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ALMA MATER STUDIORUM – UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA
Rimini Campus

Second Level Degree Program / 2 years INTERNATIONAL Master in
Resource economics and sustainable development (RESD)

RESD Call for applications 2019/2020
And
PRIZES FOR NEWLY ENROLLED STUDENTS
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The international master/ second cycle degree programme (Laurea Magistrale) in Resource Economics and Sustainable Development (from now on referred as RESD – official website www.resd.unibo.it) is a two-year postgraduate degree, equivalent to an M.Sc. that offers excellent preparation in environmental economics.

RESD graduates will have a critical understanding of complex interactions and interdependencies between economic decisions, market forces, governmental policies and the environment. Built on a solid foundation in applied economics, this preparation will distinguish RESD graduates for their ability to critically evaluate the qualitative and quantitative implications of environmental policies and to autonomously produce research, forecasts and plans concerning the evolution of markets for natural resources and to contribute to the design, production and marketing of products compatible with the consumption of natural resources and their sustainability. RESD offers a series of courses that provide an in-depth analysis of specific natural resources, where the consumption of the resource is studied in an integrated way, taking into account the institutional setup of markets and the competitive strategies of firms.

Detailed information is available online:

www.resd.unibo.it or by contacting cdlm.resd@unibo.it



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1. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the 2nd cycle degree programme in Resource Economics and Sustainable Development (RESO) is open to EU and NON-EU citizens.

1.1 Entry requirements

All candidates shall meet the following general requirements:

- **First cycle degree** or equivalent **bachelor** level achieved in any subject, awarded by an Italian or an accredited foreign university or university-level institution. This qualification shall grant access to 2nd cycle courses/ post graduate level. Final admission will be confirmed by the appointed office, upon receipt of evidence of the legal value of the qualification.

Additionally, all candidates shall meet specific conditions for RESO programme as follows:

- Knowledge of fundamental elements in disciplines of business, economics, law and mathematical-statistical areas
- English language requirement, at least B2 level. The assessment of knowledge and skills in the English language can be certified by: language certification tests by recognised English schools. Graduates in a degree program taught in English, English native speakers and graduates in English language and literature or equivalent are exempted from this assessment.

The Degree Program may require students to recover any initial deficit, if they are assessed to be below level B2 on admission

Annual quota **for Non-EU citizens resident abroad**: maximum 40 Non-EU students (15 of which reserve to students joining EU international programs i.e. Erasmus Mundus) will be accepted.

2. ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

2.1 EU Citizens and non-EU Citizens with equivalent status (also known as *equiparati*).

- **EU citizens** from: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, UK, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Hungary.
- **NON-EU citizens with equivalent status are:**
 - Candidates from the following countries: Norway, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Switzerland and RSM;
 - Candidates holding one of the following: EU long-term residence permit, (former EC long-term residence permit or residence card), residence permit for the purpose of



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employment or self-employment, for family reasons, political or humanitarian asylum, or on religious grounds;

- Candidates that have been a resident in Italy for at least one year, holding a qualification obtained in Italy;
- Candidates with the following diplomas: final diploma of an Italian school abroad or foreign or international schools operating in Italy or abroad, subject to bilateral agreements or special regulations for the recognition of qualifications and which satisfy the general conditions required for entry for study purposes (see art. 26 of Italian Law no. 189 of 30 July 2002);
- Candidates whose parents are in service at a foreign Diplomatic Representation or international organization working in Italy (accredited with the Italian government or the Holy See).

- **NON EUROPEAN Citizens resident abroad**

These are citizens of a country that is not a member of the EU and do not possess the requirements to be treated as equivalent to EU citizens.

Admission of **non-EU citizens resident abroad** is regulated by the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR – Ministero dell'Istruzione Università e Ricerca), with the Circular letter M.I.U.R. available on the official website www.miur.it. The deadlines for the **pre-enrollment** procedure will be confirmed by the same M.I.U.R. Circular letter, to be published in 2017.

Useful link: Unibo website <http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification>

IMPORTANT!

Non EU- students resident abroad, shall start at the same time administrative procedures at the Italian Embassy as soon as possible. Dealing with the papers requires long time, sometimes months. **Do check deadlines carefully.** The **Embassy administrative procedures** include the required following documents:

- a) **Pre-enrollment** (Form A) at the University of Bologna to RESD (Laurea Magistrale in Resource Economics and Sustainable Development), academic year 2017/2018, can be downloaded here: <http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/pre-enrolment-in-the-italian-diplomatic-representations-abroad>
- b) **Declaration of Value/ Dichiarazione di valore.** The DOV is a Statement issued by the foreign Italian diplomatic authorities (Embassy, Consulate) of **territorial reference**. The DOV is an official document which provides a short description of a foreign study qualification, awarded to a specific person by an institution belonging to an educational system other than the Italian one. Check with the Embassy the list of papers you will need to provide before submitting your request.
Read all details about DOV here: <http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/declaration-of-value>
- c) **Visa for Study** reasons ("Immatricolazione Università").



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3. HOW TO APPLY FOR THE MASTER PROGRAMME

In order to guarantee the quality of the educational environment, admission to the RESD Program is regulated by a selection process evaluating the applicants' motivation, academic preparation and language ability. Before you start your application, make sure you have all your supporting documents scanned and ready to upload.

3.1 Application procedure in 2 steps:

STEP 1 – FIRST LOG IN (only if you do not have a “unibo” account). You will need to set up an IT account so that you can then log in to track your application and to finalize enrolment with Unibo, if you are successful:

- a) Connect to www.studenti.unibo.it to create your personal User ID and Password;
- b) Click on “*Se non sei ancora registrato, vai qui*” (if you are not registered yet), and you will be able to switch to English language, if necessary.
- c) Register by providing the required details (**foreign** student without the Italian Tax Code/*Codice Fiscale* can click on “International students registration”) and fill in the form to create your User ID and Password.
- d) After your first access, you will be notified to change your password. Keep a note of your user ID and IT account details as you will need these throughout the process.

STEP 2 – APPLICATION (User ID and Password required)

- a) Connect to www.studenti.unibo.it with your **username** and **password** (STEP 1 above).
- b) Click on the “Entrance Exams – AlmaWelcome!” button.
- c) Select “Second cycle degree programme”, then next.
- d) Select “RESD – Resource economics and sustainable development”, then next
- e) Upload the required documents in **.pdf format**.

3.2 Required documents

All supporting documents have to be provided in English:

- a) **Evidence of qualifications** (degree certificates and transcript of records) to show that you meet or expect to meet the entry requirements. According to D.P.R. 445/2000, Italian citizens can provide a self-certification of the academic qualification achieved in Italy and of the transcript of records.



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- b) **CV** (Curriculum Vitae) duly signed*. Please download and use the *Template* on the web site. The file must be named: "Cv Full Name"
- c) **Letter of motivation** (maximum length 1500 words): A personal statement detailing why you wish to study the course, your experiences, what you can bring to the course and any other information that you see as relevant to your application. Duly signed*
- d) **Letter of reference** written by a University Professor or employer on headed paper.
- e) Copy of a **valid identity document** (ID card, or passport).
- f) Copy of your **residence permit** (if possessed).
- g) **Any relevant document** for the evaluation process, such as certificates attesting experiences of study/work, optional (in Italian or in English), completed training activities or skills acquired by the candidate (eg GRE, GMAT, certificates of attendance of specialization courses, summer schools, internships, etc.)
- h) **Evidence of English language proficiency** (optional during the application process) equivalent to the B2 level of the Council of Europe. The assessment of English language ability can be certified by: internationally recognised language certification tests (such as TOEFL, IELTS as in the table below), internationally recognised English schools.

The following cases are exempted from this assessment and need to fill in and attach the **FORM G** on studenti online:

- Graduates in a degree program delivered entirely in English
- English native speakers. Mother tongue status, that is to say being an Italian citizen or a foreigner who, by family derivation or language experience, has the ability to express himself naturally in English.
- Graduates in English language and literature or equivalent

Students with a minimum of **30 cfu** in transcript of records, for teaching activities taught in English taken during the course of the university career, must upload the transcript indicating the exam level and grade obtained (corresponding to a B2 level). In the absence of the grade, also attach a letter of the teacher (attesting that the minimum level reached by passing the exam is B2).

The following table reports the appropriate score to be met before starting the course. Nevertheless, **candidates without the appropriate score can apply but have to present the certificate by 31/12.**



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CERTIFICATE	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
British Council; IDP: IELTS Australia; University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations	IELTS 3.5 – 4.0	IELTS 4.5 – 5.0	IELTS 5.5 – 6.0 – 6.5	IELTS 7.0 – 7.5	IELTS 8.0 – 8.5 – 9.0
Educational Testing Service (ETS)		TOEFL iBT 60 – 79 TOEIC 343-599	TOEFL iBT 80 – 99 TOEIC 600-900	TOEFL iBT 100 – 108 TOEIC 900-990	TOEFL iBT 109 – 120
Trinity College London	ISE 0	ISE I	ISE II	ISE III	ISE IV
University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations	Key (KET)	Preliminary (PET)	First (FCE)	Advanced (CAE)	Proficiency (CPE)

IMPORTANT! Last-year students of a first cycle degree/ bachelor programme can apply even before completing their first cycle degree/ bachelor programme, and have their dossier revised, but they must graduate by November 15th, 2019 or they will not be able to finalize the enrolment and the application will be void.

The documents submitted are subject to the Italian Presidential Decree 445/2000. The candidates must be aware as well of the penalties laid down by the article 496 of the Italian Penal Code in case of false statements and false certifications.

3.3 Results

The **ranking list** will be available on STUDENTI ONLINE after each intake.

Accepted candidates can proceed with the final enrolment, according to terms and conditions as stated by the University of Bologna in due time. Deadlines will be available on Unibo official webpage.

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA and RESULTS

Admission to the 2nd Cycle Degree Programme RESD is conditional on the assessment of the personal qualification by the Degree Programme Board through the evaluation of the submitted documents, according to the following criteria:

- **Academic merit**, it refers to the quality of the bachelor degree (first cycle) attended as well as to the final grade attained: **max 50 points**;
- **Motivation**, it refers to the quality of the motivation letter and reference letter: **max 20 points**;



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- **Coherence** between the academic curriculum and the learning objectives of RESD: **max 15 points**;
- **Work experience** assessed by the CV and other possible documents: **max 15 points**.

Minimum points to be accepted: 60/100.

4.1 Results

The **ranking list** will be available on unibo personal profile after each intake (see art. 5.1 Table 2). Accepted candidates can proceed with the final enrolment, according to terms and conditions as stated by the University of Bologna in due time. Deadlines will be available on Unibo official webpage.

4.2 Pre-acceptance letter NON-EU applicants

Pre-accepted NON-EU applicants will receive a pre-acceptance letter via e-mail, which has to be delivered at the Italian representative abroad, in order to start **visa procedure** through the Italian Embassy-Consulate in the country of residence. It is the applicants' responsibility to check carefully any deadline for visa and **pre-enrolment procedure** at any Italian Embassy/Consulate.

Important!

The pre-acceptance letter is referred to the successful result of the evaluation by Degree Programme Board: it does not imply the confirmation of the legal value of the qualification, for the enrolment at the University in Italy.

Unconditional admission, however, is carried out by the appointed Student Administration Office upon delivery of original documents. The verification includes: degree title, nature, duration and level, deputy institution of release, previous education, academic rights and effective achievement.

5. WHEN TO APPLY

5.1 Deadlines

Applicants will be evaluated in three different intakes, on a first-come first-serve basis, so candidates are invited to apply as early as possible, starting from February 2019. Intakes A and B are particularly important for non-EU students, since they have to deal with administrative procedure through the Italian Embassy/ Consulate in their home country; and for candidates applying for scholarships offered by University of Bologna (UNIBO Action 2). For individual advisory on the application and personal requests, applicants can get in contact with our staff. Always quote user ID and intake code.

Although there is no official limit in the number of places available on the programme, the efficient size for the RESD class is around 45/50 students. The appointed Admission Board will examine the applications in several intakes, according to the rules outlined in art. 4, within the following **deadline** schedule:



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Intake	Opening intake	Deadline intake	Results publication	Non-EU applicants	EU applicants
1	12/02/2019	03/04/2019 h 12.00	18/04/2019	yes	yes
2	24/04/2019	01/07/2019 h 12.00	18/07/2019	yes	yes
3	23/07/2019	26/08/2019 h. 12.00	06/09/2019	Yes*	yes

* Non-EU applicants can apply **under condition** they already submitted pre-enrolment (form A) to the Italian Embassy within due date (deadlines to be checked at Italian Embassy at home country). The form duly stamped by the Embassy must be uploaded with all other supporting documents.

5.2 How to enrol at the University of Bologna

If the master's application is successful, the accepted candidate **will receive a formal communication**, with all details about enrolment procedures. Starting from the end of July through the end of November 2017 pre-accepted applicants will have to complete the enrolment procedures at the University of Bologna through the website: www.studenti.unibo.it using the unibo account.

6. GRANTS FOR NEWLY ENROLLED STUDENTS: AY. 2019/2020

In order to encourage the enrolment of international students, the Department of Economics will award 4 prizes of 3.000€ each, distributed as follows:

- 1 grant for EU and NON EU students admitted in the first intake,
- 2 grants for NON EU students admitted in the second intake,
- 1 grant for EU and NON EU students admitted in the third intake

Each grant amounts to € 2.765 gross of taxes. The grant is granted for one academic year. Grants that are not assigned in one intake will be assigned in the following intakes. Grants not assigned after all intakes have taken place will be assigned in the following academic year.



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Eligibility

The Grants are reserved to EU and NON EU students who have graduated in a non-Italian University, that will enrol in Resource Economics and Sustainable Development – RESD in academic year 2019/20 and that have been admitted **with a minimum score of 90 points**.

Selection

The grants will be granted by the Admissions Board, based on the admission ranking. Only students who meet the eligibility requirements will be considered (see section "Eligibility").

Grants will be assigned based on the admission ranking, starting with the first eligible student and going down to the second, third ... and so on, considering all the students who have obtained at least 90 points out of 100 in the admission procedure. If one of the students fails to accept the grant and/or declines the grant, the grant is granted to the student who comes next in the ranking. Students who get less than 90 point in the admission procedure cannot be considered for the grant.

In case of a tie (same admission points), the youngest applicant will get priority.

The ranking for the assignment of the grants is approved by a decree of the Director of the Department of Economics.

Acceptance

Students who are selected for the grant will be informed via e-mail at the address that they provide when they apply for RESD selection in the platform "studenti online". Within 10 days from the reception of the news about the assignment of the grant, the winner should write to this email address cdlm.resd@unibo.it and state that he/she accepts the grant at the terms stated in this procedure, without further conditions. Failure to accept the grant is tantamount to decline it.

Payment

The payment of the grant will take place only if these conditions apply:

- The student effectively enrolls in the study programme Laurea Magistrale in Resource Economics and Sustainable Development – RESD (the student should pay the first instalment of the tuition fees, bring his/her documents and have them approved, and finally collect the student's badge)The student has filled in the relevant forms for the payment.

The payment will take place by means by one of the following methods

- Bank wire transfer to an account in the name of the beneficiary with IBAN in the SEPA area;
- Bank wire transfer to a rechargeable card in the name of the beneficiary with IBAN code;
- Bank wire transfer to an account in the name of the beneficiary outside the SEPA area, with commissions fully borne by the beneficiary.



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Incompatibility with other prizes

The grant is compatible with other financial grants that may be/have been obtained by the beneficiary, unless incompatibility is stated for the other financial grants that the student may have been awarded. It is down to the beneficiary to check whether other grants/grants are not compatible with the grant awarded by the Department of Economics. In such a case, they should choose for one type of grant or the other.

Declining the prize or losing of the prize

Students who intend to decline the grant should send an e-mail to cdlm.resd@unibo.it

If a student declines the grant, it will be assigned to the following student in the selection ranking, who is admitted with a score of minimum 90 points.

7. UNIBO ACTION 1 AND 2

The University of Bologna offers to deserving international students who wish to register for First Cycle, Second Cycle Programmes at the University of Bologna for A.Y. 2019/20:

- study grants of €11,000 gross (**Unibo Action 2**);
- tuition fee waivers (**Unibo Action 1**).

The study grants and the tuition fee waivers are assigned on the basis of SAT and GRE, for one academic year.

Information is available on the Unibo Page, [Unibo Action 1 and 2](#)

8. CONTACTS

- Further information on the **academic content** of the degree programme:

RESD Programme Director, Prof. Elettra Agliardi	elettra.agliardi@unibo.it
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- For further information on the **admission procedure** and/or immigration rules in Italy:

RESD Programme Coordinator, Manuela Genghi	cdlm.resd@unibo.it 0541/434119
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- **International Students** and **candidates with a foreign qualification** need to visit the [official web page](#) of the University of Bologna and get in contact with:

International Desk - Rimini Campus	campusrimini.internationaldesk@unibo.it
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