



Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche

CALL N. 390.460 FOR THE DIRECTOR'S RECRUITMENT OF INSTITUTE OF FOOD SCIENCES (ISA) OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF ITALY

The National Research Council of Italy (CNR) announces a Call for tenders for the Director's recruitment of the Institute of food sciences (ISA) – Avellino (AV).

The research activities of CNR-ISA are focused on the study of food quality and safety, as well as the relationship between food composition and health. They are described in details under the "Research activities" page. In addition, technology transfer is a particularly relevant activity in the mission of CNR-ISA.

Many research activities of the Institute are well integrated with the productive activities of local and national SMEs operating in the agro-food sector. In this respect, relevant scientific achievements have been reached by the ISA scientists as testified by the number of national and international patents and/or industrial collaborations. For instance, novel food for celiac patients produced by an enzymatic detoxification process has been developed by ISA-CNR scientists. Similarly, an international patent focused on the rapid micotoxins and antibiotics detection in milk and dairy products has been produced in collaboration with a national leader industry operating in milk sector.

The design and development of new optical bio/sensors for food safety and quality is a new research line established at the Institute as a consequence of the moving to CNR-ISA of the Laboratory for Molecular Sensing.

The research activities performed at CNR-ISA are mainly funded by competitive national and international grants as well as by contracts of collaborations with food industries. These performances have attracted a high number of young researchers trained at different degrees of their science career.

The Director manages research activities of the Institute and fosters the strengthening of its competencies and facilities. He/She is responsible for the results of the activities entrusted to the Institute, in accordance with the planned objectives.

Information on research activities, geographical distribution of the Institutes, research outputs, collaborations and contracts as well as available scientific equipment is available on the official website of CNR (<https://www.cnr.it/it/documenti-programmazione>).

Requirements

Eligible applicants are people of high qualification and experience and scientific management with no restriction concerning citizenship.

Good knowledge of Italian and English is required.

Terms of Employment

The Director is responsible for the overall operations of the Institute and for the coordination of all activities, in relation with entrusted programs and projects. The Director all duties stated in the bylaw, regulations and general acts of CNR.

The Director will have a full-time position with a mandate of four years, beginning from official nomination and can be renamed only once.

Emoluments has been approved by Board of Director's deliberations no. 158 of the 24th May 2022.

Submission of Applications

Applications can be submitted, within 30 days from the publication of the present Call, only through the on-line form available on the website <https://selezionionline.cnr.it> and according to the instructions specified therein.

Call for tenders has been published on the Recruitment Portal <https://www.inpa.gov.it> in the 5th November 2024; the expiration date is the 5th December 2024.

Applications will be admitted if submitted before 18:00 CET on the deadline date. The date and hour of submission will be certified by the on-line system, which will no longer permit access for the submission of applications after the deadline. All applicants will receive an automated receipt upon correct submission of the application¹.

Evaluation of candidates

Candidatures will be evaluated by a Commission composed by three to five experts, including non-Italians, appointed by the CNR President following a decision of the Executive Board.

Evaluation criteria, set by the Commission, will include those assessing the high scientific production, professional and managerial qualifications and experience of applicants, in view of the scientific and organizational needs of the Institute. On this basis, a comparative evaluation of the candidates will be performed, and the resulting eligible candidates will be called for an interview by the Commission.

After expressing collegial decisions on each evaluation, the work of the Commission will conclude with the presentation to the Executive Board of a shortlist of three eligible candidates for the Institute.

Shortlisted applicants must present to the Executive Board, within fifteen days from notification, a document illustrating strategic lines and development policies for the activities of the Institute.

After the presentation of such document, the Executive Board will choose the candidate that will be finally appointed for the position.

¹ The correct submission of an application requires inclusion of the applicant's identity document with a legible signature (a PDF file). The identity document will be considered valid also for the purposes of the required declarations of the Application form and must be presented for identification at the interview. An identity document different from the one included in the application will not be accepted.

As provided in article 13 of the legislative decree, n.196 of 30 June 2003, provided personal data will be used for the purposes of the present Call and for any possible subsequent establishment of an employment relationship; the applicant benefits the rights specified in art. 7 of the decree. These rights can be exercised referring to the Director of the Office of Tenders of CNR (tel. 0039.06/4993.2172/2140 – fax 0039.06/4993.3852 e-mail: ufficio.reclutamento@cnr.it - concorsi@pec.cnr.it)