

INTERDISCIPLINARY TRAINING FOR DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

COLLEGIO FUTURO

A college for designers of a sustainable European future

INTERDISCIPLINARY DISCOURSE & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
INQUIRY-BASED LEARNING & KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER
POLICY BRIEF WRITING

ONLINE WORKSHOPS

12 Feb 2025 (9 AM – 1 PM)

18/19 Feb 2025 (2h per group)

SPRING SCHOOL

24 – 28 Feb 2025, Heidelberg, INF 130.1

Follow-up online meeting by appointment in March/April 2025

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Application deadline: 25 November 2024



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Vision

Reaching the sustainable development goals of the United Nations and coping with major planetary problems, such as climate change and biodiversity loss, requires a socio-economic transformation that ensures sustainable development. Conceptualizing this process demands an integration of perspectives from different research disciplines and needs creative and open-minded experts, who do not hesitate to step out of their comfort zone and collaborate in an interdisciplinary manner, striving for the best solutions. Collegio futuro seeks to foster these skills essential for tackling our urgent environmental, economic and societal challenges.

Topics:

- Just transition*
- Towards a sustainable aquaculture*
- Ecosystem restoration on marginal land*
- Adaptation of historic cities to climate change*

The training is offered free of charge

Incoming participants will receive lump-sum travel allowances for the on-site activity from their home universities in accordance with the local mobility program for doctoral students. Please note that these grants may cover most, but not all, of travel and accommodation costs. Lunch and coffee breaks will be offered during the spring school.

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This project is co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union

How does it work

Participants work in multidisciplinary groups to develop solutions for hands-on environmental issues with the goal of practicing a policy brief drafting

Participants will have an opportunity to exchange with their peers and examine the chosen problem from different perspectives. They will engage in discussions with scientists and practitioners in order to identify and propose feasible solutions to given problems. Altogether, the participants will engage in activities that will enable them to expand their network, generate impulses for new projects and improve their communication competences to the society.

Who may apply

Doctoral candidates at all levels, doing research in different disciplines (natural and life sciences, economic and social sciences, or humanities) at one of the participating 4EU+ Universities are cordially invited to apply.

6 doctoral candidates from each respective partner university will be selected to become part of the college.

Collegio futuro is aimed at doctoral researchers who are motivated to discuss in an interdisciplinary environment and seek to expand their knowledge beyond their own research area. Experience in environmental research and communication to society, or engagement in interdisciplinary activities is an advantage, but not a prerequisite.

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