

II UNINOVIS Call for Research Internships – 2026/2027

UNINOVIS is launching the second edition of its research internship programme for academic staff within the alliance. This initiative aims to promote international mobility and foster research collaboration, creating new scientific relationships and strengthening existing ones. The long-term objective is to build strong and sustainable scientific communities across UNINOVIS partner institutions. The procedure is divided into four Steps:

- **Step 1:** Interested Hosts/Inviting Researchers should express their interest by completing the linked Form. The inviting researcher must specify the research topics in which the intern is expected to participate.
- **Step 2:** Candidates may contact any Inviting researcher. If accepted, they must request a Commitment letter from the host researcher.
- **Step 3.** Candidates with a Commitment Letter may apply for financial support from their home University.
- **Step 4.** Internship implementation.

Eligibility

- **Teaching and research staff**, including doctoral students, from any UNINOVIS partner institution.
- **Administrative and managerial staff**, directly involved in the implementation of research and innovation activities, provided their participation is essential to the project.

Duration:

- Minimum: 1 weeks
- Maximum: 12 weeks (longer stays may be considered if necessary)

Missions of the Intern Researchers

The main aim of the visit is to establish new scientific relationships or strengthen existing ones. To this end, the intern is expected to carry out one or more of the following:

- Get acquainted with the research ecosystem in the hosting institution
- Give or participate in research seminars in the receiving institution
- Participate in research tasks
- Collaborate on future research opportunities

Funding of the mobilities

- The funding options depend on the Intern's home University.
- Interns from UNINOVIS' partner universities, please contact your local admin offices.

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1. Expression of interest from Inviting researchers

Inviting researchers willing to host a researcher from another UNINOVIS partner university are invited to submit an Expression of Interest (EoI) by proposing a research internship topic. This can be done by completing this form:

1st Round for sending the Expressions of Interest: May 18th to June 18th, 2026

[Link to Online form](#)

The local admin offices will provide support to supervisors and candidates. The 25th of June, the **final list of internship opportunities** will be published on the UNINOVIS main website (www.UNINOVIS.eu) and media as well as on the websites of local partner institutions.

2. Commitment letter from receiving researcher/lab

Research Internships candidates are invited to search the above-mentioned list of internship opportunities and email to the Host's contact address. The candidates should send their application to the Host / Inviting Researcher. If an agreement between the Inviting Researcher and the candidate is reached, the Host / Inviting Researcher has to sign a Commitment Letter, which will serve the candidates in their application for funding.

3. Financial support

Accepted candidates may apply to obtain financial support from their home universities. This process will be handled entirely via the partner's administrative office, and according to local rules. Please contact your local UNINOVIS coordination team.

1. Internships start and agreement

The research stay must take place during the academic year 2026-2027. Prior to the start of the internship, an agreement must be signed between the two parties. This agreement must be submitted to the home institution's administrative office by the intern researcher. After completing the internship, a report on the activities carried out must also be submitted to the same office.

Key dates

Step	Date or deadline	Communication channel
(1) Opening of the Expression of Interest (EoI) for potential hosts	May 18 th	www.UNINOVIS.eu (and local partner's websites) & Google forms
First round for EoI – cut-off	June 18 th	UNINOVIS – Expression of Interest (Google Forms)
(2) List of Internship opportunities published	June 25 th	www.UNINOVIS.eu and local partner's websites)
Candidates should obtain Commitment letter from Inviting Researchers,	Check admin office of your home university	UNINOVIS Commitment Letter template
(3) Request financial support from home universities	Check admin office of your home university	Local admin office
(4) Signature of internship agreement and start of the Internship	2026-7 Academic year	UNINOVIS Internship Agreement template
Candidate sends report of activity to UNINOVIS local office	Up to 2 weeks after the mobility has finished	Local admin office