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#### ERASMUS PROGRAMME – KEY ACTION 1 BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME CALL FOR APPLICATIONS Policy Analytics for Social Sustainability (PASS, alias PASOS) - A.Y. 2024/2025

### 1. BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME

The Erasmus Blended Intensive Programme (BIP) is a new short-term intensive mobility option envisaged by the new Erasmus+ 2021-2027 programme. Using innovative teaching and learning approaches, it offers an international experience that combines short-term physical mobility with a mandatory virtual component.

## 2. DESCRIPTION

| Blended Intensive<br>programme - Title | Policy Analytics for Social Sustainability (PASS/PASOS)   |
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| Academic Tutors                        | Alessia Damonte<br>Flaminio Squazzoni   |
| Department                             | Department of Social and Political Sciences   |
| Study programmes:                      | COM, GPS, PPPA  |
| Number of participants                 | Min 8 - Max 12 (From the University of Milan)   |
| Partners                               | <ol> <li>Faculty of Behavioural and Social Sciences, Università di Groningen</li> <li>ISEG Lisbon School of Economics &amp; Management, Universidade de Lisboa</li> </ol>   |
| Period                                 | Seminar/virtual activity: 7 weeks from February, 17 to April, 11 2025, plus 2 extension weeks if needed for task completion Physical activity: 1 week from March 17 to 21, 2025   |
| Length of virtual mobility             |   |
| period                                 | 7 to 9 weeks  |
| Length of in-person                    |   |
| activities                             | 5 days + 2 travel days  |
| Location                               | Milan (IT)  |
| No. of credits awarded                 | Max 6 CFU   |
|  | Want to engage in crafting actionable solutions for real sustainability challenges? In 9 virtual weeks and 1 on campus week, this course will guide you in creating a knowledge-based policy brief on one of four pressing domains: housing, longevity, disaster resilience, or migration.  |
| Description                            | You'll start by mastering the basics - understanding how social forces and institutions shape policy success. Then, you'll dive into your chosen sustainability challenge, learning how to break down complex problems and build convincing solutions. In Milan, you'll refine your ideas with experts and learn to use evidence from different research approaches critically. |



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| Working in small groups, you will develop your capacity to collaborate in outlining clear policy arguments that  |
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| <ol> <li>Break down complex sustainability challenges</li> <li>Pinpoint the social and institutional mechanisms that shape policy outcomes</li> <li>Engrain policy solutions through logic models and theories of change</li> <li>Build on evidence from different research approaches</li> <li>Engage with specific stakeholders</li> </ol> |
| Throughout the course, domain specialists and method experts will give you tools to connect problem analysis with practical solutions, and extract insights from experimental and observational studies to strengthen your proposal. Domain specialists and method experts will also provide feedback as you develop your argument.          |
| The course is designed to enhance your analytical skills to evaluate evidence, your problem-solving capacity, and your communication ability to make your case effectively – basically, helping you to turn your passion for sustainability into actionable policy proposals.  |

## 3. WHO CAN APPLY

Application requirements are listed below:

- 1. Being regularly enrolled at the University of Milan for the 2024/2025 academic year, preferably but not exclusively in COM, GPS, PPPA courses.
- 2. Familiarity with empirical studies of any tradition
- 3. Full compliance with tuition and fee payment obligations

## 4. APPLICATION

To apply, register on the elixForms platform by 2 pm on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

https://elixforms.unimi.it/rwe2/module\_preview.jsp?MODULE\_TAG=studenti\_domanda\_erasmus\_BIP\_20242025

The selection will be only based on the following documentation:

- 1) A cover letter explaining the motivations for the application (to be entered in the appropriate field of the online application form);
- 2) Signed CV and copy of ID (PDF/A file; max 5 MB);
- 3) Self-certified transcript of records (to be printed from Unimia as a PDF/A file; max 5 MB);
- 4) An official English language certification (minimum B2) recognised by the University and obtained no more than three years before the time of application (the list of recognized certifications is available at https://www.unimi.it/en/study/language-proficiency/other-foreign-languages-testsand-courses) or a language proficiency statement obtained through the University Language Centre, obtained no more than four years before the time of application. If the level of the language needed for the application expressly appears on the Unimia career, it is possible to submit a screenshot of it in pdf-format. Level B2 is considered to be achieved by students enrolled in



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courses delivered entirely in English for which level B2 English is a requirement for admission.

Please note that missing documents will result in the automatic exclusion from the selection process. No interview is planned.

#### 5. SELECTION PROCESS

A Rector-appointed board will select up to 12 students on the following criteria:

- a) Academic career and CV (up to 10 points):
- b) Language skills (up to 5 points);
- c) Candidate's motivation (up to 15 points).

The selection outcome will be posted to https://www.unimi.it/en/international/study-abroad/international-opportunities by **January 10th**, **2025**.

#### 6. PERSONAL DATA PROCESSING

Pursuant to EU Regulation 2016/679 ("General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR") and Legislative Decree no. 196/2003, as amended and supplemented, the University undertakes to keep the information provided by the applicant confidential. All data will be processed only for the purposes of participation in the programme. Information on the enforcement of the GDPR is available on the University website at http://www.unimi.it/ateneo/73613.htm - pathway: www.unimi.it > University > Privacy.

Milan, 28/11/2024

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