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Call for Applications

PNRR/TNE mobility grants for participation in an inter- and multidisciplinary

Winter School seminar at the University of Palermo - Academic year 2025-2026

The Rector

Having regard to the Cooperation Agreement signed between the MARE consortium and The University of Tunis El Manar, which formalizes the collaboration among the participating universities in achieving the project's objectives.

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The Call for Application « PNRR/TNE mobility grants for participation in an inter- and multidisciplinary Winter School seminar at the University of Palermo in the Academic year 2025/2026.

– Scope of the project:

This mobility opportunity is part of the **MARE Project** (Mobility and Research in the Mediterranean Region), a **TNE** (Transnational Education) initiative funded under the Italian National Recovery and Resilience Plan (**PNRR**),

The project aims to enhance academic cooperation, foster student and staff exchanges, and promote joint research activities among Mediterranean universities³.

Through this mobility program, participants will have the opportunity to engage in high-quality academic experiences, strengthen international partnerships, and contribute to the development of key thematic areas⁴. Specifically, this call targets the fields of **historical, philosophical, political, legal, economic, cultural, and religious research**, with particular reference to the Near and Middle East and North Africa.

This initiative provides academics with a unique opportunity for professional and academic growth within the Mediterranean region⁵.

Within this framework, **The University of Tunis El Manar** is launching this call for applications for mobility opportunities with the **University of Palermo** during the academic year 2025/2026.

– Mobility grants:

This section outlines the details of the mobility grants available under the MARE Project.

Level	Subject Area	Year	Duration	Number
Academic staff for teaching	Humanities, Social Sciences (History, Philosophy, Politics, Law, Economics, Culture)	2025/2026	7 days (Feb 8–14, 2026) <i>(5 days of activity and 2 days of travel)</i>	04

Activity Context:

Selected candidates will participate in an **inter- and multidisciplinary Winter School seminar** organized within the framework of the Master in Cooperation, Development and Migration from 09 to 13 February 2026. The teaching program will involve insights into North African societies, economy, history, or political thinking with a regional perspective.

– Eligibility :

Eligible participants are :

- **Academic staff** of the University of Tunis El Manar, specifically attached to the **Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis**.
- **Note:** In accordance with Project requirements, **gender balance must be respected** in the selection of the final team.

– Selection criteria:

Applications will be evaluated based on the following:

- Professors at the Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis in the master's program: **Migration Studies / English and International Relations**.
- Motivation letter.
- Overall objectives of mobility.
- Content of the teaching programme (Proposals should align with the Winter School themes: Cooperation, Development, Migration, and North African studies).
- Expected outcomes.
- CV quality.

– Required documents

Candidates must submit the following documents:

- **Formal request** addressed to the President of the University of Tunis El Manar for participation in the MARE project mobility at the **University of Palermo**, endorsed by the Director of the ISSHT.
- **Certificate of employment.**
- **Motivation letter.**
- **CV in English.**
- **Application form.**
- **Draft Mobility Agreement.**
- **A copy of the passport.**
- **Certificate of tax residence** (Attestation de residence fiscale) in case of selection.

- Financial contribution :

Academic staffs receive a TNE MARE financial contribution for his/her stay where he/she will take part in teaching courses, seminars and meetings.

– Dates and deadlines :

- **Mobility Period:** The mobility activities will take place from **February 9 to February 13, 2026**. Participants are expected to arrive on February 8 and depart on February 14, 2026.
- **Application Deadline:** The deadline for candidacy application is **January 09, 2026**.

– Application procedures :

Submission:

- Interested candidates are invited to submit the complete application file no later than to the registry **office of the University of Tunis El Manar**.

– Announcement of selection results:

Following the evaluation of the files pre-selected by the commission, the results will be published on the website of the University of Tunis El Manar (www.utm.rnu.tn).

– Contacts

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