

## **Lettera di motivazione per partecipare alla selezione della SIICA Junior Faculty**

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### **Testo:**

Dear SIICA Committee,

Please accept my candidacy to participate to the selection as member of the SIICA Junior Faculty.

As a member of several national and international networks, I was delighted to spot the advertisement of the SIICA Junior Faculty. In particular, I was excited to find that my qualifications align with the need and missions of the SIICA Junior Faculty.

I believe that my skillset will be valuable for the synergy between SIICA and the Junior Faculty. I took part in the organization of several events (PhD retreat, doctoral school conferences and seminars) with the aim of promoting science to the lay audience and supporting early career scientists (like me!).

I have also taken part in strategic meetings for the organization of courses focused on career development for PhD students within the doctoral training unit in the department of infection and immunity, where I study.

I currently live abroad, but I am excited to contribute my proficiency and energy to help SIICA in the organization of national events. Importantly, I fully support the need of interaction among young scientists of which the SIICA Junior Faculty is promoter. Indeed, in order to make connections and handle criticism, an open and adaptive attitude is of crucial importance for a scientist. The events organized by the Junior Faculty are pivotal to foster personal and scientific growth of junior members of SIICA.

Scientific promotion and networking are crucial driving forces in research and the SIICA Junior Faculty represents a unique possibility for me, as early-career scientist, to contribute to and continue the effort of SIICA in promoting young scientists and disseminate information about our immune system with public initiatives.

Thank you for considering my application,

Yours sincerely,

Davide