



# INTERNATIONAL ITINERANT PALEOGRAPHY SCHOOL

VENICE–PADUA–FLORENCE, 29 JUNE–5 JULY 2024

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - 10 SCHOLARSHIPS -

### THE PROJECT

The *Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales*, the *CéSor (Centre d'études en sciences sociales du religieux)* and the *Istituto di Studi Bizantini e Post-Bizantini* of Venice are funding the fourth edition of **IIPS–International Itinerant Paleography School**. The action (which is supported by the *Collège de France*, the *Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes*, the *École nationale des chartes* the universities of Bari, Florence, Padua, Rome, Salerno and Venice), will consist in a six-day training session:

**Venice, Padua and Florence – 29 June to 5 July 2024**

The focus of the initiative will be on ancient and medieval books, inscriptions and archival documents. This year, 10 fellows will participate in the research-intensive training programme, which includes seminars, lectures and visits to libraries, museums and research institutes. IIPS is a comparative and transdisciplinary study project centred on materials produced and circulated in the Mediterranean area from Antiquity to the Middle Ages. These include papyri, ostraca, tablets, parchments and inscriptions in Greek, Latin, Arabic and Coptic. The programme has a twofold objective. First, the seminars and visits, conducted by a team of leading scholars from Italy, France and Greece, will offer a unique opportunity for international scientific training. Second, young scholars will acquire comprehensive experience in working with manuscripts, from the study and publication of texts to aspects of conservation and public display. They will engage with academics, librarians, archivists, conservators and technicians, allowing them to discuss a broad range of issues from a diachronic and comparative perspective, based on a wide variety of skills, fields of expertise and cultural models.



## PROGRAMME<sup>1</sup>

### SATURDAY, 29 JUNE (VENICE)

*Istituto di Studi Bizantini e Post-Bizantini* : registration

### SUNDAY, 30 JUNE (VENICE)

09.30-10.00 – Official opening of *IIPS 2024*

10.00-13.00 – Fellows' workshop

16.00-19.00 – Seminar on the manuscripts of the *Istituto di Studi Bizantini e Post-Bizantini* and presentation of the ancient Greek manuscript loan registers of the *Biblioteca Nazionale Marciana*

20.30-22.00 – Group dinner

### MONDAY, 1 JULY (VENICE)

11.30-13.30 – Seminar at the *Biblioteca Nazionale Marciana*

15.00-17.00 – Seminar at the library of the *Fondazione Querini Stampalia*

### TUESDAY, 2 JULY (PADUA)

10.00-12.00 – Seminar at the University Library

14.00-16.00 – Seminar in the historical archive of *Palazzo Bo*

16.30-18.30 – Visit of *Palazzo Bo*

19.00-19.45 – Free visit of the *Cappella degli Scrovegni*

20.00 – Return to Venice

### WEDNESDAY, 3 JULY (VENICE)

09.30-12.00 – Seminar at library of *San Lazzaro degli Armeni*

16.00-18.00 – Free visit to the *Basilica of San Marco*

### THURSDAY, 4 JULY (VENICE)

10.00-12.00 – Seminar at the *Querini Stampalia* Foundation

Free afternoon

### FRIDAY, 5 JULY (FLORENCE)

07.00 – Departure by train from Venice

10.00-12.30 – Seminar at the *Biblioteca Medicea Laurenziana*

14.00-17.00 – Seminars at the 'Girolamo Vitelli' Papyrological Institute

17:00-17:30 – Conclusion of *IIPS 2024*

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<sup>1</sup> The detailed timetable will be sent to the fellows in due time.



## TEACHING TEAM

The teaching team includes professors from the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, the Collège de France, the École Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris), and the universities of Bari, Padua, Rome, Florence, Salerno and Venice.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

IIPS invites applications for **10 fellowships**, which will be awarded to **master's and doctoral students**.

Each scholarship includes

- 1) accommodation in Venice (*Istituto di Studi Bizantini e Post-Bizantini*)
- 2) participation in seminars and lectures
- 3) travel by rail from Venice to Florence

Scholarship holders will therefore be responsible for the cost of travel to and from their home country; meals; access to 'free visits' (see programme); travel between Venice and Padua (a short distance); travel within Venice and Florence.

Fellows will be required

- a) to participate in all visits/seminars ('free visits' are optional)
- b) to participate in the fellows' workshop on the first day, with a brief presentation of their own research project (10 minutes, using Powerpoint)

Fellows are responsible for obtaining valid passports and any necessary visas.

Certificates of participation will be issued to fellows after they have submitted a written presentation, together with photographic documents, of one of the seminar visits (a signed authorization form will be required for publication of the presentation on the IIPS website).

Participation in IIPS is also open to **4 auditors**, selected from post-doctoral students and professionals (librarians, archivists, etc.) after submitting an 'auditor application' (see below). Auditors will be able to take part in all IIPS initiatives, but will receive no assistance (accommodation, group dinner, train tickets). No certificates of participation will be issued to auditors.



## APPLICATION

Eligible candidates:

- a) students enrolled in a master's programme
- b) doctoral students

The following may apply as auditors:

- a) post-doctoral students
- b) librarians
- c) archivists
- d) professionals working in a sector related to IIPS activities

**Candidates certify that they understand both English and French.**

### DEADLINE

**Before noon 18 June 2024**, applicants must send an email to [itinerantpaleography@gmail.com](mailto:itinerantpaleography@gmail.com), stating their intention to apply for IIPS 2024, for a fellowship or as auditors (see below). Please specify in the subject line: « **IIPS 2024 fellowship** » or « **IIPS 2024 auditor** »

The following must be attached to your email, in PDF format:

- 1) the application form, duly filled in (see below)
- 2) a motivation letter (containing the statement « **I hereby undertake to participate in all activities of IIPS 2024** »)
- 3) a *curriculum vitae et studiorum* indicating your fields of interest
- 4) a letter of recommendation from your supervisor — this can be sent separately, to the same address, subject line « **Recommendation letter + name of candidate** » (*not required for free auditors*)
- 5) any other relevant documents

The directors of IIPS

Jean-Luc Fournet  
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## APPLICATION FORM

I, the undersigned, declare my intention to take part in IIPS 2024 as a

- Fellow  
 Auditor

### Personal data

(I authorize the processing of my personal data as part of IIPS 2024 activities and for non-commercial purposes)

**FAMILY NAME**

**FIRST NAME**

**ADDRESS** (place of residence)

**TEMPORARY ADDRESS** (place of study)

**PHONE NUMBER**

**E-MAIL**

**LEVEL OF EDUCATION ACHIEVED**

**NAME OF SUPERVISOR**

**I understand French and English.**

**Date**

**Signature**