2017/boosting-growth-and-cohesion-in-eu-border-regions](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/information/publications/communications/2017/boosting-growth-and-cohesion-in-eu-border-regions)

<sup>iii</sup> <https://microcredentials.eu/>



## **Bando per Dottorato di Ricerca – Progetto UNITA Universitas Montium**

Il termine UNITA si riferisce al progetto di una più stretta integrazione delle attività accademiche di sei università (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, University of Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior and University of Pau and del Pays de l'Adour). Il sottotitolo latino Universitas Montium rimanda a un elemento centrale dell'alleanza UNITA: l'uso attivo delle lingue romanze e l'impegno a promuovere la diversità linguistica.

Una delle direttrici del progetto è proprio lo sviluppo del multilinguismo romanzo attraverso la pratica dell'intercomprensione, sviluppo che dovrebbe permettere di catalizzare gli scambi tra gli attori della rete (docenti, studenti, enti e istituzioni).

Nell'ambito di questo progetto è previsto il finanziamento di una borsa di dottorato a partire da novembre 2020. L'obiettivo è supportare scientificamente lo sviluppo su larga scala dell'intercomprensione come pratica linguistica e pratica didattica, al fine di consentirne l'ottimizzazione all'interno del quadro specifico della rete UNITA. Basato sul modulo 3 del progetto (work package 3 – cfr. sotto), il lavoro di dottorato dovrebbe consentire, tra gli altri obiettivi, un inventario delle risorse e dei metodi di comprensione reciproca, lo studio dei meccanismi di apprendimento di una lingua romanza legati all'intercomprensione e alle esigenze della rete UNITA, per analizzare gli effetti di questa didattica sui diversi pubblici di UNITA (studenti, insegnanti, personale).

### *Discipline coinvolte*

- Didattica delle lingue
- Linguistica

### *Durata della borsa*

Borsa di dottorato a tempo pieno della durata di 3 anni a partire dal 1 novembre 2020.

### *Prerequisiti*

Possono fare domanda gli studenti che possiedono i prerequisiti necessari all'iscrizione al dottorato.

È inoltre richiesta una buona conoscenza di almeno due lingue romanze. Sarà valutata positivamente l'eventuale conoscenza del latino.

### *Direttori della ricerca*

Il dottorato sarà inquadrato in una co-tutela tra l'Université Savoie-Mont Blanc e l'Università di Torino.

### *Contratto di dottorato*

La concessione del contratto di dottorato è subordinata al finanziamento del progetto nel suo complesso.

### *Calendario*

Data limite di invio della candidatura: 2 ottobre 2020

Pubblicazione dei risultati: 20 ottobre 2020

Inizio del contratto: 1 Novembre 2020

### *Documenti per la candidatura*

I candidati devono presentare un fascicolo comprendente i seguenti documenti:

- Modulo di iscrizione
- Copie certificate dei diplomi di laurea triennale e magistrale
- Curriculum vitae aggiornato
- Progetto di ricerca (massimo 4 pagine) da redigere a scelta in una delle seguenti lingue: francese, italiano, spagnolo, portoghese, romeno, inglese. Il candidato dovrà illustrare come intende sviluppare le linee di ricerca indicate nel work package 3.
- Una lettera di presentazione redatta da un docente o ricercatore afferente alle discipline indicate nel presente bando.

La commissione di selezione potrà organizzare un colloquio a distanza.

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**Appendice:** Descrizione degli obiettivi del modulo 3 del progetto UNITA :

*Work package 3*

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## **Convocatoria – Beca de doctorado – UNITA proyecto *Universitas Montium***

La denominación UNITA hace referencia al proyecto de lograr una mayor integración de las actividades académicas de seis universidades (*Università degli studi di Torino*, Universidad de Zaragoza, *Université Savoie-Mont Blanc*, *Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara*, *Universidade da Beira Interior* y *Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour*). El subtítulo latino *Universitas Montium* subraya el punto común de las universidades de UNITA: el uso activo de las lenguas romances y el compromiso de promover la diversidad lingüística.

Uno de los ejes del proyecto es precisamente el desarrollo de un multilingüismo romance a través de la práctica de la intercomprensión, un desarrollo que debería servir de catalizador en los intercambios entre los actores de la red (docentes, estudiantes, organizaciones e instituciones).

En el marco de este proyecto se prevé la financiación de una beca de doctorado a partir de noviembre de 2020, con el objetivo de apoyar científicamente el desarrollo de la intercomprensión como práctica lingüística y práctica docente, con el fin de permitir su optimización en el marco específico de la red UNITA. Basado en el módulo 3 del proyecto (*work package 3 – cfr. infra*), el trabajo de doctorado debería permitir, entre otros objetivos, un inventario de recursos y métodos de comprensión recíproca, el estudio de los mecanismos de aprendizaje de una lengua romance relacionada con la intercomprensión y con las necesidades de la red UNITA, para analizar los efectos de esta enseñanza entre los diferentes públicos de UNITA (estudiantes, profesores, personal).

### *Disciplinas implicadas*

- Enseñanza de idiomas.
- Lingüística.

### *Duración de la beca*

Beca de doctorado a tiempo completo de 3 años de duración a partir del 1 de noviembre de 2020.

### *Requisitos para la presentación de solicitudes*

Pueden postularse como candidatos los estudiantes que cumplan los requisitos exigidos para su inscripción en los estudios de doctorado.

También se requiere un buen conocimiento de al menos dos lenguas romances. Se evaluará positivamente el conocimiento de latín.

### *Directores de la investigación*

El doctorado será co-tutelado entre la *Université Savoie-Mont Blanc* y la *Università di Torino*.

### *Contrato de doctorado*

La adjudicación del contrato de doctorado estará subordinada a la financiación del proyecto en su totalidad.

### *Calendario*

Fecha límite de presentación de candidaturas: 2 de octubre de 2020.

Publicación de los resultados: 20 de octubre de 2020.

Inicio del contrato: 1 de noviembre de 2020.

### *Documentación para presentarse como candidato*

Los candidatos deberán presentar un dossier con los siguientes documentos:

- Formulario de inscripción.
- Copias certificadas de los diplomas de Licenciatura o Grado y eventualmente de Máster.
- Currículum vitae actualizado.
- Proyecto de investigación (máximo 4 páginas), redactado en uno de los siguientes idiomas: francés, italiano, español, portugués, rumano o inglés. El candidato debe ilustrar cómo va a desarrollar las líneas de investigación indicadas en el *work package* 3.
- Una carta de presentación del candidato redactada por un docente o investigador de las disciplinas indicadas en este anuncio.

El tribunal de selección podrá organizar una entrevista a distancia.

**La documentación debe enviarse en formato PDF a:**

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**Adjunto:** Descripción de los objetivos del WP 3 del proyecto UNITA

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## Apel la candidatură pentru studii de doctorat – Proiectul UNITA Universitas Montium

Numele UNITA evocă angajamentul a 6 universități (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, Université Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior y Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour) pentru o integrare complexă a activităților lor academice. Subtitlul *Universitas Montium* subliniază punctul comun al universităților din cadrul alianței UNITA: limbile romanice și angajamentul în promovarea diversității lingvistice.

Una dintre liniile directoare ale proiectului este dezvoltarea multilingvismului prin practica intercomprehensiunii, dezvoltare care permite facilitarea schimburilor și a comunicării între actorii rețelei academice (studenți, cadre didactice, personal administrativ).

În cadrul proiectului UNITA, finanțarea unui doctorat este planificată începând cu luna noiembrie 2020. Finanțarea acestui doctorat are ca obiectiv dezvoltarea la scară largă a intercomprehensiunii, pe un fundament științific, ca practică lingvistică și practică didactică care să permită optimizarea ulterioară a proceselor în cadrul specific dat de proiectul UNITA. Parte a pachetului de lucru 3 din cadrul proiectului (vezi Anexa), acest studiu doctoral va permite, printre altele, după inventarierea resurselor și metodelor legate de intercomprehensiune, aprofundarea mecanismelor de învățare a unui limbaj specific, în strânsă legătură cu intercomprehensiunea și cu nevoile alianței UNITA, precum și analiza efectelor acestei practici didactice asupra studenților, cadrelor didactice și personalului administrativ.

### *Domeniile de cercetare*

- Didactica limbii
- Lingvistică

### *Durata de pregătire*

Contract doctoral de 3 ani, începând cu 1 noiembrie 2020.

### *Cerințe pentru aplicare*

Acest apel se adresează tuturor studenților care întrunesc cerințele corespunzătoare pentru a fi doctoranzi.

Este necesară și o bună cunoaștere a cel puțin două limbi romanice. Practica latinei reprezintă un avantaj.

### *Coordonatori*

Doctoratul va fi coordonat în co-tutelă de către Université Savoie-Mont Blanc și l'Università di Torino.

### *Contractul doctoral*

Contractul doctoral este supus integral finanțării proiectului.

### *Calendarul de selecție*

Depunerea candidaturilor: 2 octombrie 2020

Rezultate: 20 octombrie 2020

Înmatricularea: 1 Noiembrie 2020

### *Dosarul de candidatură*

Candidații trebuie să depună un dosar de candidatură care să conțină următoarele documente:

- Formular de înscriere/candidatură
- Copii certificate ale diplomelor de licență și master
- Curriculum vitae actualizat
- Planul de cercetare (maximum 4 pagini) redactat într-una din următoarele limbi, la alegere : franceză, italiană, spaniolă, portugheză, română, engleză. Candidatul va trebui să explice, din perspectivă științifică, modul în care intenționează să dezvolte liniile de cercetare indicate în pachetul de lucru 3.
- O scrisoare de prezentare a candidatului elaborată de către un cadru didactic sau cercetător specialist în domeniile de cercetare precizate în acest apel.

Un interviu la distanță poate fi organizat de către comisia de selecție.

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## **Aviso de Abertura - Bolsa de Investigação para Estudante de Doutoramento - Projeto UNITA Universitas Montium**

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O nome UNITA evoca o compromisso de seis universidades (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, Université Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior y Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour) para uma integração mais próxima das suas atividades académicas. O subtítulo latino *Universitas Montium* destaca o ponto comum das universidades da UNITA: as línguas românicas e o compromisso em promover a diversidade linguística.

Um dos eixos do projeto é fortalecer a identidade europeia, compreendendo os seus desenvolvimentos passados e recentes em áreas como o Direito, a História, a Sociologia e as Ciências Políticas.

No âmbito deste projeto, está previsto o financiamento de uma Bolsa de Doutoramento, a partir de novembro de 2020. Tendo como objetivo ajudar a entender melhor os conceitos de identidade, valores e cidadania europeus, o doutoramento deve centrar-se no entendimento dos estudantes e da população rural de cidadania europeia. Os territórios abrangidos pelo estudo são aqueles nos quais estão localizadas as universidades da Aliança. O doutoramento incidirá especialmente em materiais que serão produzidos em workshops, no fórum interativo, nos concursos e em conferências que devem ser criados no decorrer do projeto.

### ***Áreas de Investigação***

Didática das línguas  
Linguística

### ***Duração da Bolsa***

Programa de doutoramento de 3 anos (tempo integral), a partir de 1 de novembro de 2020.

### ***Requisitos para a apresentação das candidaturas***

A candidatura é dirigida aos estudantes que possuam os requisitos necessários para uma inscrição em doutoramento. É obrigatório dominar pelo menos duas línguas românicas, sendo valorizados os candidatos com conhecimentos de Latim.

### ***Orientadores***

O estudante de doutoramento será coorientado, no formato de cotutela entre a Université Savoie-Mont Blanc (USMB) e a Università di Torino (UNITO)

### ***Contrato de Bolsa***

A Bolsa de Investigação a conceder estará condicionada ao financiamento global do projeto.

### ***Calendário***

Prazo para apresentação de candidaturas: 2 de outubro de 2020  
Comunicação de resultados: 20 outubro de 2020



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Início do contrato: 1 de novembro de 2020

***Documentos a apresentar pelos candidatos***

Os candidatos devem apresentar um dossiê com os seguintes documentos:

- Formulário de candidatura
- Cópias dos diplomas/ certificados de licenciatura e de mestrado
- Curriculum Vitae atualizado
- Projeto de investigação (máximo de 4 páginas) escrito numa das seguintes línguas: francês, italiano, castelhano, português, romeno ou inglês. O candidato deverá explicar como pretende desenvolver a investigação no quadro do WP3 deste projeto.
- Carta de recomendação escrita por um professor/investigador de uma das áreas científicas do concurso

Poderá ainda ser feita uma entrevista virtual.

**As candidaturas devem ser enviadas em formato PDF para:**

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## Anexo : Descrição dos objectivos do WP3 3 - UNITA

### Work package 3

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The name UNITA evokes the commitment of six universities (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, Université Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior y Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour) to a closer integration of their academic activities. The subtitle Universitas Montium, written in Latin, reminds that UNITA universities all speak Romance languages and are engaged to foster linguistic diversity.

One of the guidelines of the project is to strengthen the European identity by understanding both its past and recent developments in such fields as Law, History, Sociology and Political Sciences.

Inside the overall project, the funding of a PhD is planned from November 2020. In order to update the concepts of European citizenship, identity and values, the PhD should focus on the students and rural population understanding of European Citizenship. The territories concerned by the study are those where the universities of the Alliance are located. The PhD could especially address the materials that will be produced in the workshops, the interactive forum, the contests and conferences that are meant to be set up in the course of the project.

One of the main lines of the project is precisely the development of Romance multilingualism through the practice of intercomprehension, a development which should make it possible to catalyse exchanges between the actors of the network (teachers, students, authorities).

Within the framework of this project, the funding of a doctoral contract is planned from November 2020. The objective is to provide scientific support for this large-scale development of intercomprehension as a linguistic and didactic practice, in order to optimise it in the long term within the specific framework of the UNITA network. Based on part 3 of the project (work package 3 - see appendix), the doctoral work should make it possible, among other objectives, after an inventory of resources and methods in intercomprehension, to study the mechanisms of learning a Romance language in relation to intercomprehension and the needs of the UNITA network, and to analyse the effects of this didactic approach on the different UNITA audiences (students; teachers; staff).

### *Research fields*

- Language didactics
- Linguistics

### *Training duration*

3 year-full time doctoral program starting from November 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

### *Requirements for application*

Students with the necessary pre-requisites for doctoral registration may apply.



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A good knowledge of at least two Romance languages is also required. The practice of Latin would be a plus.

*Research supervisors*

The doctorate will be co-supervised by the University of Savoy-Mont Blanc and the Università di Torino.

*Doctoral contract*

The award of the doctoral contract is subject to the financing of the project as a whole.

*Calendar*

Deadline for application: 2 October 2020

Answer: 20 October 2020

Contract start: 1st November 2020

*Application dossier*

Applicants have to submit an application dossier including the following documents:

- Application form
- Valid copies of degrees and certificates of Bachelor and Master levels
- An updated curriculum vitae
- Research project (maximum 4 pages) to be written in one of the following languages: French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Romanian, English. The candidate will have to explain how, from a scientific point of view, he/she intends to develop the research guidelines indicated in work package 3.
- A letter of introduction written by a teacher and/or researcher in the field

A virtual interview may be organized by the selection committee.

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**Annex:** Description of the objectives of WP 3:

*Work package 3*

<b>UNITA Multilingualism</b>			
<b>Duration:</b>	M1 – M36	<b>Lead beneficiary:</b>	UNITO
<p><b>Objective: Promoting multilingualism and the diversity of languages in Europe</b></p> <p>Through a proactive language policy based on multilingualism UNITA promotes one of the cornerstones of the European project and strives to make the motto “United in diversity” come true. The envisaged virtual and physical mobility in the Romance speaking countries of the Alliance represents a real challenge for students, teachers and staff. In order to effectively support learning paths and overall communication in an English friendly Romance speaking environment UNITA will set up an extensive inter-comprehension training program for all UNITA actors. Inter-comprehension (henceforth IC) refers to a relationship between languages in which speakers of different but related languages can readily understand each other without intentional study or extraordinary effort. Through IC strategies learners are trained to become reflexive and strategic learners who exploit the language competence they already have to understand the language of the other(s)<sup>iii</sup>. This unique large scale application of IC methods needs to be steered by a sound scientific approach in order to set up a sustainable training and assessment framework. In a long-term vision extensive use of IC methods will have a transformative impact in the overall communication activities at UNITA universities, boosting their attractiveness and inclusiveness: besides well-established courses fully taught in English at the UNITA universities, the approach of IC will make courses taught in the local languages more accessible for international students speaking Romance languages and local life-long learners, provide teachers with communication strategies for international classrooms. UNITA students will thus master at least two Romance languages besides English. As a vehicle to promote multilingualism inter-comprehension will also impact on growth and cohesion in the UNITA cross-border regions, as suggested from DG Region<sup>iii</sup>. Inter-comprehension will also impact on the quality of institutional communication practices between international students and university administration. The provision of micro-credentials on IC will bundle UNITA to the EU micro-credential policy and ensure its sustainability. Financial sustainability of the WP is ensured also through exploiting of expertise on IC in the UNITA Alliance and through sharing of online resources for language learning among the partners.</p>			