

## **TAL B2 - English for STEM**

The total duration of the test is 75 minutes and it includes 3 pages of **listening** activities and 3 pages of **reading** activities.

In order to pass the test, the candidate must correctly answer at least 60% of the questions. Eventual incorrect answers will NOT be penalized.

In order to familiarize oneself with the type, level and format of the test's questions, we advise candidates to take a look at the sample test available on Moodle, which is accessible through the webpage "[Preparation for the TAL Tests](#)".

### **LISTENING**

Task 1:

Watching a five-minute-long video about a general STEM-related topic. The video is divided into 4 parts (the different parts are indicated within the video by a freeze-frame). The candidate will need to match a summarizing sentence to each of the video's parts (matching).

Task 2:

Listening to a 5-minute-long audio recording of a STEM-related interview. The candidate will need to choose the correct continuation amongst 3 proposed options for each of the 5 given statements about the recording (multiple choice).

Task 3:

Watching a 6-minute-long video of a presentation done by an expert of a STEM topic. The candidate will be given 5 different statements whose content will be categorized as true, false, or not given, in relation to the content of the presentation (true/false/not given).

### **READING**

Task 4:

The candidate will be given 4 brief abstracts from STEM-related research publications, each one around 150 words long. The candidate then needs to match one given statement to each of the given abstracts (matching).

**Task 5:**

Reading of a STEM- related scientific article of around 500 words. The candidate will need to choose the correct continuation amongst 3 proposed options for each of the 5 given statements about the text (multiple choice).

**Task 6:**

Reading of a STEM- related scientific article of around 400 words. The candidate will be asked to categorize if 5 given statements are true, false, or not given, compared to the content of the text (true/false/not given).