

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION TO THE *DRINKSCAPE* ACTIVITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN YUBUNE, JAPAN AND CELLA MONTE, ITALY



The *Drinkscape* programme is promoted by the Politecnico di Torino, DAD and DIST Departments (PoliTo), and the Kyoto Institute of Technology (KIT).

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1. THE *DRINKSCAPE* PROGRAMME

The *Drinkscape* KIT/PoliTo programme explores the relationship between urban and rural areas from the point of food production, supply and consumption and focuses in particular on the increasing cultural value of productive landscapes and traditional agricultural practices.

The aim of the programme is two-folds: to address and respond to the context's specific conditions and challenges, and to help configure common activities for a renewed territorial development agenda. We will investigate the relationship between human wellbeing and the – often controversial – attempt at “greening” several aspects of daily life, i.e. the way buildings are designed to foster new behaviours, the redefined role of green and blue infrastructures, the renewed interest for food issues, in terms of production, provision, and consumption. We will also consider the relation between the urban and the rural also in terms of a blue economy model, with its focus on sustainable development, environmental protection and the optimization of resources.

The analysis will revolve around two sites that share similarities: the Langhe-Roero-Monferrato UNESCO site, in lower Piedmont, Italy, and the Yubune area in Uji, one of the main and most famous tea production areas in Japan. Through a multiscale, multidisciplinary and systemic approach, the programme will explore the possible interactions between landscape, buildings, infrastructures, natural resources, and material culture in two types of cultural landscape.

2. THE *DRINKSCAPE* PROGRAMME: ACTIVITIES

The *Drinkscape* programme will be developed through a set of activities that include 4 webinars and 2 place-based workshops, the first one in Yubune (Japan) and the second one in Cella Monte (Italy). Students will participate in the whole programme of activities and will develop their final project (thesis) on a subject related to the topics of the joint workshops with the supervision of one or more of the involved professors.

The programme will be developed according to the following schedule (see, for more details, point 10. General Timeline):

- **First webinar** will focus on setting the scene for the joint workshop and on the expected outputs.
- **Second webinar** will focus on landscape planning and landscape architecture issues.

- **Third webinar** will focus on architecture issues.
- **Fourth webinar** will focus on design issues.

- **First joint workshop** in Yubune, Japan.
- **Second Joint Workshop** in Cella Monte, Italy.

- **Final Thesis**, to be developed in parallel to the whole programme, and to be presented after the conclusion of the second joint workshop.

The webinars will precede the first workshop in Japan and will provide the basic frame of the workshops and their aims, as well as information on the project site. They will also address the main topics that will inform the design projects. 12 students – 6 from PoliTo and 6 from KIT – will be selected to take part in both joint workshops.

3. LANGUAGE

The official language of the programme is English. The selecting committee will assess the students' English language proficiency during the interview.

4. REQUIREMENTS

Eligible Italian students have to be enrolled in the second year of the following Master of Sciences of the Politecnico di Torino:

- *Architettura, Costruzione e Città (Architecture, Construction and the City)* and *Architettura per il Progetto Sostenibile (Architecture for the Sustainable Design)*: 2 students;
- *Systemic Design*: 2 students;
- *Pianificazione Territoriale, Urbanistica e Paesaggistico-Ambientale (Territorial, Urban, Environmental and Landscape Planning)* and *Progettazione delle Aree Verdi e del Paesaggio*: 2 students.

5. FEES AND OBLIGATIONS

Students' participation in the joint workshops does not require any fees. For Polito master students, costs will be partially covered by Politecnico di Torino, following the specific regulations of the DAD or DIST Departments.

Covered costs – up to € 2000 per person – include: travel to/from Japan; meals, accommodation and public transport in Japan and Italy; insurance coverage for accidents occurring on the university premises.

Further information and detail will be given during the interview.

Any other costs not specifically mentioned above will not be covered.

Participants are required to work with their own laptops (including relevant softwares).

6. APPLICATION, DEADLINES AND CONTACTS

To apply, send the following material, in pdf format, via email at the address drinkscape@polito.it

- academic career certification;
- motivation letter (maximum 1500 characters, written in English);
- curriculum vitae (written in English);
- short portfolio with selected works (max 3Mb).

Your email should include: your full name, the Master of Science you are enrolled in, and your intention to participate in the joint programme.

Deadline is: 30th November 2018.

Applications received after that term will not be considered. Applications submitted in a different format will not be considered.

For further details on the following steps see the General Timeline below.

Info and email: drinkscape@polito.it

7. SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be selected by a committee, composed by the PoliTo coordinators of the programme, on the basis of their motivations, preparation, competences and expertise and research skills, as assessed through the application package and the interview.

Interviews will be held on 7th December 2018. Candidates invited to the interview will be notified via e-mail by 4th December 2018.

In addition to the English language proficiency, the interview aims at assessing the candidate's interests, abilities and skills required to successfully participate in the *Drinkscape* programme.

Candidates are required to bring a valid picture identification document for verification purposes to the interview. No-show for the interview will automatically lead to the candidate's exclusion from the selection process.

8. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Successful candidates will be notified as to the results of their applications and interviews via email on 7th December, 2018. A list with the names of the 6 selected participants will be posted on the main entrances' doors of the DAD and DIST Departments (Castello del Valentino) on 7th December 2018.

The 6 participant students are required to confirm their participation in the program by 10th December 2018 with email.

9. CREDITS

The whole programme experience obligatorily includes the development of the Final Thesis, and allows PoliTo students to gain the thesis credits included in their respective curriculum plus the additional credits of choice ("*crediti liberi*") as follows:

- *Architettura, Costruzione, Città*: 6 credits of choice;
- *Architettura per il Progetto Sostenibile*: 6 credits of choice;
- *Pianificazione Territoriale, Urbanistica e Paesaggistico-Ambientale*: 6 credits of choice;
- *Progettazione delle Aree Verdi e del Paesaggio*: 4 credits of choice (to be determined);
- *Systemic Design*: 6 credits of choice.

10. GENERAL TIMELINE

WHEN*	WHAT
30 th November 2018	Deadline for students' application
4 th December 2018	Notification of the candidates admitted to the interview
7 th December 2018	Interviews
7 th December 2018	Notification of the 6 selected students
10 th December 2018	Participation confirmation by the selected students
fourth week of January 2019	First webinar
fifth week of January 2019	Second webinar
first week of February 2019	Third webinar
second week of February 2019	Fourth webinar
26 th February – 3 rd March 2019	Joint Workshop in Japan
First half of September 2019	Joint Workshop in Italy
December 2019	Presentation of the outcomes of the programme

*Changes in the schedule may occur.