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Minutes 2

*(Evaluation of the qualification and publication and admission
of candidates to the interview)*



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On 2 October 2026, at 13:15, the Selection Committee met online in connection with the public selection procedure for the conferral of a research contract to carry out research activities within the project “CULTSENSE-FOOD - Exploring global food perception: Cross-cultural insights in sensory description and preference” at the University of Gastronomic Sciences. The procedure, pursuant to Rector's Decree no. 654/2026 of 5 August 2026, concerns GSD 07/AGRI-07 - FOOD SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGIES and SSD AGRI-07/A – Food Sciences and Technologies.

The Committee, appointed by Rector's Decree no. 655/2026 of 17/09/2026, is composed as follows:

1. Luisa Torri, Full Professor at the University of Gastronomic Sciences, Scientific-Disciplinary Sector AGRI-07/A, Food Sciences and Technologies.
2. Maria Piochi, Associate Professor at the University of Gastronomic Sciences, Scientific-Disciplinary Sector AGRI-07/A, Food Sciences and Technologies.
3. Chiara Chirilli, research contract holder at the University of Gastronomic Sciences, Scientific-Disciplinary Sector AGRI-07/A, Food Sciences and Technologies.

The applications of the following candidates have been received:

	Surname	Name	Place of birth	Date of birth
1	AGUILAR SOLIS	Maria de Lourdes Alejandra	Mexico	31/03/1981
2	AHMAD	Nazir	Pakistan	01/04/1994
3	ALI	Ashraf	Bihar, India	26/07/1980
4	BUGATTE PALAZZO	Alessandra	Ribeirão Preto (San Paolo), Brazil	29/05/1981
5	CAPRIOLI	Claudio	Vico Equense (NA)	25/09/1993
6	CASIRAGHI	Chiara	Cernusco sul Naviglio (MI)	31/12/1997
7	CORDERO	Beatrice	Savigliano (CN)	02/11/1998
8	FERRAIOLI	Annachiara	Sorrento (NA)	25/01/1999
9	GALIGANI	Mattia	Merate (LC)	03/07/1993
10	KOUAMO NGUEFANG	Manuella Lesly	Yaounde, Cameroon	06/05/1997
11	LUZZINI	Giovanni	Parma (PR)	09/07/1988
12	MILLER	Anthea	Messina (ME)	14/08/1994
13	MOTA GUTIERREZ	Jatziri	Mexico	02/09/1987
14	MUILENBURG	Brandi	United States of America (Utah)	13/11/1979
15	NAEEM	Muhammad Yasir	Swabi (KPK), Pakistan	14/04/1990



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16	RABIE ASHKEZARY	Mansour	Tehran, Iran	20/01/1988
17	SADIQ	Saba	Sahiwal, Pakistan	14/08/1995

Having reviewed the list of candidates, each member of the Committee declares that no relationship of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, exists between that member and any other Committee member or candidate, pursuant to Article 5, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree No. 1172 of 07/05/1948, and that the member is not subject to any of the grounds for incompatibility referred to in Article 51 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

The Committee proceeds to examine each candidate's application and dossier and to evaluate the relevant qualifications and publications.

The Committee acknowledges that, by Rector's Decree (D.R.) no. 657/2026 of 1 October 2026, the application submitted by the candidate Dr Brandi Muilenburg was declared inadmissible pursuant to Article 6 of the call, and the candidate was excluded from the procedure. Consequently, the Committee will not proceed with the assessment of the candidate's qualifications and publications.

Following this review, and in accordance with what was established in Minute I on the prior determination of evaluation criteria, the Committee expresses its collegial judgment and assigns the score set out in Annex B, which forms an integral part of this minute.

For the interview, each candidate must connect to the following link: <https://unisg-it.zoom.us/j/83127403157?pwd=KeHOU4JBIXYnkEu4f7Wlsaj1fZdbKR.1> on the day and at the time indicated in the table below:

No	Surname	Name	Date	Time (CEST)
1	AGUILAR SOLIS	Maria de Lourdes Alejandra	12/10/2026	9:00
2	AHMAD	Nazir	12/10/2026	9:20
3	ALI	Ashraf	12/10/2026	9:40
4	BUGATTE PALAZZO	Alessandra	12/10/2026	10:00
5	CAPRIOLI	Claudio	12/10/2026	10:20
6	CASIRAGHI	Chiara	12/10/2026	10:40
7	CORDERO	Beatrice	12/10/2026	11:40
8	FERRAIOLI	Annachiara	12/10/2026	12:00
9	GALIGANI	Mattia	12/10/2026	12:20
10	KOUAMO	Manuella	12/10/2026	13:40
11	LUZZINI	Giovanni	12/10/2026	14:00
12	MILLER	Anthea	12/10/2026	14:20
13	MOTA GUTIERREZ	Jatziri	12/10/2026	14:40
14	NAEEM	Muhammad Yasir	13/10/2026	9:00
15	RABIE ASHKEZARY	Mansour	13/10/2026	9:20



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16	SADIQ	Saba	13/10/2026	9:40
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Publication on the University portal of the candidates admitted to the interview and the interview date shall constitute legally valid notice and formal summons to the interview. A candidate who fails to attend shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the comparative evaluation, regardless of the reason for the absence.

The Committee:

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Annex B

Score evaluation of qualification and publication
(Integral part of minute 2)

CANDIDATE: AGUILAR SOLIS Maria de Lourdes Alejandra

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

29/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background relevant to the field of food science and technology, complemented by extensive additional training. Her professional experience is long-standing and continuous, mainly in the wine sector and in food regulatory affairs, and includes international experience. She has experience in sensory analysis, but mainly limited to the wine sector. The scientific output submitted for the selection is only partially relevant to the content of the research programme. The candidate also documents participation in scientific conferences and good language skills, some of which were acquired in international professional settings. In particular, she declares knowledge of Italian (professional level).

CANDIDATE: AHMAD Nazir

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

25/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background mainly in pharmaceutical and pharmacological sciences, which is only partially consistent with the food sector. His professional activity includes academic and industrial experience in the pharmaceutical and nutraceutical sectors. His research activity is mainly focused on the study of bioactive compounds and food extracts. He presents a fair scientific output and conference activity, although these are only partially consistent with the disciplinary field covered by the call. He declares knowledge of Italian (A1 level).

CANDIDATE: ALI Ashraf

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

30/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in biotechnology, biochemistry and agri-food systems, which is overall consistent with the food sector. His research activity is mainly focused on food safety,



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authenticity and traceability and on molecular biology, with more limited experience in the sensory analysis of fruit and vegetable products. His scientific output is substantial but only partially relevant to the content of this call, and the publications submitted for the selection are not fully pertinent. The candidate also has international experience and skills in data analysis and in the use of analytical and molecular techniques, and he has received an award for his research activity. He declares knowledge of Italian (A1 level).

CANDIDATE: BUGATTE PALAZZO Alessandra

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

38/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background fully consistent with the field of food science and technology and an established specialisation in sensory and consumer science. Her research and professional activity shows experience in applying descriptive and consumer sensory methodologies and in the multivariate statistical analysis of sensory data. The scientific output submitted is fully relevant to the content of the research programme. The candidate also presents extensive scientific communication activity, four awards, experience in collaboration between research and industry, and good skills in the use of statistical software and software specific to sensory analysis. She declares knowledge of Italian (professional level).

CANDIDATE: CAPRIOLI Claudio

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

15/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in physics and complex systems, which is not directly relevant to the field of food science and technology. His research activity does, however, include original applications of computational methodologies to the gastronomic sector. His scientific output is limited and not consistent with this research area. No direct experience in sensory analysis or Consumer Science emerges. The candidate has solid quantitative and computational skills, with experience in statistical modelling, network analysis and machine learning and in the use of various programming languages and tools, which may be useful for the research covered by the call.

CANDIDATE: CASIRAGHI Chiara

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

24/40

Collective assessment:



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The candidate has an academic background in psychology and neuroscience, which does not fall directly within the field of food science and technology but is relevant to the Consumer Science aspects covered by the call. Her research activity mainly concerns consumer psychology, consumer behaviour and consumer neuroscience, including applications to food choices and the study of sustainability. Her scientific output is substantial and includes contributions relevant to Consumer Science, some of them as first author. She presents fair conference activity, good statistical skills for data analysis and good experimental skills for conducting behavioural studies.

CANDIDATE: CORDERO Beatrice

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

24/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background fully consistent with the field of food science and technology and is completing a PhD in Food System. Her research activity mainly concerns the chemical and aroma characterisation of wine and includes experience in organising and managing sensory analysis sessions. Her scientific output is limited and only partially relevant to this call. She presents fair communication activity at national and international conferences. The candidate holds the qualification of Junior Sensory Project Manager.

CANDIDATE: FERRAIOLI Annachiara

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

22/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background consistent with the field of food science and technology and is completing a PhD in Food System. Her research activity is mainly focused on the valorisation of by-products, ingredient development and the technological characterisation of foods, with some experience in sensory analysis. Her scientific output is limited and only partially relevant to the content of this call. She presents contributions to scientific conferences, including one oral presentation.

CANDIDATE: GALIGANI Mattia

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

23/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in psychology and neuroscience, which does not fall directly within the field of food science and technology. He declares professional experience as a data scientist. His research activity focuses on multisensory perception and sensory neuroscience and has an experimental component, but no applications to the food sector. He presents substantial scientific output



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and extensive conference activity, as a speaker, as an author of contributions and in one case as a member of the scientific committee, although none of this is pertinent to the topics of the call. He also has experience as Guest Editor for an international journal. In addition, he presents significant teaching activity, three research awards and good experimental skills for conducting behavioural studies.

CANDIDATE: KOUAMO Manuella

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

22/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in the biological, pharmaceutical and food sciences, with research activity mainly focused on food quality, safety and preservation. Her professional and research experience is consistent with the food sector, but only partially consistent with the specific content of the call. The scientific output submitted is partially relevant to the topics of the selection. She presents several contributions to scientific conferences, including two oral presentations, and declares skills in the use of statistical software for data analysis. She declares knowledge of Italian (C1 level).

CANDIDATE: LUZZINI Giovanni

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

35/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background fully consistent with the field of food science and technology, with research activity mainly in oenological chemistry and the physico-chemical characterisation of wines. He presents an extensive scientific output, with several publications pertinent to the field covered by the call and contributions on the relationship between volatile composition and sensory perception. He has participated in numerous conferences, as a speaker, as a co-author of contributions and in one case as a member of the organising committee. He also has experience as Guest Editor for a special issue of an international journal. He declares a fair amount of tutoring, laboratory work and thesis co-supervision.

CANDIDATE: MILLER Anthea

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

29/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background that is overall consistent with the food sector. Her multidisciplinary research activity covers food safety, the valorisation of by-products and the technological and sensory characterisation of ingredients and products. She presents a high scientific output and substantial communication activity at national and international conferences. However, only part of this



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output is relevant to the content of this call. Her experience in the sensory field is limited. The candidate also documents international experience and teaching activity. In addition, she has experience as an editorial board member for an international journal and as guest editor for two international journals.

CANDIDATE: MOTA GUTIERREZ Jatziri

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

38/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in nutrition, microbiology and food science, and her research activity is fully consistent with the call. In particular, her most recent activity focuses on Consumer Science, with studies on consumer perceptions and preferences, food acceptability, food choices and sustainability. She presents an extensive scientific output, with numerous publications relevant to the call, and substantial communication activity at national and international conferences. The candidate also documents experience in project management, international collaborations and statistical skills, as well as scientific awards. She declares knowledge of Italian (advanced level).

CANDIDATE: NAEEM Muhammad Yasir

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

26/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background that is partially relevant to the disciplinary field covered by the call. His research activity and scientific output are mainly focused on the biochemical characterisation of plant matrices and are partially relevant to the topics of the field covered by the call. He declares good conference activity and skills in the use of numerous statistical methods for data analysis.

CANDIDATE: RABIE ASHKEZARY Mansour

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:

32/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background fully consistent with the field of food science and technology, and his research activity is oriented towards sensory science. He presents a good scientific output consistent with this call, with publications focusing on the chemical, instrumental and sensory characterisation of foods. The candidate also presents contributions to international conferences and declares skills in the statistical analysis of sensory data. He declares knowledge of Italian (B1 level).

CANDIDATE: SADIQ Saba

Score awarded following the assessment of qualifications and publications:



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16/40

Collective assessment:

The candidate has an academic background in biotechnology and biomolecular sciences, which is partially consistent with the disciplinary field covered by the call. Her research activity is mainly focused on fermentation, functional foods and the valorisation of by-products. Her scientific output and conference activity are limited. She declares knowledge of Italian (beginner level).

The Committee

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Maria Piochi

Chiara Chirilli