ART. 1
(Available Positions)

1. The Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna of Pisa, hereafter referred to as the “Scuola,” joined with the Gran Sasso Science Institute of L’Aquila, hereafter referred to as the “GSSI,” announces for the Academic Year 2014/2015, 2 fellowships, in the framework of the three-year International PhD in Management – Curriculum: Change and Complexity Management.  

ART. 2
(Participation Requirements)

1. Eligible applicants must be in possession of a Master of Science (M.Sc.), a Master of Arts (M.A.) or an equivalent academic qualification.  

2. Applicants should not be older than 35 years by October 21st, 2014. Candidates older than 35 may be exceptionally admitted considering their previous experiences.  

3. Undergraduate students who will be awarded one of the foregoing degrees before October 31st, 2014 may also apply. In this case, a successful application will be conditional to the subsequent completion of the degree and the transmission to the Scuola of adequate documentation, also in electronic form, no later than October 31st, 2014.  

4. Candidates who are going to obtain a Master Degree must declare the date in which they will obtain the degree and must submit a draft or a summary of their degree thesis.  

5. Non EU applicants are admitted conditionally on the legal validity of their second-cycle degree, which is officially declared by the Italian Authorities in their own country. Once (conditionally) admitted to the programme, applicants shall immediately apply for the “Dichiarazione di valore in loco” from the Italian Consulate in the country where the degree was issued.  

ART. 3
(Application Process)

1. Candidates are requested to apply on-line (www.sssup.it) by October 21st, 2014. In case of any problem with the on-line application, please contact the Ph.D. Administration Office (telephone +39-050-8833528/582, e-mail info-phdmanagement@sssup.it).  

2. Applications must include:
   a) family name, first name, place and date of birth, and nationality;  
   b) description of the academic degree hold by the candidate. The application should also specify:
      - the academic degree title,  
      - the duration of the course,  
      - the Academic Year in which the candidate has started his/her Master studies,  
      - the name of the University or University Institute which awarded the degree;  
   c) the date of graduation and the mark achieved;
d) the permanent address and the mailing address (if different) where applicants wish to receive communications concerning the application. Applicants should immediately contact the School if these addresses change;

e) the candidate’s e-mail address, that is compulsory for the purposes of the application.

3. Candidates with disabilities should attach a note which specifies the type of auxiliary aid required to take the examination, so that prior arrangements can be made. They should also specify if they need any additional time.

4. After completing the application, candidates will be asked to print a copy, to sign and send it by e-mail to Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna, Ph.D. Office – info-phdmanagement@sssup.it. Alternatively they can send the copy by fax at the following number: +39-050-883586.

Art. 4
(Application Enclosures)

1. Applicants should attach to their applications:
   a. copy of a valid identity document;
   b. Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum;
   c. the list of classes/exams successfully attended/passed compiled online;
   d. a copy of the degree thesis or an abstract in English and copies of any other publication they deem suitable;
   e. a self-evaluation of the English level (or official certificates if owned);
   f. a Research Project, of no more than 3500 words (in English or in Italian). The Research Project should include:
      - a title;
      - the scientific background and the relevant bibliography;
      - the aim and objectives of the research;
      - the experimental methods which could/should be used, where required;
   g. only for non EU citizen: copy of the University Master Degree or equivalent title, to be translated in Italian or in English unless written in French, German or Spanish;

Optionally, applicants may also attach an abstract of any written work that they deem relevant. Applicants may also submit:
   a. no more than two reference letters written by people who have supervised the applicant’s work during his/her university studies or work period; reference letters should be sent by email from the referee to info-phdmanagement@sssup.it;

2. Candidates are responsible for the information that will be submitted into the online form and the validity of the certification/self-certification submitted. The University is entitled to check the information and validity of the documents submitted and in the event of a discrepancy with what has been declared it may exclude the candidate at any time including after the competition has taken place.

Art. 5
(Selection of applicants)

1. Selection of applicants will be based both upon the assessment of all the submitted documents and publications, and upon an interview (in case of special requirements of the candidate, conference call interviews allowed). The final evaluation will be on a scale of 1 to 100.

2. The selection schedule will be announced on the website www.sssup.it within September, 29th, 2014.

3. The Examination Committee will first assign a score based on the submitted documents. Applicants who will obtain a score of at least 49/70 will be admitted to the interview.

4. The Scuola will inform by e-mail (using the address indicated in the application form) applicants who have been admitted to the interview.

5. The interview will assign the remaining 30 points. It will regard the submitted documents and publications, the proposed Research Project and other related topics. Applicants should obtain at least 21/30 points in order to be included in the final ranking.

6. The candidates will also be interviewed for an assessment of their level of knowledge of the English language.

7. In the event that two or more applicants obtain the same score in the final ranking, priority will be given to the candidate with the higher evaluation obtained in the interview.
8. The general pass lists will be published on the Web Site www.sssup.it no later than October, 30th 2014. 
9. The admitted candidates will be informed by e-mail about the results and will be asked to confirm acceptance of the scholarship to info-phdmanagement@sssup.it within 2 days. In case of lack of response by that date, the scholarship will be allocated to the next eligible candidate in the ranking list.

Art. 6
(Beginning of the Ph.D. Programme)

1. The Ph.D. Programme, provided that the procedure for the enlistment of the art. 1 of this call, will start on November 3rd, 2014. Lack of compliance will result in loss of the scholarship. The first year lessons will take place in Pisa at Scuola, the second year lessons will be given in L’Aquila at GSSI.
2. To enter Italy, NON EU citizens need to obtain a visa for study, issued by the Italian Embassy/Consulate in the applicant’s country of residence. Within eight (8) days after their first entry in Italy they need to apply to the Police Office (Questura) in Pisa to obtain the “Permesso di soggiorno”.
3. All admitted applicants are required to pay the regional tax for the Right to Education, a yearly amount of €140,00 unless eligible for exemption.
For more information on the regional tax you can visit www.dsu.toscana.it

Art. 7
(Ph.D. Students’ Obligations)

1. Ph.D. Students commit to attend the research and education activities offered within the Programme.
2. They also commit to comply with the rules of the Statute and Regulations of the Scuola and of the GSSI and to write periodical reports in accordance with the Regulations.
3. The Advisory Board of the Course will appoint a Research Supervisor to each Ph.D. student. The task of the Research Supervisor will be to verify student’s attendance to the training, cultural and scientific activities of the School, and to support and verify the progress of his/her research.
4. The Ph.D. Programme Advisory Board may allow Ph.D. students to participate to study and research activities outside the School’s premises, as part of the Ph.D. programme.
5. At the end of the three year Course, Ph.D. students will advance to a final examination in order to obtain the Ph.D. Degree. During the final examination students will be asked to defend a written dissertation before a Board of Experts appointed by the Rector.

Art. 8
(Ph.D. Student Status)

1. The PhD students will receive a monthly grant, for a total of €14,000.00 (gross amount) per year.
2. Facilities and benefit at Scuola Sant’Anna
PHD Students are entitled to one free meal (lunch or dinner) per day at the School’s canteen from Monday to Saturday, according to the schedule of service. Students also have access to the library and laboratories, according to the rules specified in the PHD Regulations.
The Scuola provides the Ph.D. Students accident and civil liability full insurance coverage. The Scuola is entirely liable for safety and security measures implementation also including Ph.D. courses equipment and workplace.
3. Facilities and benefit at GSSI
During their stay in l’Aquila, PhD students will have the following benefit:
   • free accommodation on GSSI facilities (a financial substitute of 350 Euros gross/month may be offered upon request)
   • free luncheon vouchers (2 per day, 7 days a week except school closures)
   • insurance against any accident and/or injury that may occur while carrying out their PhD activities.
4. The allowances, as per this Article, are subject, for fiscal purposes, to the laws in force in matters of fellowships allocated by Universities and Regions in Italy.

Art. 9
(Person in charge of the Procedure, Treatment of Personal Data and measures of prevention of corruption)
1. The person in charge of the competition procedure, as per this Announcement, is Dr. Silvia Marcacci, U.O. PhD - Lauree Magistrali – Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna – Via Santa Cecilia 3 – 56127 Pisa (Italy) – tel. +39 050 883 528/883582, fax +39 050 883 586, e-mail: infophd@sssup.it.

2. The personal data supplied by the applicants will be mainly processed automatically by the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna and in accordance with Art. 11 of the Legislative Decree No. 196/2003 (“Code Concerning the Protection of Personal Data”) for the management of the competition procedure. The data may also be used in anonymous form for statistical purposes. Anyone interested can, at any time, exercise the rights provided by Art. 7 of the above-mentioned Legislative Decree, by writing to the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna, U.O. PhD-Lauree Magistrali, Via Santa Cecilia, 3, 56127 Pisa (Italy).