



**PhD position available**  
at the Fondazione E. Mach  
and the University of Ferrara, Italy  
**on rewilding and biodiversity!**

The call is here: <https://www.unife.it/studenti/dottorato/it/concorsi/selection>

**Deadline for application: 25 July 2022.**

**Title:** Rewilding of the peri-urban forests of northern Italy: studying the impact of biodiversity recovery on disease risk using field measures (nature-based solutions), metagenomics and participatory approaches to define best practices.

**Description:** This project will give the doctoral candidate the chance to learn a range of field, laboratory, bioinformatics, statistical and modeling skills, with an international team of renowned research scientists collaborating on the EU HORIZON project BEPREP (*Identification of best practices for biodiversity recovery and public health interventions*).

The student will be involved in experimental design, sample collection and analysis of a large innovative study on the recovery of ecosystem microbiota (animals, plants and soil) during reforestation. They will also be involved in using this data for disease risk models, and could also participate in testing nature-based methods for improving biodiversity recovery, and using participatory methods for data collection.

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