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#### **Supervisor Expression of Interest**

# MSCA domain Environmental and Geosciences (ENV)

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MSCA domain	Environmental and Geosciences (ENV)
Research focus area	Compositional and physical characterisation of art materials / Diagnostics of Cultural Heritage
Department	Earth Environment and Life Sciences
Short description of the department/laboratory/ research group	The Department of Earth, Environment and Life Sciences hosts inter and multidisciplinary research areas. The Cultural Heritage diagnostics laboratory addresses the characterisation of multimaterial artifacts (stones, ceramics, glasses, plaster, concrete) of antique to modern manufacturing, spanning from Neolithic to modern materials, in particular geomaterials. Crossdisciplinary investigations with art history, chemistry, physical chemistry researchers attain a wide angle, holistic perspective on thematic issues. Ongoing research projects at the laboratory address: i) characterisation of Neolithic stone tools ii) replication of ceramic mini tiles (Vaccari production) for restoration purposes of XIX century mosaics, iii) investigations of middle age silver coins to infer provenance of raw materials.
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MSCA domain	Environmental and Geosciences (ENV)
Research focus area	Relationships between lichen functional traits,
	microclimate, and ecosystem functions: tools for
	studying global change
Department	Department of Pharmacy (DIFAR)
Short description of the	Our research group is focused on the investigation
department/laboratory/r	of the relationships between macroclimate,
esearch group	microclimate and functional traits in lichens. It has
	been shown that the study of landscape-level
	heterogeneity of the microclimate will be crucial for
	understanding how organisms respond to climatic
	variations and for assessing the impacts of climate
	change on biodiversity and ecosystems. The general
	aim of our studies is to provide an organism-centred
	perspective for studying the interactions between
	species and environmental factors, allowing more
	reliable predictions of ecosystem responses to
	global changes.
	In particular, we aim to develop quantitative
	measures of functional traits of lichens that can help
	estimate their contribution to ecosystem
	functioning. Among the various contexts of
	application, particular attention is paid to the effect
	of lichens on water balance in Mediterranean forest
	ecosystems. We use multidisciplinary approaches,



	including ecological, ecophysiological, ecohydrological and spectrophotometric techniques to quantify functional traits and ecosystem functions performed by lichens at the microscale and upscaled to the landscape level.
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