

Annex A – Positions with specific topic

Ph.D. Course	TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNANCE
Scholarship type	ERC-funded MENA-PERC project : Political Elites and Regime Change in the Middle East and North Africa: Accommodation or Exclusion? (Grant Agreement n. 101044015)
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Title	1) Elites and Development: The Political Economy of Regime Coalitions 2) Sustaining Transition, Undermining Change: Old Elites in New Regimes
Brief description of the research project	1) Elites and Development: The Political Economy of Regime Coalitions Building on regime coalition data collected within the MENA-PERC project, a PhD student will explore the distributional consequences of different regime coalitions, to assess whether patterns of elite conflict cause variation in regime types. 2) Sustaining Transition, Undermining Change: Old Elites in New Regimes A second PhD student will conduct a fieldwork-based project theorizing the role of old elites during and after regime change, to examines whether elite conflict is linked to regime outcomes by the hypothesized mechanism of elite preferences for accommodation or exclusion.
SSD	SPS/04, SPS/08, SPS/09
Period of study and research to be carried out abroad	Each student is ordinarily expected to carry out periods of research and training activity, related to the research project, with highly qualified partners and/or institutions in Italy and abroad. The foreign and Italian destinations will be agreed with the students who will be holders of the scholarship, decided by supervisors and authorized by the Ph.D course board, giving preference to Tunisia, Turkey and Egypt, countries at the center of the research project.