



CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR A RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

Reference: Phy2SUDOE_ SOE4/P5/E1021 – BI_3

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A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one Research Scholarship within the scope of the project “Phy2SUDOE” (SOE4/P5/E1021), co-financed by INTERREG SUDOE program, through European Regional Development Fund.

Scientific Area: Biological Sciences

Admission requirements: At the time of application, candidates must have completed a Master Degree in Biological/Technological Sciences or related fields, with a minimum average of 16 values.

Candidates must have proficiency of written and spoken English and research experience in the field of microbiology and plants.

As preference factors, the previous experience in research projects, field work and evidence of capacity to produce scientific outputs will be considered.

Candidates should be enrolled or commit to enrolling in a course that does not confer an academic degree with the purpose of consolidating their scientific training.¹

Work Plan:

The work to be developed by the Research Fellow is integrated in a research project whose main objective is to consolidate and innovate soil phytomanagement practices. The main activities will be related to the isolation of microorganisms with biotechnological interest, analysis of soil biological activity, and collaboration in the monitoring and sampling of

¹ Candidates are given the possibility, at the application stage, to submit only a declaration of commitment to enroll in a course that does not confer an academic degree under the terms mentioned above. If the candidate is selected, the delivery failure of the effective enrollment document for the course, within ten working days, following the date of communication of the selection, will be considered as withdrawal of the candidate for the scholarship investigation for which you were selected



experimental fields. The Research Fellow will also participate in all project tasks, from literature review to research data collection and analysis.

Applicable legislation and regulations:

- Statute of the Scientific Research Fellow: <https://dre.pt/web/guest/legislacao-consolidada/-/lc/58216179/view?w=2019-08-28>
- Regulation of Research Scholarships of the Science and Technology Foundation, I.P: <https://dre.pt/application/conteudo/127238533>;
- Regulation of Research Scholarships of the Portuguese Catholic University: http://www.porto.ucp.pt/sites/default/files/files/DRH/RegBolsasInvestigacao_Cientifica_UCP2020.pdf

Workplace: The work will be developed at the CBQF - Center for Biotechnology and Fine Chemistry of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa in Portugal, integrated into the *School of Biotechnology*, in Porto, under the scientific supervision of Prof. Dr. Paula Castro, Dr. Sofia Pereira and Dr. Helena Moreira.

Duration of the scholarship: The scholarship scheduled to start on October 10th, 2022 will have a duration of 3 months on an exclusive basis.

Monthly maintenance allowance amount: The amount of the scholarship corresponds to €1144,64 according to the research scholarship values awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in the Country (<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores.phtml.pt>) and will be paid by bank transfer.

Selection methods: The selection methods to be used will be as follows: i) curricular evaluation (40%); ii) previous experience (60%). The final decision, if necessary, may involve an interview with the best-placed candidates, in which case the weighting will be curricular



assessment (35%); ii) previous experience (50%) and selection interview (15%). Applications that do not meet the admission requirements, those submitted after the deadline, and those that are incomplete will be considered ineligible.

Composition of the Selection Jury:

Prof. Dr. Paula Castro (President)

Dr. Sofia Pereira (Effective member)

Dr. Helena Moreira (Effective member)

Prof. Dr. Paula Teixeira (Substitute member)

Form of advertising/notification of results: The jury deliberates in accordance with the selection criteria adopted and disclosed. The jury meetings minutes will contain a summary of the meeting content. After completing the application of the selection criteria, the jury proceeds with the elaboration of the ordered list, with the ranking of the approved candidates. The ranking list of eligible candidates will be published on the premises of the Portuguese Catholic University, in Porto, located at Rua de Diogo Botelho, 1327, 4169-005 Porto - Portugal, with each candidate being notified of his/her position on the list ranking of candidates via email. In this email, candidate will be identified according to the reference used in the published ranking list. Ineligible applicants will be notified by email, with details of the missing eligibility elements.

Complaint and appeal procedures: Candidates have a period of ten working days, after the disclosure referred to in the previous number, to give their opinion at a prior hearing.

Deadline for acceptance of the scholarship: Within ten working days following notification of the grant award, the selected candidate must confirm in writing his/her availability to



start the scholarship on the proposed date. Failing to do so or not having availability, the candidate placed in the next position will be called.

Application deadline and form of submission: Applications will be accepted from **August 5, 2022** until **September 4, 2022** at 23:59.

Applications should be made through the [Application Form](https://ingueritos.porto.ucp.pt/hr/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=566685&lang=en) available at: <https://ingueritos.porto.ucp.pt/hr/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=566685&lang=en>, through which the following documents should be submitted:

- 1) Cover letter, identifying the title and reference of the project, describe the motivation and professional objectives of the candidate;
- 2) Detailed Curriculum Vitae (should contain all the elements to assess the admission requirements, including language knowledge and research experience);
- 3) Copy of the certificate(s) of qualifications conferring academic degree in the terms requested in the notice, which contains the final classifications;
- 4) Record of recognition of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions and record of the conversion of the corresponding final classification to the Portuguese classification scale.²
- 5) Proof of enrollment in a course that does not lead to an academic degree or a declaration of commitment to enroll in a course that does not lead to an academic degree under the terms referred to in the admission requirements.

Only applications received during the opening period of the above-mentioned call shall be considered.

² If the required academic degree has been awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must comply with the provisions of Portuguese legislation on the recognition of foreign degrees, regulated by Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of 16 August. Candidates are advised to consult the website of the Directorate-General for Higher Education (DGES) for additional information on this matter: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/recongnition>



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