

Annex 1. Notice

# SAIHUB FELLOWS PROGRAMME NOTICE FOR THE AWARDING OF No. 25 ECONOMIC INCENTIVES FOR ENROLMENT IN THE FIRST YEAR OF A SECOND CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMME IN A.Y. 2023-2024

#### Art. 1 – SUBJECT AND PURPOSE

- 1. The University of Siena, the Monte dei Paschi di Siena Foundation, the Municipality of Siena, Confindustria Toscana Sud, the Toscana Life Sciences Foundation and the SAIHub Business Network established the *SAIHub Foundation* in 2022 with the task of fostering a local ecosystem that generates and attracts high-level expertise with great potential for developing the region's most important economic sectors.
- 2. The SAIHub Foundation promotes the development of aid programmes for undergraduate students, "SAIHub Fellows", implemented through the provision of economic incentives to enrol in specific master's degree programmes and of activities supporting the development of specialized professionals in AI-related fields. Activities for developing specialized professionals, which will continue after graduation, include:
  - participation in seminars and workshops with industry experts;
  - participation in community events and in-depth discussions on topics of interest (selfentrepreneurship);
  - involvement in research and development projects promoted by the SAIHUB Business Network;
  - organization of curricular traineeships offered by companies in the Network This notice announces the funding of:
- 3. **no. 25 scholarships**, each amounting to € **1,500 gross**, for students enrolling in **the first year** of the following second cycle degree programmes in academic year 2023/2024:
  - Sustainable Industrial Pharmaceutical Biotechnology
  - Medical Biotechnologies
  - Artificial Intelligence and Automation Engineering

#### Art. 2 – REQUIREMENTS AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

- 1. Students who, on the date of application submission:
  - are enrolled in AY 2023/2024 in the current first year of the second cycle degree programmes referred to under art.1 para. 3;
  - are eligible to apply.
- 2. Students who are already recipients of emoluments, disbursements and/or reductions of any kind are required to verify that these are compatibile with the benefits covered by this notice.
- 3. The following must be attached to the application:
  - **list of exams passed** to obtain the qualification required for admission to the second cycle degree programme (LM, *Laurea Magistrale*) subject of this notice; foreign students must present this list translated into Italian or English
  - **curriculum vitae,** including self-certification of the final degree score awarded for the qualification required for admission to the second cycle degree programme (LM, *Laurea Magistrale*) subject of this notice, and attesting to any other qualifications and curricular experience.
- Applications may be submitted from 12 noon on 4 September 2023 until 12 noon on 31 January 2024, exclusively by accessing the dedicated area of the Segreteria On-line platform <a href="https://segreteriaonline.unisi.it">https://segreteriaonline.unisi.it</a> (access the menu item: Incentivi, premi, borse e sottoscrizioni Incentives, Awards, Scholarships and Subscriptions); applications submitted by other means will not be accepted.
- 5. To confirm application submission, you **must** "print out the final receipt" (confirming submission of your application, **without this printout candidates are excluded from the competition**) and keep it; **do not** send or



deliver the receipt to the *Ufficio borse e incentivi allo studio* and **do not** attach it to the application.

### Art. 3 – BOARD OF EXAMINERS AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

- 1. The Board of Examiners shall be appointed by special provision and shall be composed as follows:
  - University of Siena: 3 members
  - SAIHUB Foundation: 1 member
  - Technical partner: 1 member
  - SAIHUB business network: 1 member
- 2. The Board assesses and selects applicants by a majority vote of its members.
- 3. In formulating the merit ranking, the Board can award 100 points based on the following criteria:
  - final degree score awarded for the qualification (first cycle degree, single cycle degree, bachelor's degree, etc.) required for admission to the second cycle degree programme (*Laurea Magistrale*) subject of this notice
  - list of exams passed to obtain the qualification (first cycle degree, single cycle degree, bachelor's degree, etc.) required for admission to the second cycle degree programme (*Laurea Magistrale*) subject of this notice
  - qualifications and curriculum
- 4. Where deemed appropriate, the criteria may change for each degree programme. Documented experience with companies in the SAIHUB Network will be a preferential qualification in the evaluation of candidates.
- 5. To determine the merit ranking, the Board may establish other criteria and, where deemed appropriate, these criteria may differ from one degree programme to the other.
- 6. The scholarships will be distributed equally among the three degree programmes, but the board has the faculty to distribute in different proportions if for any programme there are fewer successful applications than available scholarships.
- 7. In the case of a tie, the younger applicant(s) will be given preference.

#### Art. 4 – MERIT RANKING AND AWARDING OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

- 1. The Board formulates the merit ranking, which is approved by an appropriate provision of the University and published on the web pages of the *Ufficio borse, incentivi allo studio e tutorato*: www.unisi.it/borse
- 2. It is incumbent on the applicants to view the outcome of the competition at: www.unisi.it/borse
- 3. The scholarship is disbursed in a lump sum.
- 4. Students who are not awarded the second cycle degree subject of this notice (art.1 paragraph 3) will be required to repay the amount of the scholarship, as it is reserved for said programme.

#### Art. 5 – TAXATION

- The incentives referred to in this notice are grants/scholarships and are subject to taxation under article 50, paragraph 1, letter c) of Presidential Decree 917/1986, which provides for a progressive IRPEF, additional and municipal withholding taxes and the recognition of tax deductions provided for income assimilated to employment.
- 2. Should tax regulations change before receipt of the grant, the recipient shall be promptly informed.

#### Art. 6 – PROCESSING AND PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA.

- 1. The University of Siena processes personal data exclusively for institutional purposes, in compliance with the principles set out in Article 5 of EU Regulation 679/2016 on the protection of personal data (GDPR), the Regulation just referred to, and applicable privacy and data protection regulation.
- 2. The Data Controller is the University of Siena, legally represented by the Rector (e-mail: rettore@unisi.it; PEC: rettore@pec.unisipec.it). According to the Regulations of the University of Siena on the processing of personal data (R.D. no. Rep. 56/2022 prot. no. 14879 of 13/01/2022), the Data Protection Officer is dott.ssa Chiara Siliva



1240 Armida Angiolini (email: <u>rpd@unisi.it</u>; certified email: rpd@pec.unisipec.it);

- 3. Data provision is mandatory for the purpose of awarding the scholarship. Refusal to do so would make it impossible to award the scholarship.
- 4. As the "Data Subject", the person submitting an application may exercise in respect of the University of Siena all the rights provided for in article 15 et seq. of EU Regulation 2016/679 by addressing the Data Processor or the Data Controller. You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the Supervisory Authority pursuant to Article 77 of the EU Regulation. In Italy, the function of supervisory authority is exercised by the Data Protection Authority (https://www.garanteprivacy.it);
- 5. The privacy policy may be viewed at: www.unisi.it/ateneo/adempimenti/privacy

## Art. 7 – FINAL PROVISIONS

- 1. The procedure manager is the Head of the *Ufficio borse, incentivi allo studio e tutorato* Financial aid and Mentoring Office (anna.majuri@unisi.it).
- 2. This notice is published on the University's online noticeboard at: <u>www.unisi.it/borse</u> and on the web pages of the relevant departments.