

## **Competitive Admission Exam to the 36<sup>th</sup> Cycle of the Italian Studies PhD (Dottorato di ricerca)**

### **Research Project** (minimum for admission to the oral test 40/60)

For admission to the oral test, Candidates will have to present a project allowing the commission to evaluate his/her propensity to research and ability to autonomously design and organize the stages of the project. The project outline must not be longer than 20,000 characters (including blanks). Exceeding this limit, even a minimum one, will result in exclusion from the assessment. The project presented for the competitive exam does not have to be the one carried out by the candidates if they are admitted to the PhD.

The commission will evaluate these aspects of the project:

- Knowledge of the state of the art (up to 10 points)
- Originality and innovative content (up to 15 points)
- Clarity and completeness of the exposition of the targets, methodologies and expected results (up to 10 points)
- Feasibility of the project (up to 15 points)
- Pertinence of the project with the educational aims of the PhD (up to 10 points)

### **The oral test**

Is aimed to verifying the candidate' preparation, skills and attitudes to research and with specific reference to the research project proposed (up to 30 points)

- Proficiency in the foreign language: up 10 points

To pass the oral test the candidate must achieve an overall score of no less than **20 points out of 40**.

**The minimum final resulting score (Research Project+oral test) valid for the admission is 80/100.**