



Call for proposals

END OF THESIS – 2026

To support the PhD students, the MarMaRa Institute offers fundings for **extension of PhD contract**. Extensions can be granted for a **maximum of 6 months** and aim to support candidates needing additional **time for experimental or editorial work**.

General eligibility criteria and evaluation rules:

- A team can apply a **maximum of two times to the same call** and the team leader will be asked to rank the applications.
- For TAGC members (laboratory not operating in teams) only four applications for the whole laboratory are accepted for each call session.
- In case of two applications from the same team for the same call, the applications ranked second will be evaluated by the scientific committee according to the budget available.
- Masters' internships and PhD students must only be funded by the dedicated calls ("Master", "End of thesis").

Specific eligibility criteria:

- Applicants should be currently enrolled in the **3rd of their PhD program**.

Eligible candidates may not apply more than 6 months before the theoretical end of their third year of doctoral studies (e.g. spring call for applications for an extension in the following fall).

- Applicants should be working in one of the **MarMaRa's research team**.
- To be eligible a significant proportion of the team members (students, non-permanent, permanent staff) must have been involved in the institute's activities¹ during the last and current academic year. If not, you commit to participate for the current and next academic year.

Evaluation:

The Scientific committee of MarMaRa will evaluate and select the candidates. The evaluation criteria will be the current status of the research work and the timeline until completion of the thesis.

¹ Annual symposium, seminars, PhD program, WG CIVIS, WG 3M...

Documents required:

- Application form (document to download [on the website](#))
- CV with a list of publications
- **Last thesis CSI (Comité de Suivi Individuel) annual report**
- Proof of 4th year application(s) to other organisations (encouraged if applicable)

Application must be submitted as a single PDF file ("MarMaRa_AO_End of thesis_[Name]_[Laboratory – team]_OCT26") in this [AMUBOX folder](#).

Terms of engagement:

All scientific publications and communications which have benefited of the financial support of MarMaRa must mention the following sentence:

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Publications must be deposited in the A*Midex HAL amU collection, the University's open archive.

Deadline 19/10/2026