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To: PhD candidates from Magalhaes LatAm Universities

Dear PhD candidates,

Following my previous letter, February 19, I write to give you an update with important instructions to follow if, as I hope, you confirm your interest to come to Politecnico di Torino for your PhD.

The pre-screening of your applications was quite satisfactory, and the ad-hoc committee established here judged several of them as very good after careful evaluation. Based on that, **it was decided to reserve 2 full PhD fellowships, entirely supported by Politecnico di Torino, to students like you, with an MSc degree obtained from a Magalhaes LatAm University until October 2020.**

However, it turned out from the successive poll that most if not all of you would be unable to get the GRE before the May 14 deadline, because of several difficulties including the current Covid-19 emergency. As we obviously understand the situation, it was decided to **give you time until end of August to get the GRE, which I confirm is mandatory to access the formal competition here.**

In the meanwhile, **it is of the utmost importance that, even if you don't have the GRE by May 14, you nevertheless formally apply before May 14 (noon CET) to the PhD** (you may find all instructions for submitting your application online at http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_applications whereas the text of the call you may download at <https://didattica.polito.it/zxd/b5eda0a74558a342cf659187f06f746f/9dde3c1deee7c791026d6a0ac91322bb/9ca62973ccdf8916e050c0828c372e31?1579608062539>).

In this process, two things are especially important, namely that

- 1) you clearly specify in which of the 16 different PhD programs (you may find the list at http://dottorato.polito.it/en/phd_programmes) you should like to apply (this is a requirement you will find in the call anyway);
- 2) **you begin the requested statement of purpose with the title "Application from Magalhaes LatAm student"** (this is an ad-hoc requirement you will not find in the call, which will allow us to suitably identify you and to evaluate your application even in the absence of a GRE).

Based on the outcome of the informal evaluation of your May 14 applications, the ad-hoc committee will finally decide which PhD programs, among the above-mentioned 16, will get the 2 Magalhaes fellowships. (Of course, if you already have the GRE before May 14, you will be automatically competing for a "normal" fellowship with your application).

We will then inform you of the decision and advise you on how to apply, provided of course you have achieved the GRE at the time of the application, to a **third call, which will be launched with submission deadline in early September**, and finally compete for the 2 reserved Magalhaes fellowships (as well as for the other "normal" fellowships with broader competition).

The winners will be expected to enroll by November 1, 2020.



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For any needs of further explanation of the above, please address your queries to scudo@polito.it.

Best regards

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