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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Winter School: "EU law on Digital Agriculture"

Edition I - A.Y. 2021/2022

ART. 1 The Winter School

The Dirpolis Institute of the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies of Pisa has activated the Winter School "EU law on Digital Agriculture", pursuant to art. 3 of the Charter, from the 15th November to the 19th November 2021, for a total of 40 hours.

The Winter School is part of the three-year Jean Monnet Module SUSTAIN "EU Law on Sustainable and Climate-Resilient Agriculture after the European Green Deal", co-funded under the EU Erasmus+ Programme (620734-EPP-1-2020-1-IT-EPPJMO-MODULE) and coordinated by professor Mariagrazia Alabrese.

The Winter School will be offered in blended learning by the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, offering students to attend classes both online and in person. Due to the the progress of the of the COVID-19 pandemic and the related safety-concerns, the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies might decide to hold the Winter School only through online classes.

The language of instruction is English.

Art. 2 ECTS

2 ECTS (in accordance with the European Credits Transfer and Accumulation System - ECTS) will be awarded upon successful completion of the Winter School, which requires the attendance of at least 80% of classes and passing the final learning test.

The Winter School provides the option to acquire additional ECTS by submitting a final paper that will be evaluated by the Teaching Staff. The final paper may follow the structure of case-studies analysis, critical essay, or review article. The topic of each paper will be discussed with the Teaching Staff. Selected papers, among those successfully evaluated, will be included in the Paper Series of the Jean Monnet Module SUSTAIN. This optional path will require a further effort from interested participants in drafting and submitting the paper in the period from the 19th November 2021 to the 17th December 2021.

In the case of submission of the final paper, the Winter School envisages the acknowledgement of an additional 1 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) for students who opt to submit also a final paper. Acquiring the additional 1 ECTS is subject to positive evaluation of the paper, other than the foreseen learning

test and complying with the attendance obligations envisaged.

ART. 3 Educational Objectives

The Course will provide participants with an advanced understanding of the European legal and policy framework of digital agriculture, within an interdisciplinary learning context.

The law and policy framework for digital agriculture and the technical and economic aspects for implementation of smart agriculture will be explored during the Winter School. The European farming and food system has to deal with a complex set of global and regional challenges, from climate change and environmental degradation to inequality in the supply chain. These issues require profound transformations in the way we produce, market and sell agricultural products. Digital innovation and key enabling technologies will be crucial to support the transformation of agri-food systems. The Winter School will discuss the connections between innovation, sustainability and climate change policy. E-innovation and ICT for sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture will be addressed from an interdisciplinary perspective, including law, economics, computer sciences and agricultural engineering.

The Winter School aims at providing international students and professionals from different backgrounds with the knowledge and interdisciplinary skills necessary to understand the different issues that emerge from the development of the EU regulatory technology framework for building a healthier, fairer and more sustainable and climate-resilient agri-food system.

By the end of winter school, participants will be able to: (a) handle the policy framework on digital agriculture and smart farming in the EU; (b) be aware of the European rules on using and sharing agricultural data; (c) managing the principles of e-business and its practice in the agricultural sector; (d) understand the challenges in establishing a digital traceability of agri-food practices.

ART. 4 Modules

The Winter School will consist of lectures, seminars, discussions, role playing and simulation games. Case studies sessions and Q&A sessions will be planned in order to stimulate the exchanges between trainers and trainees, promoting the creation of a network among all the participants within an interdisciplinary environment.

The classes will address the following key topics:

1. Framing digital agriculture in Europe;
2. Using and sharing agricultural data;
3. E-innovation for sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture;
4. ICT application framework for sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture;
5. Tracking Sustainability in Agriculture.

ART. 5 Recipients

The Course is intended for students coming from different backgrounds, young researchers and professional working in the field of law, social sciences, agricultural engineering, computer science, economics and management, officials working in national, international and European Institutions.

ART. 6

Course Structure

The sessions are spread over one weeks, from Monday to Friday and require participants' full-time commitment. Classes begin at 9.00 AM and end at 7.00 PM, with two hours for lunch.

A final assessment test is foreseen at the end of the Winter School, in the form of a multiple-choice questionnaire.

To acquire the additional 1 ECTS, interested students are required to submit a final paper, with a maximum of 7.000 characters (including footnotes), that discusses a relevant issue (e.g. in the form of case-study analysis), preliminary agreed with the Teaching Staff. The final paper has to be emailed by Friday the 17th of December 2021, 23:59, to aglaw@santannapisa.it.

ART. 7 Entry requirements

An admission application may be submitted by undergraduate, graduate students, Post-Doc and PhD students as well as professionals, such as lawyers, international/regional organisation officers; public servants working on agricultural and rural development, agricultural engineers, who have a working knowledge of English.

The course can accept a maximum of 25 participants and will be activated with a minimum of 5 participants.

The Administration may decide to exclude a candidate, at any time, with a motivated decision, if the prescribed requirements have not been met.

ART. 8 Application procedure

Candidates who intend to apply for admission to the Winter School must, by and no later than 22nd October 2021, 23:59, submit the application exclusively online and attach the following documentation, in electronic format: a curriculum vitae (European format is preferred); a current and valid identity document (ID or passport for non EU-applicants); a language certificate (or a self-declaration form certifying the applicant knowledge of English); and, other documents that the Candidate considers relevant for the application (for example: publications, certificate of disability, ECTS).

The online application requires a registration and login procedure (including the creation of a "User ID" and of a "Password"). The required documentation shall be attached before completing the on-line application form. Applications received after the deadline or submitted in a form other than the one indicated in this article as well as incomplete applications, for whatever reason, will not be considered. In case of failure of the online application system, applicants are advised to contact the Course Secretariat at altaformazione@santannapisa.it.

A specific selection is not envisaged. If the number of applications received exceeds the number of places available, then the chronological order in which the enrolment applications were submitted will be adopted.

Falsification of documents and fraudulent statements are punished in accordance with the Italian Criminal Code and the special applicable laws, Art. 75 and Art. 76 of Presidential Decree (D.P.R.) No. 445/2000.

The Institution may monitor the truthfulness of the statements provided and the documents submitted at any time during the procedure, even after the Course has started, and request the original documents to be submitted. In the case of false statements, the Institution may decide, at any time, to exclude candidates from the selection procedure, based on a motivated decision issued by the Rector, without prejudice to the

resulting criminal liability.

ART. 9 Tuition fee and scholarships

The Course fee is 250,00 EUR and includes attendance costs, tutorship, and teaching materials.

It is not possible to pay the tuition fee in instalments.

The tuition fee is to be paid by bank transfer to the c/a registered to the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies at Banca Unicredit SpA – Pisa Branch, Piazza Garibaldi, No. 1 (IBAN: IT32 0 02008 14006000401272765), specifying the following reason for payment: Course Title – student's name and surname

Pursuant to art. 9, paragraph 2 of Legislative Decree No. 68/2012 the Institution grants total exemption regarding payment of the tuition fee in the case of students with a disability, acknowledged to be equal to or greater than sixty-six percent, in accordance with art. 3, paragraph 1 of Law No. 104/1992, and applies a 1.5% reduction for every percentage point of disability in the case of students who have been acknowledged a disability of less than sixty-six percent. A student that intends to take advantage of the exemption or the reduction is required to attach an appropriate certificate to the online application.

ART. 10 Acceptance – Payment methods

Successful candidates who wish to attend the Course are required to confirm their attendance by the deadline that shall be made known in the notification of admission, and in accordance with the procedures indicated in the admission notice, under penalty of exclusion, by transmitting to the U.O Alta Formazione of the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies a copy of the payment of the enrolment fee.

Art. 11 Certificate of attendance and credits

At the end of the Course the Sant'Anna School will issue a certificate of attendance with value to the extent permitted by law, and with the details of the ECTS obtained.

ART. 12 Person responsible for the entrance procedure, personal data processing and prevention of corruption measures

Under the art. 5 of the Act n. 241/90 and ff.mm., the person in charge of the competition procedure is Elena Cambi, Head of the U.O. Higher Education - Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies - Via Maffi 27, 56127 Pisa - tel. 050/882645 - fax 050/882633 - e-mail: altaformazione@santannapisa.it.

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies (hereinafter the "School"), represented by the Rector, as Data Controller, under the article 13 of the EU General Data Protection Regulation n. 679/2016 and under the Italian Legislative Decree 30 June 2003 ("Privacy Code regarding the protection of personal data") with regard to the processing of personal data, and on his behalf, Giovanna Bottai, giovanna.bottai@santannapisa.it. Please read the privacy statement available at www.santannapisa.it/it/alta-formazione-info.

The Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies operates in compliance with the legislation on the prevention of corruption (L.190 / 2012).

