

## AstroFIt2 "ASTRONOMY FELLOWSHIPS IN ITALY 2" 2<sup>nd</sup> call for proposals

INAF, the Italian National Institute for Astrophysics is pleased to announce the opening of the second call for proposals of the AstroFIt2 Programme (<u>http://www.astrofit2.inaf.it</u>), in co-funding with the European Commission's Horizon 2020 Programme, under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND action. The call offers nine (9) transnational grants, each one enabling researchers to carry out a project for a period of three (3) years in the INAF research centers in Italy of their choice.

The applicants will have the possibility to choose one or more, in the case of interdisciplinary projects, among the following scientific areas: galaxies and cosmology; stars, stellar population and interstellar medium; sun and solar system; relativistic and particle astrophysics; advanced technology and instrumentation; any other astrophysics subject (e.g.: exoplanets, astrobiology, etc.) relevant for INAF scientific activities.

To be eligible, at the time of the deadline for submission of proposals, applicants shall fulfil the following requirements, on pain of exclusion, in order to participate to the selection:

a1) shall have a PhD degree, plus a maximum of eight (8) years of post-PhD research experience;

or, in the case of lack of PhD degree,

**a2**) shall have a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of twelve (12) years of full-time equivalent research experience (including the period of research training), acquired after the degree formally necessary for the admission to a doctorate in the country where the degree was obtained or in the country where the fellowship is taking place;

**b**) shall be researchers who have not resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Italy for more than twelve (12) months in the three (3) years immediately prior to the call deadline (short stays, e.g.: holidays, are not taken into account).

Publication date: **20 May 2016** Deadline for submission of applications: **5 July 2016, at 12.00 noon (CET)**.

For further information and documents, please visit the AstroFIt2 website <u>www.astrofit2.inaf.it</u> or contact <u>astrofit\_info@inaf.it</u>.



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