



Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca

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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS OF PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCHES' COUNCIL

The Coordinator of the Selection Committee aimed at selecting both Presidents and Members of the Boards of Directors of Government-Appointed Research Institutions, as set out under Article 11 of Legislative Decree 213 of December 31, 2009, and appointed by Ministerial Decree No. 1809 of November 25, 2024.

Considering that the regulations governing the identification and selection of candidates to be proposed to the Minister of Universities and Research refer to specific articles of the decrees listed below:

Legislative Decree No. 213 of December 31, 2009, concerning the reorganization of Research Institutions pursuant to Article 1 of Law No. 165 of September 27, 2007:

Article 11

1. For the purpose of appointing the presidents and members of the boards of directors of government-appointed institutions, a Selection Committee is appointed by ministerial decree. This committee is composed of a maximum of five people chosen from among experts in the national and international scientific community and specialists in high-level administration, one of whom will serve as the coordinator, without any new or additional financial burden on the Ministry's budget. The Selection Committee works in accordance with the guidelines set out by the Minister in the decree of appointment and for administrative tasks, it is supported by the relevant general directorates of the Ministry. Ministry personnel, under no circumstances, may be part of the Selection Committee.

2. The Selection Committee will outline the procedures and deadlines for submitting applications through a public call. For each position, and where possible given the number of candidates, the Committee proposes to the Minister:

a) five nominees for the position of president;

b) three nominees for the position of board member.



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3. In boards of directors composed of three members, two members, including the president, are appointed by the Minister. The third board member is directly selected by the relevant scientific or disciplinary community through a consultation process defined in the statutes.

Ministerial Decree No. 1809 of November 25, 2024, establishing the Selection Committee.

Article 1

1. The Selection Committee is set up, to form the lists of nominees for the appointment of presidents and government-appointed members of the boards of directors of research institutions, pursuant to Article 11 of Legislative Decree No. 213/2009.

2. The Committee shall remain on working until the completion of the selection process for the presidents and government-appointed members of the boards of directors of the research institutions pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 213 of 2009, whose terms expire by December 31, 2027.

Article 2

1. The Selection Committee sets out, within 30 days from the starting of the selection process, through a public call, the procedures and deadlines for the submission of applications for each Research Institution. The Committee completes the selection process for the applications within 60 days from the publication of the call. If multiple calls are issued, the Committee completes its work within 60 days from the publication of each call. In carrying out its duties, the Committee follows the priority order based on the expiration dates of the terms of the respective governing bodies.

2. Pursuant to Article 11, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree No. 213/2009, the Committee submits to the Minister, for the appointment of presidents and members of the boards of directors, a shortlist of candidates, separately and for each Research Institution, with substantiated evaluations but without forming a ranking.

3. In evaluating individual applications, the Committee ensures that the candidates' profiles meet a high level of technical and scientific qualification, demonstrated by specific skills and professional experience acquired in the national and international research sector, and also highlight proven managerial experience in the research field.

4. In assessing the applications, the Committee also considers the grounds for ineligibility as set out by law and the statutes of the research institutions, and points out any potential causes of incompatibility.

LAUNCHES

a public call, pursuant to the mentioned article 11, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree No. 213 of December 31, 2009, aimed at submitting a candidature for a position as President of the National Researches' Council (art. 6 statute) whose statute is available on the website www.mur.gov.it, under the "Research" section.



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The Selection Committee, appointed by the Minister of Universities and Research through Ministerial Decree No. 1809 of November 25, 2024, has defined the requirements, procedures, and timelines for the applications as specified below.

REQUIREMENTS

For the position of president of the National Researches' Council, applicants must have a high level of technical and scientific qualification, demonstrated by specific expertise and professional experience acquired in the national and international research sector, as well as proven managerial experience in the research fields relevant to the institute.

Candidates must also meet the general requirements of integrity as set out by Italian law and, in particular, they must not have criminal convictions.

In evaluating the applications, the Committee will take into account the grounds for ineligibility as provided by law and the statute of the National Research Council, and will report any potential causes of incompatibility.

Candidates who have already held the position of president for two terms at the Institute will not be considered for this selection, pursuant to Article 8, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree No. 213/2009.

PROCEDURE

Candidates applying for the position of president of the National Researches' Council, are invited to complete the application form attached to this call.

The application must be signed and sent in PDF format via certified email to the following address: dgricerca@pec.mur.gov.it.

The application must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae (max ten pages), which should include the following information:



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- Full personal details;
- Main qualifications, milestones, and achievements of the scientific career, highlighting innovative contributions to science and/or technology, and including, when available, bibliometric indexes;
- Proficiency both in Italian and English languages;

The candidate's curriculum vitae must also prove the experience gained in relation to:

- Experience in management of human and financial resources;
- Management of highly complex programs and projects, including from an economic-financial standpoint both in the national and international research sector.
- Management of research institutions and organizations, including universities, both at national and international level;
- research program planning activities, and industrial relations concerning the national and international research system;
- Participation in scientific panels and other advisory boards both at the national and international level;
- Evaluation of both national and international research results;
- Promotion of the transfer of technology resulting from research;

As well as any other relevant experience related to the specific statutory features of the National Researches' Council and any reference letter.

In the application, under penalty of exclusion, the candidate must declare, under his/her own responsibility, pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 445/2000, that he/she has no criminal convictions.

The confidentiality of the data is guaranteed in accordance with the current regulations on data protection.

TIMELINES

Applications, along with the corresponding curriculum vitae, must be submitted via certified email to the address specified above by 23:59 of 27.06. 2025 on the Ministry's website.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

The Committee will review the applications and verify that the eligibility requirements are met for each candidate. Additionally, the Committee will assess the curriculum vitae of each candidate. At the end of the selection process, the Committee will propose to the Minister a shortlist of up to five nominees



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for the position of President the National Researches' Council, from which the Minister will take the final selection.

THE COORDINATOR OF THE COMMITTEE

Prof. Antonio Zoccoli