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learning and innovative teaching



***Advanced Skill Course in  
Dynamic budget and cost benefit analysis  
for public investment***

***Università della Calabria***

February 7 to 14, 2026

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

# 1 Presentation

The primary objective of the Advanced Skill Course in “**Dynamic budget and cost benefit analysis for public investment**” is to equip the academic staff and administrative colleague with the skills needed to cope with some the challenges that lie ahead in the provision of educational activities. In particular, the module will deal with an innovative method based on cost benefit analysis that will provide a double dynamic budget (economic and social) for all the university project proposals. This will allow to understand and calculate the real cost and benefits of the various proposals to help the decision makers on choosing the ones that will have a more positive social and economic impact.

The main training activities, conducted with innovative budgeting methods, will be related to the main elements of cost benefit analysis, including the impact that circularity of the use of resources will have on the budget (that will gain “dynamic” on this process). The participant will use a specific excel file to make all the possible calculations on a dynamic project budget considering externalities (positive and negative) and a dynamic funding related to economic and financial performance of the proposals.

## 2 Objectives

- Explore innovative method based on cost benefit analysis that will provide a double dynamic budget (economic and social).
- Analyze the impact that circularity of the use of resources will have on the dynamic budget.
- Develop skills to use software to make all the possible calculations on a dynamic project budget considering externalities (positive and negative).
- Promote the creation of academic, institutional, and community networks between Latin America and Europe, aimed at implementing inclusive and sustainable territorial strategies.

## 3 Scientific Coordination

The Scientific Coordinator is Prof. Giovanni D’Orio, PhD, Università della Calabria (Italy)

## 4 Structure and content

The Advanced Skill Course will take place from February 7 to 14, 2026, in Rende, Italy, and will include:

- 1) Six thematic meetings with international experts.

Opportunities for exchange and dialogue between school participants and the teaching group, through the sharing of specific experiences and best practices, with the aim of comparing different approaches that can be transferred to a specific context. Each meeting is an opportunity for debate and collective learning.

- 2) Public events with representatives from networks, agencies, and Companies:
- 3) International cooperation agencies, i.e. European Commission Agency.  
International networks specializing in social and economic impacts. Fieldwork on a Company factory case studies
- 4) Guided tours (City of Cosenza and Sila National Park).
- 5) Workshops
- 6) Final presentation of results.

## 5 Selection criteria

The selection of students to be admitted will be made once the UNICAL Commission has evaluated and scored the following criteria:

- Academic degree in areas related to the course (e.g., urban planning, law, political science, social sciences, architecture, environmental engineering, etc.).
- Participation in research projects related to the school's subject matter.
- Demonstration of interest in participating in the school.
- Scientific publications.

Preference will be given to candidates who, in addition to demonstrating academic excellence, are committed to disseminating the knowledge acquired during the course in their home institutions.

There are **15** places available with scholarships. The maximum scores assigned to each criterion are as follows:

- Academic degree in related areas: 40 points
- Experience in related projects: 30 points
- Letter of interest: 15 points
- Related publications: 15 points

The minimum score for admission to the course is 60/100. In the event of a selected candidate withdrawing, the next candidate in the ranking order will be considered.

## 6 Requirements and application

Interested parties must send all their documentation in a single PDF file, including an identity document and email address.

Submission deadline: January 15, 2026 – 12:00 p.m. (Italian time)

Email for applications: [salvomar@outlook.it](mailto:salvomar@outlook.it)

Only admitted candidates will be notified. The list will be published on January 20, 2026.  
The decisions of the UNICAL Commission will be final.

## 7 Logistics and support

Participation in the School is free of charge and includes accommodation, meals, flight, and transportation during the course.

## 8 Contact

For more information, please write to: [salvomar@outlook.it](mailto:salvomar@outlook.it)