

Resolution 832/2020, of 27 May, authorising the selection committees for the recruitment processes announced in Resolution 865/2019, of 20 May, to conduct the competition remotely

Factual and legal basis

Resolution 865/2019, of 20 May, announced the selection processes for the recruitment of teaching and research staff in the framework of the Serra Húnter Programme.

Although several of the posts in this call have already been assigned, some of the selection processes have yet to be conducted because they have been affected by the enactment of Royal Decree 463/2020, of 14 March, which declared the state of alarm to manage the COVID-19 health crisis, including measures such as suspending administrative deadlines. With the suspension of these deadlines and the lockdown measures dictated by the aforementioned Royal Decree and related legislation, the selection processes came to a halt.

Royal Decree 537/2020, of 22 May, which extended the state of alarm, set a date, 1 June, for the lifting of the suspension of administrative deadlines, but there are still restrictions on mobility and face-to-face meetings.

Section 6.1 of the call foresees constituting the selection committee remotely but does not specify how its members must participate in subsequent stages of the competition, although members would have typically convened at UPC premises to do so.

Section 6.2 foresees that the competition will comprise a first stage conducted remotely and a second stage that consists of an on-site, disqualifying and public test.

If the public service given by the University is to be maintained, it is essential to cover the posts that are the object of the call and therefore to resume the selection process once the suspension of administrative deadlines has been lifted.

The characteristics of Serra Húnter calls, in which international participation in the selection committees and of candidates is significant, require that, given the restrictions on mobility, which include quarantine for visitors from outside Spain, regulations be adapted so that these calls can be conducted under the principles of equality, merit, capacity and public disclosure.

From the above, and by the powers granted to me in the UPC Statutes,

I HEREBY RESOLVE:

ONE. That the selection committees of the selection processes pending appointment of those called in Resolution 865/2019, of 20 May, may make arrangements to participate purely by remote means. Thus, each of the members may sign a copy of the documents that, in accordance with procedure, must be signed by committee members and that will be as valid if they had been signed in a single copy.

TWO. That, given the restrictions on the mobility of candidates and face-to-face meetings, the committees may make arrangements for candidates to participate remotely in the second stage. Thus, to guarantee the public disclosure of the test, the e-mail address to which access to the test was requested will be published along with the call.



Appeals against this resolution, which exhausts the right of appeal through administrative channels, may be filed with the ordinary courts of Barcelona within two months from the day after the notification of this resolution, in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of Law 29/1998, of 13 July, which regulates the ordinary courts, without prejudice to the right to optionally file an appeal for reversal before appealing to the ordinary courts with the rector of the UPC, within one month from the day after this notification is received or, if appropriate, from the day after its publication, in accordance with articles 123 and 124 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the Common Administrative Procedures of the Public Administrations. The periods indicated here will begin to be counted from 1 June, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 537/2020, of 22 May.

The rector

Prof. Francesc Torres

Barcelona, 27 May 2020