

## **Resolution of the Rector of the University of Girona announcing the Complementary call for proposals for the requalification of the Spanish university system for 2021 to 2023 (REQ2022).**

Faced with the situation generated by the International pandemic caused by COVID-19, the European Council, at its meeting on 21 July 2020, agreed on a package of measures aimed at enabling the European Union and its Member States to emerge stronger from this crisis. These measures include the future reinforced Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) for the period 2021-2027, and the implementation of the European Recovery Instrument “Next Generation EU”.

In Spain, Royal Decree-Law 36/2020, of 30 December, which approves urgent measures for the modernization of the public administration and for the implementation of the Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan, constitutes the road map to guide the process of programming, inclusion in the budget, management and execution of the actions to be financed with European funds, especially the actions to be financed with European funds.

In this context, an essential element in the process of recovery and reconstruction is the modernization of the Spanish university system, as a key element for the production of knowledge and innovation, as well as for the training of a responsible citizenry and the improvement of their professional skills.

The human capital of public universities is a fundamental asset for achieving the aforementioned objectives. Encouraging the requalification and the national and international mobility of their teaching and research staff will make it possible to increase the quality of the public service they provide and thus guarantee the right to education. The training of young doctors, the promotion of the mobility of its teaching and research staff by maintaining the high level of qualification of civil servant or contract university teaching staff, and the attraction of international talent within Spanish public universities are fundamental objectives for catalysing the modernization of the Spanish university system and, in short, promoting an improvement in the quality of education in Spain.

Having regard to Royal Decree 289/2021 of 20 April, which regulates the direct award of grants to Spanish public universities for the upgrading of the Spanish university system as part of the package of measures approved by the European Council on 21 July 2020 to boost the convergence, resilience and transformation of the European Union.

Having regard to the fact that the University of Girona (hereinafter UdG) has been allocated €3,717,309, allocated on the basis of the number of people who have obtained the title of doctor in 2017, 2018 and 2019, and the number of full-time equivalent teaching and research staff who will carry out their duties during the academic year 2019/2020.

Having regard to Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May, which grants the subsidies provided for in Royal Decree 289/2021, of 20 April, which regulates the direct awarding of subsidies to public universities for the requalification of the Spanish university system.

See the Strategic Plan of the UdG “UdG2030: the sum of intelligences”, approved in session 3/2019 of the UdG Senate, on 14 March 2019; in session 2/2019 of the UdG Governing Council, on 21 March 2019; and in session 2/2019 of the Social Council, on 11 April 2019, which includes a

strategic line dedicated to "Talent for the sum of intelligence", which incorporates the following objective: "6. 1. To promote policies for attracting and retaining talent that guarantee an influx of professionals who can accredit international excellence and competence in the skills required by the UdG to carry out the strategic plan focused on the sum of intelligences".

Having regard to the fact that on 2 July 2021 the University of Girona published its call for applications for grants for the requalification of the Spanish university system for 2021-2023 (REQ2021), which finally awarded the following grants for a total amount of **€3,745,290.44** on 30 November 2021:

- Modality A: 25 grants for a total amount of €1,868,300.
- Modality B: 3 grants for a total amount of €185,490.44.
- Modality C: 17 grants for a total amount of €1,691,500.00

Having regard to the fact that in the resolutions of 22 December 2021 and 4 April 2022, several resignations have been accepted, and the freed-up grants have been allocated to the persons selected from the reserve list, whenever possible, so that the grants awarded in this call for applications have finally totalled **€3,537,890.44**, as follows:

- Modality A: 25 grants for a total amount of €1,859,900.00.
- Modality B: 3 grants for a total amount of €185,490.44.
- Modality C: 15 grants for a total amount of €1,492,500.00

Having regard to the expiry of the deadline set out in point 14.2 of the call for proposals REQ2021 with regard to the maximum time limit for covering the reserves due to resignations.

Having regard to point 14.3 of the REQ2021 call for proposals, which establishes the possibility of publishing a single complementary call for proposals in order to distribute the funds remaining from the first call for proposals, which amounted to €179,418.56.

Having regard to the agreement of approval of the call REQ2022 taken by the Delegate Commission for Research, Transfer and Doctoral Studies of the University of Girona, carried out in session 4/2022 dated 20 April 2022, and informed by the Delegate Commission for Personnel.

In view of the foregoing facts and legal grounds, in virtue of Decree 1065/2017, of 22 December (DOGC no. 7525, of 29.12.2017) on the appointment of the Rector of the University of Girona, and in accordance with the provisions of articles 93 and 97 of the Statutes of the University of Girona, approved by Agreement GOV/94/2011, of 7 June, (DOGC no. 5897, of 09.06.2011).

In accordance with the foregoing, the present resolution on the public announcement of places and grants is hereby issued.

## **I RESOLVE,**

### **1. Objective**

The purpose of this resolution is to approve the 2022 call, complementary to the 2021 call, for the awarding of grants, on a competitive basis, for stays to attract international talent, in accordance

with the resignations not covered by reserves in the call for Grants for the requalification of the Spanish university system for 2021-2023 (REQ2021).

This call for applications is intended for Modality C. **María Zambrano Grants for attracting international talent**, established in Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May, which grants the subsidies provided for in Royal Decree 289/2021, of 20 April, which regulates the direct awarding of subsidies to public universities for the requalification of the Spanish university system.

## 2. Beneficiaries

Beneficiaries may be those who hold the title of Doctor, and on the closing date of the deadline for submission of applications complete the requirements established in point 5 of this resolution.

Persons who meet any of the circumstances established in article 13 of the General Law on Subsidies may not obtain the status of beneficiary.

## 3. Funding

The funding for this complementary call, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 289/2021, of 20 April, and Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May, corresponds to the Ministry of Universities and amounts to €179,418.56. This amount is part of the amount granted to the UdG of €3,719,309.00, divided into three annual instalments of €1,239,103 each, for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023.

These funds will be managed by the UdG, expenditure unit 11.01.236, expenditure applications 131.00 for the remuneration of the work contract, 160.00 for the employer's contribution and 481.00 for the installation and relocation expenses, throughout the financial years 2023 and 2024.

In order to be able to grant all the grants in this call, it will be necessary for the UdG to supplement the financing of the number of grants offered, for an amount of €19,581.44 from the expenditure unit 11.01.201, budget applications 131.00, for the remuneration of the employment contract and 160.00 for the employer's contribution.

All of the benefits will be subject to personal income tax in accordance with current tax legislation.

## 4. Number of grants

4.1 This call finances a monthly allowance during the stay, in the form of a contract and a single allowance for travel and accommodation expenses for each beneficiary.

4.2. The total budget for this call is €199,000 and **2 grants will be awarded under modality C**, María Zambrano Grants for the attraction of international talent.

4.3 The grants will be distributed to the departments of the UdG in accordance with the Annex to this document, in order to strengthen their R+D+I policy as a basic research unit. The aim of the distribution is to help the departments to cover the deficit of postdoctoral staff working together with the consolidated staff of the department.

They are therefore aimed at departments with a need for teaching and research staff, and with difficulties in covering the generational replacement, while guaranteeing a research framework that welcomes the postdoctoral researcher that is hired. This strategy should make departments more dynamic in their research capacity.

In the event that a grant cannot be awarded to the department concerned due to a lack of applications with sufficient points, it will be passed on to the department in the next position.

4.4 For this call, UdG research groups, groupings of up to 2 UdG research groups and SGRs are considered as *Recipient research groups*.

## 5. Specific conditions of the grants

### 5.1 Requirements for beneficiaries

a) The grants are aimed at teaching and research staff, of any nationality, with an accumulated postdoctoral career of **no less than 24 months at the time** of the deadline for applications, to Spanish universities or research centre, or abroad, the statutes of which include research as a mission, other than that of the doctoral thesis.

In addition, at the time of application:

- They must be carrying out research and/or teaching projects at **foreign** universities, research centre or organizations.
- They must be residing in the country where the university or research centre is located.

b) The postdoctoral career requirement will be justified by having maintained an accumulative link, with Spanish or foreign universities or research centre, of at least two years, with or without a contract. This must be accredited by means of documents issued by the corresponding organizations.

c) The stay must be at the University of Girona.

d) The **duration** of the stay will be **2 years**, in a single uninterrupted stay, from 1/1/2023 to 31/12/2024.

Exceptionally, in the case of resignations that cannot be covered by reservations because the start date of the contract cannot be 1/1/2023, due to the procedures prior to contracting, the stays will only be for 1 year, and a situation may arise in which a resignation is covered by two reservations, each of them being granted one year's stay.

### 5.2 Amount of the grant

The amount of each contribution includes:

- a) The total cost of the contract, including the employer's social security contribution, for the 2 years, amount to €96,000 (€48,000€ annually).
- b) An allocation of €3,500 for relocation and installation expenses.

### 5.3 Documentation

Candidates must attach the following documents to the application form:

- a) *Curriculum vitae abbreviated* (CVA FECYT model or UdG model).
- b) Accreditation, with certificates, of the accumulated postdoctoral career of the candidate with an indication of the periods of association with other bodies or institutions, accumulating a minimum of 24 months (other than that of the doctoral thesis).
- c) Scientific and technical history of the *Receiving research group* ((according to point 4.4), according to the standard model, indicating the SGR group or UdG groups, as appropriate).
- d) Memorandum justifying the suitability of the candidate for the research and knowledge transfer needs of the *Receiving research group*, and the expected impact, according to the standard model.

Subsequently, the OITT will request the approval and assessment of the Department Council, if necessary also by the Institute Council, as well as the approval of the tutor at the UdG. In the event of becoming a beneficiary, it will be assigned to the UdG research group and to the department and/or research institute of the tutor.

- e) Acceptance of the stay issued by the *Receiving research group*.
- f) Accreditation of the research project and/or teaching at universities, research centres or organizations abroad that is being carried out at the time of the application.
- g) Identification of the UdG tutor.
- h) Full summary of the indicators, according to the standard model.
- i) Full summary of the postdoctoral career, according to the standard model.
- j) Doctor's degree
- k) Proof of residence abroad at the time of application (rental contract, census registration, etc.).

All documentation may be in Catalan, Spanish, English or French. Otherwise, a sworn translation will be required.

### 5.4 Conditions

- a) The beneficiaries, once the stay has begun, may agree with the department the option of carrying out teaching collaborations up to a maximum of 60 hours per year with the authorization of the Department Council. The UdG will incorporate these hours into the organization of its teaching and research staff, without this leading to any reduction in their teaching time.

- b) The training stays will be carried out on a continuous basis.
- c) The beneficiaries will have the same services and facilities as UdG researchers.
- d) The grants will be distributed in accordance with the stipulations of point 4.3 of this resolution.

## 6. Authorizations

The presentation of the application form implies authorization for the University of Girona to obtain, where legally required:

- Certificates stating that the beneficiaries are up to date with their tax and social security payments. They will be issued by the State Tax Administration Agency and by the General Treasury of the Social Security.
- The DNI or NIE, in case of granting the aid and Spanish nationality, issued by the General Directorate of the Police.
- The qualification of the studies obtained in the Spanish state issued by the Ministry of Education and Vocational Training.

The application may express opposition to obtaining this information. In the event of opposition, the applicant must provide supporting documentation when requested.

The validation and registration of the application implies that the applicant is not liable for the enforcement of obligations due to a final decision to reimburse subsidies.

## 7. Applications

7.1 The deadline for submitting applications through the electronic form found on the UdG website, <https://aserv2.udg.edu/RecercaReq> will begin on **25 April 2022** and end on **12 May 2022**.

The data to be provided shall be:

- a) *Recipient research group*, in accordance with point 4.4.
- b) Name and surname(s) of the person responsible for the *Recipient research group*

7.2 Applications can be modified until the last day of the application period, but only those changes that are validated and generate a new application will be taken into consideration.

7.3 Only one application can be submitted to the UdG.

7.4 The document generated must be signed by the applicant and submitted within the same deadline for applications through the [UdG electronic registry](#) (if the signature is electronic) or through a UdG registry office (if the signature is manual). It may also be submitted to Spanish diplomatic representations or consular offices abroad in accordance with the provisions of article 16 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on common administrative procedure for public administrations.

7.5 Applications that have not been registered on the application form will not be accepted, nor will additional documentation that has not been included on the form at the time of application.

7.6 Once the deadline for the submission of applications has expired, the OITT:

- a) Will ask the departments and, if applicable, also the research institutes where the tutors are assigned to carry out the research, to approve and assess the supporting memoranda submitted by the candidates. The agreement of the mentors shall also be required, in accordance with the provisions of point 5.3 above.
- b) Publish the provisional list of accepted and rejected applications on the notice board of the UdG's electronic bulletin board, indicating the reasons for non-admission and any possible objections that may be necessary for admission. All candidates and tutors will also be informed by e-mail, as a courtesy.

No new merits may be submitted during this period, only clarifications of those submitted during the application period.

Lack of conformity from the directors of the departments or research institutes, or from the tutors indicated in the application form, will be a cause for non-admission.

7.7 Interested parties may submit objections to this provisional list within **10 working days** of its publication. If no objection is made to the application, the application will be considered withdrawn. If no amendment is presented, this list will become definitive.

7.8 Once this period has elapsed, the definitive list of accepted and rejected applications will be published on the UdG's electronic bulletin board.

## 8. Evaluation

8.1 The selection process of candidates will be carried out by an Assessment Committee.

A minimum of 2 committees will be set up depending on the number of applications received in each area, and will include:

- A minimum of 3 technical members for the Humanistic and Social area, or 3 technical members for the Scientific-Technological and Health area.
- The Vice-Rector for Personnel
- The Vice-Rector for Research and Knowledge Transfer.

In all cases, the Head of the Research and Technology Transfer Office, or the person delegated by him/her, will act as secretary, with the right to see and not vote.

A resolution appointing the Assessment Committee will be published, which will include the names and surnames of the researcher members.

8.2 The composition shall:

- Tend to comply with parity between men and women.
- Be made up of a minimum of three researchers or teachers of recognized prestige.

- Be made up mainly of members from outside the University of Girona.

8.3 The assessment committees may be equipped with expert assessors from the different fields, following the requirements established in point 8.2, which will guide the decision making of the assessment committee.

8.4 A declaration of absence of conflict of interest will be required from the members of the appraisal committee and the expert appraisers.

8.5 It will ensure compliance with the principle of equal opportunities between the sexes in the selection process, in accordance with the provisions of Organic Law 3/2007, of 22 March, for the effective equality of men and women, promoting balanced representation between men and women.

8.6 The assessment will be carried out in a single phase in which the candidate will be assessed and the corresponding report-proposal will be issued.

8.7 The applications will be graded with a score between 0 and 100 points, with the following evaluation criteria:

- CVA of the candidate: up to 50 points.
- Scientific and technical record of the *Recipient research group*: up to 30 points.
- Memorandum: up to 20 points.

8.8 The Assessment Committee will assess the merits of the applicants, taking into account only the merits submitted within the deadline for submission of applications and reviews, and will only consider the merits for which all the requested information has been provided in order to be taken into account in the assessment process.

8.9 The department or research institute to which each application is assigned will evaluate the supporting memorandum of each candidate in accordance with the provisions of point 7.8.a) so that the Assessment Committee can take it into account, if it sees fit.

8.10 The minimum score required to pass the evaluation will be 80 points, but if the number of applications with a score equal to or higher than 80 is higher than the number of grants provided, the minimum score required for the application to be proposed for funding will be increased. The rest will constitute, in the same order, a reserve list.

8.11 Once the proposal for the awarding of the grants is available, the provisional evaluation list will be published on the UdG's electronic bulletin board and a period of **10 working days** will be opened for the candidates to present any objections.

8.12 The Delegate Committee for Research, Transfer and Doctoral Studies, on the basis of the assessment carried out and the rejections received, if applicable, will draw up a proposal for a resolution that will contain a proposal for funding and a list of reserves. The proposal will be submitted to the Rector of the UdG.

8.13 The Delegate Committee for Research, Transfer and Doctoral Studies will resolve any doubts and queries regarding the interpretation and application of this call for applications.



## 9. Resolution of the call for proposals

- 9.1 The procedure for awarding these grants is competitive.
- 9.2 The Rector of the University of Girona will resolve the call for applications, in view of the proposal presented by the Delegate Commission for Research, Transfer and Doctoral Studies, before 30 November 2022.
- 9.3 Once this period has elapsed without an express resolution, the requested grant will be considered rejected due to administrative silence in accordance with article 25.1 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations.
- 9.4 The decision will be made public and notified to interested parties through the UdG's electronic bulletin board and the National Grants Database.
- 9.5 The resolution will include the list of beneficiaries, with the amounts of the grants awarded, as well as the list of candidates in reserve in the event of resignations, non-acceptance or revocation as established in point 14.2 of this call for applications.
- 9.6 All stays shall be for 2 years and fractions thereof shall not be permitted. Exceptionally, in the event that persons on the reserve list who have to cover a resignation are unable to complete their stay within the financial year 2024, the stay shall be for 1 year only.

## 10. Acceptance of the grant

- 10.1 Within a maximum of **10 working days** from the publication of the Rector's decision to award the grants on the UdG's website, the beneficiaries of the grants must sign a document of acceptance in which the obligations are set out, and must provide the necessary documentation that will be required in order to proceed with the contracting.
- 10.2 If a candidate does not sign the acceptance of the grant within the specified period, he/she will be considered to have withdrawn and the grant will be allocated in accordance with the list of reserves.
- 10.3 Candidates who are on leave of absence for the birth and care of a minor, leave due to temporary incapacity or other situations that entail the suspension of the contract at the time of the application, must have their contract in force and full time dedication at the time of the start of the stay and for the duration of the benefit of the assistance.

## 11. Obligations of the beneficiaries

The obligations of the beneficiaries of the grants are as follows:

- 11.1 To carry out the stay from 1/1/2023 until 31/12/2024, or in the case of coverage of a resignation, adjusting the duration, for whole years, to end on 31/12/2024 at the latest.

11.2 Once they have joined, they must ask the researchers responsible for the receiving groups to complete and sign the certificate accrediting their incorporation. This document must be sent to the OITT within a maximum period of **15 calendar days** from the date of incorporation. Failure to comply with this obligation will result in the loss of the aid and its reallocation in accordance with the reserve list.

11.3 A scientific report of the activities carried out must be submitted:

- In the 12th month of the stay. Failure to comply with this obligation will result in the loss of the grant.
- One month after the end of the stay, in all modalities, in accordance with the provisions of point 19.3.
- In the event of resignation, detailing the activities carried out up to that time.

11.4 Carry out the activity in accordance with the rules set out in this call and in accordance with those that may be established by the managing body of the programme to supervise and evaluate the development of the work. In accordance with the provisions of point 19.3, a document justifying the stay issued by the host group must be provided at the end of the stay.

11.5 Request authorisation from the OITT for any modification that affects the period of enjoyment, or from the researcher responsible for the receiving group, under the terms indicated in point 12 of this call. The department cannot be modified.

11.6 To carry out the stay uninterruptedly. Any absence must be requested to the Human Resources Service of the UdG and must be authorized, under the terms established in point 15.

11.7 To fill in and send to the OITT, in the standard forms and within the established deadlines, all the documents accrediting the incorporation and justifying the stay, as well as any other document related to the stay that may be required.

The beneficiary is responsible for the veracity of all the documents provided, as well as for keeping the originals of the same in his/her possession.

11.8 To complete the entire period of the stay in order to achieve the purpose of the grant with full-time dedication, respecting at all times the UdG's own rules.

11.9 Communicate to the OITT the resignation of the grant, in accordance with the provisions of point 14, or the cancellation of the grant, in accordance with the provisions of point 15.3, in the event that once incorporated at the UdG, the researcher is obliged to abandon his/her research work.

11.10 To publish or disseminate the results that may arise from the activities carried out under this call, where appropriate, making express reference to the affiliation with the University of Girona, and the funding of the Ministry of Universities and the "European Union - Next Generation" with the inclusion of the 3 corresponding logos and the text: "Activity funded by the European Union-Next Generation EU, the Ministry of Universities and the Plan for Recovery, Transformation and Resilience, through a call of the University of Girona".

11.11 To submit to the verification and financial control actions that may be carried out by the competent bodies, both national and Community, providing all the information that may be required in the exercise of the above actions.

11.12 Comply with the requirements set out in article 13 of the General Law on Subsidies, and the obligations established for recipients of grants and subsidies in article 14 of the aforementioned Law, and the specific instructions of the Ministry of Universities.

## 12. Modifications of the conditions of the granted stays

The modifications that may be requested, duly justified, are those that affect the starting date of the stay, in the case of a candidate on the reserve list who cannot enjoy a 2-year grant because it ends after 31/12/2024, or the researcher responsible for the grant of the receiving group, provided that the group does not change. Modifications must be authorised by the OITT.

### 12.1 Modification of the start date

- a) An amendment may only be requested in the case of an applicant who has been awarded a grant from the reserve list, if the start date of the stay is no longer possible for a 2-year grant ending no later than 31/12/2024. In this case the support will only be for 1 year.

The application must be accompanied by the documentation justifying and accrediting the circumstances justifying it, and must have the approval of the receiving group, accrediting it.

- b) The modification of the start date shall not entail an increase in expenditure, and the new period of stay may not end later than 31 December 2024. The resolution authorising the modification shall be subject to the approval of the corresponding administrative formalities.
- c) The deadline for submission of the request for extension of the start date to the OITT shall be **31 October 2023** at the latest.

### 12.2 Change of investigator-in-charge of the host group

- a) A change of the lead researcher of the receiving group may only be requested for reasons beyond the control of the beneficiary. The new lead researcher must, in any case, appear as a member of the receiving group in the application submitted by the beneficiary to participate in this call.
- b) In general terms, this change can only be motivated by the absence or leave of the researcher responsible for the group and / or the UdG that coincides with the dates granted or authorised.
- c) The beneficiary is obliged to request the change of responsible researcher prior to joining the UdG, as he/she must have the corresponding authorisation before carrying out the stay. This request, duly motivated and accredited reasons, must have the agreement of both the researcher who had assumed responsibility for his stay at the UdG, as well as that of the member of the group who accepts to be the new responsible researcher.
- d) The modification of the person in charge, without prior authorisation, may imply a breach that will render the grant awarded null and void.

## 13. Formalization of the contract or the mobility allowance

13.1 Contracts will have the same duration as the stays, in accordance with the concession resolution.

13.2 In any case, the duration of the stays, and of the contracts paid by the Ministry of Universities, will be for full years and may not exceed, in any case, 31/12/2024.

## 14. Resignations and revocations

14.1 In the event that the researcher who is the beneficiary of a grant renounces this contract, he/she must present justification for the period executed, as specified in points 19.3 and 19.4.

14.2 The grants awarded that are not accepted by the beneficiaries, are not accepted by them, are resigned, have not been incorporated on the scheduled date or are revoked by 31/03/2023, will remain vacant and will be awarded to candidates from the reserve list of the same department. If there are none, they will go to the next department on the prioritisation list, as established in point 4.3.

In this case the grants will be for 1 year and the starting date of the stay may be modified. The approval of the receiving group will be required.

## 15. Absences and interruptions

### 15.1 Absences

In the event that it is necessary to travel to another centre while the stay is being carried out, due to the activity being carried out, an absence from the receiving centre may be requested from the Human Resources Service, maintaining the economic-administrative effects of the grant.

- a) Beneficiaries who have to travel to another centre for reasons directly related to the project in which they are participating can only do so after applying for an absence, which must be authorized. No other grant may be received to finance expenses during the period of absence, except in the case of travel and accommodation. Otherwise, it will be treated as a temporary interruption of the stay.
- b) The request for absence from the UdG must indicate the reason for the absence and must justify the need for it while the stay is being carried out. It shall require the approval of the person in charge of the host group.
- c) Once the absence is over, the beneficiary must submit a report on the activity carried out during the stay to the OITT, in the standard form, and must return to the UdG.

Any other absence can only be made by requesting the temporary interruption of the stay. Otherwise, the stay at the UdG cannot be made compatible with the activity for which the absence was requested.

### 15.2 Temporary interruptions of stays.

The following cases will require a prior application for temporary interruption of the stay, which must be authorized by the Human Resources Service:

- a) For beneficiaries who need to be absent from the receiving group, either for personal or professional reasons, such as thesis defence, participation in tribunals or commissions,

travel for other research projects in which they are principal investigator, or with which they are linked, or any other reason not directly related to the fulfilment of the foreseen objectives.

- b) In the case of situations of temporary incapacity, risk during pregnancy, leave for the birth and care of a minor, adoption or fostering, and risk during breastfeeding.
- c) Interruptions caused by the health emergency provoked by the COVID-19, which will be considered a force majeure.

Once the interruption has ended, the beneficiary must send the OITT, on a standard form, a certificate accrediting the date of return to the UdG.

It will not be possible to request the recovery of the interrupted period from the date of the end of the stay granted because the end date of the stay may not exceed 31 December 2024 and may not exceed 30% of the total period of the stay. This last paragraph will not be applicable in the cases established in points b) and c) above.

### 15.3 Leaves

- a) A leave of absence is considered to be when the beneficiary, once incorporated into the UdG, is obliged to conclude the stay before the last date granted.
- b) The grant will have no economic-administrative effects from the day on which the person leaves the UdG.
- c) It will not be considered leave when the end of the stay takes place during the last month of the period granted, and only the amount corresponding to the days of stay will be paid in this month.

## 16. Resolution of the grant

Total or partial non-compliance with the requirements or obligations established in this call for applications and other applicable regulations, as well as the conditions, if any, that appear in the award decision, the concealment or falsification of data, will lead to the termination of the contract.

The employment contract that is the object of this call for applications will be terminated on expiry of the time allowed or at the end of the stay that supports it. It may also be terminated 12 months after the start of its validity, for two-year grants, in the event of not obtaining a favourable evaluation of the supporting memorandum.

The beneficiaries of the grant covered by this call for proposals will be subject to the system of infringements and penalties as set out in Title IV of Law 38/2003 of 17 November 2003 on General Subsidies (Articles 52-69).

## 17. Incompatibilities of the grant

The enjoyment of these grants is incompatible with any other subsidy for the same concept. These grants will be compatible with work carried out in accordance with article 83 of Law 6/2001, of 21 December, on universities, provided that this work is directly related to the line of research in which the beneficiary's work plan is included.

The beneficiaries must notify the OITT of any additional grant, subsidy or income that finances the subsidized activity.

In any case, the contracted staff benefiting from these grants will be subject to the incompatibility regime applicable to the contracted teaching and research staff of the University of Girona.

## 18. Payment

18.1 If it is possible, payment of transfer expenses shall be made in two parts:

- 80% prior to the start of the stay.
- The remaining 20% once the certificate of incorporation issued by the recipient group is received, in accordance with point 11.2.

18.2 Payment of both contracts and mobility grants shall be made on a monthly basis, as established by the University of Girona for its teaching and research staff.

## 19. Monitoring and justification

19.1 The University of Girona will justify to the Ministry of Universities the concession of the grants until 31/12/2023, during the first quarter of 2024, by means of a justification account, according to point 9.2 of the Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May

19.2 The justification of the stays carried out until 31/12/2024 will be carried out by the UdG during the first quarter of 2025, according to point 9.3 of the Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May

19.3 The beneficiaries must present the justification of their stay, in accordance with the standard forms, within one month of the end of the stay, providing:

- a) A report from the person responsible for the receiving group certifying the report on the activities that have been carried out at the UdG, and the period during which it has been carried out.
- b) A scientific memorandum from the beneficiary indicating the activities carried out and the results obtained (minimum 5 pages and maximum 10 pages), in accordance with the provisions of point 11.2. It must be submitted in the 12<sup>th</sup> month and one month after the end of the stay.
- c) Additionally, the University of Girona may request from the beneficiaries any other supporting documentation related to these grants.

- 19.4 If the beneficiary renounces before the end of the grant, he/she must present a justification of the activities carried out in accordance with point 11.3, in the standard model.
- 19.5 The Delegate Commission for Research, Transfer and Doctoral Studies may, ex officio, initiate other monitoring and control actions derived from the documentation contained in the dossier, or from any other additional information.
- 19.6 The investments that the Ministry of Universities will make to implement component 21.I4 of the Plan for Recovery, Transformation and Resilience, "Training and capacity building of teaching and research staff", will be monitored by means of accrediting documentation issued by the host university or research centre that justifies the dates of the stay and the report on the activities carried out by the beneficiary. Monitoring through the information and control systems of the General Intervention of the State Administration. The unique reference code assigned to this aid in the Spanish Government's Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan is C21.I4.P1.

## 20. Regulations

In all matters not expressly provided for in this call for applications, the precepts of Law 38/2003, of 17 November, on general subsidies, Law 26/2010, of 3 August, on the legal rules of procedure of the public administrations of Catalonia, Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the common administrative procedure of public administrations, and Order UNI/551/2021, of 26 May, which grants the subsidies provided for in Royal Decree 289/2021, of 20 April, which regulates the direct awarding of subsidies to public universities for the requalification of the Spanish university system, will be applicable in addition to the provisions of this call for applications.

The Recommendation of the European Commission (2005/251/CE9 of 11/03/2005 (OJEU L75 of 22/03/2002) on the European Charter for Researchers and Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers will be applied.

## 21. Publicity and notifications

To order the publication of this resolution, and of any subsequent award resolutions due to resignations or revocations, on the notice board of the University of Girona's electronic office <https://seu.udg.edu/serveis-dinformacio/tauler-danuncis-electronic> and on the National Grants Database

Once the publicity referred to in the previous section has been carried out, the interested parties will be considered to have been notified, in accordance with the provisions of article 40 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the common administrative procedure for public administrations.

For the purposes of this call for applications, including the resolution of appeals in administrative proceedings, the month of August is considered inactive, as are the periods of closure of the University of Girona, where applicable declared by instruction of the Management.



The Rector,

Joaquim Salvi Mas

Against this decision, which completes the administrative process, and independent of its immediate execution, individuals may file an appeal to the rector of the University of Girona within one month from the day following the notification, in agreement with Articles 123 and 124 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, of common administrative procedures of public administrations. They may also file an administrative appeal with the administrative courts of Girona, within two months from the day following the notification, in accordance with the provisions of Articles 8.3, 14.1 and 46.1 of Law 29/1998, of 13 July, regulating contentious administrative jurisdiction.

Equally, individuals may file any other appeal that they consider appropriate in defence of their interests.



Annex.

DEPARTMENT	2 grants	PRIORITIZATION																			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Mechanical and Industrial Construction Engineering	1	█												█							
Business	1		█																█		
Nursing	0			█																█	
Physics	0				█																█
Computer Architecture and Technology	0					█															
Construction Architecture and Engineering	0						█														
Public Law	0							█													
Philology and Communication	0								█												
Philosophy	0									█											
Chemical Engineering Agriculture and Agricultural Tech.	0										█										
Environmental Sciences	0											█									
Specific Didactics	0												█								
Computer Science, Applied Mathematics and Statistics	0														█						
Privat Law	0															█					
Organization, Business Management and Product Design	0																█				
Medical Sciences	0																				█
Teaching	0																				
Electrical, Electronic and Automatic Engineering	0																				
Psychology	0																				
Geography	0																				
Economics	0																				
Biology	0																				
Chemistry	0																				
History and History of Art	0																				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>																				



DEPARTMENT	PRIORITIZATION (continued)																			
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
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