

Tender notice

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Tender open for the award of 1 (one) Research Scholarship within the scope of the Cooperation Protocol between the Instituto Europeu de Ciências da Cultura Padre Manuel Antunes and the Associação Native Scientists.

Scientific Domains: Social Sciences and Humanities.

Requirements and eligibility criteria: This notice is aimed at candidates who hold a bachelor's degree in the identified scientific fields and who are enrolled in a course that is part of the educational project of a higher education institution, regardless of whether the course confers an academic degree.

Additional requirements/preferences:

- Excellent knowledge of the Portuguese language;
- Proficiency in quantitative and qualitative methods of data collection and analysis;
- Participation in the organization of national and/or international science communication events;
- Excellent teamwork skills;
- Participation in research projects.

The following applicants are eligible:

- a) Portuguese citizens or citizens of other Member States of the European Union;
- b) Citizens of other countries;
- c) Stateless persons;
- d) Political refugees.

Work plan: The work will be carried out under the scientific coordination of Professor Pedro Abrantes, PhD, and will consist of the following tasks:

- Conducting research activities in the scientific area covered by this call;

- Establishing data collection procedures within the scope of Native Scientists' educational programmes.

The scholarship holder must submit, within 60 working days after the end of the Scholarship, in electronic format, a final report containing the activities carried out and results obtained, accompanied by the opinion of the supervisor.

The final report will be evaluated by the supervisor according to the following criteria:

- Quality of the work developed - 60%
- Results achieved (publications; conference presentations) - 30%
- Integration and adaptation skills - 10%

Each criterion will be graded 0-20. The final evaluation will be 0-20.

This Scholarship is regulated by: Portuguese Research Fellow Charter/Estatuto do Bolseiro de Investigação Científica (Law no. 40/2004, Decree-Law no. 123/2019, Decree-Law no. 89/2013, Decree-Law no. 233/2012, and Law no. 12/2013); Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia Fellowship Bylaws/Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, IP (last version).

The template of the Scholarship contract, of the final report and of the opinion of the supervisor are available at: <https://iecc-pma.eu/bolseiros-as/>

Place of the activity: The activities related to the Scholarship will be carried out in a mixed format: remotely and with in-person sessions at the headquarters of the Instituto Europeu de Ciências da Cultura Padre Manuel Antunes or at partner institutions of the project.

Duration of the Scholarship: The Scholarship will have a duration of 6 (six) months, and it can be automatically renewed for equal periods, subject to budgetary availability, up to the maximum period established in the current FCT Regulation for Studentships and Fellowships.

Following the procedure for granting the Scholarship, if the final ranking list, duly ratified, contains a number of successful candidates greater than the number of available Scholarships, an internal recruitment reserve is always created, which is used within a maximum period of 18 (eighteen) months from the date of approval of the final ranking list, when there is a need for filling the vacancy due to renunciation of the scholarship holder.

Benefits: Stipend in accordance to the Portuguese Science Foundation salary scale (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela_valores_SMM_2025.pdf), paid by bank transfer.

Insurance costs (Seguro Social Voluntário for the first level and Seguro de Acidentes Pessoais) are supported by the employer.

Acceptance of the Scholarship is exclusive of any other professional or research activity (Art. 5 of the Research Fellowship Holder Statute).

Selection process: The application selection methods will consist in Curricular Evaluation (CE), considering the requirements identified in this notice, as follows:

- a) Absolut merit of academic training, or qualification level certified by the competent authorities, valued from 1 to 20 points (35%);
- b) Previous experience in areas directly related to the work plan and adequacy of the candidate's profile to the presented requirements, valued from 1 to 20 points (35%);
- c) Proposal for a research project (in conformity with the scientific field of this notice), valued from 1 to 20 points. (25%)
- d) Motivation letter, valued from 1 to 20 points (5%);

In this sense, the classification formula for the relative positioning of candidates will be $CE = M*0,35+PE*0,35+P*0,25+ML*0,05$, whereas M is absolute merit, PE is previous experience and adequacy of the candidate to the work plan, P is the proposal for research project, and ML is the motivation letter and other relevant characteristics presented by the candidate for the work to be developed and the availability to start work.

If the jury considers pertinent, the candidates may be called for an interview.

Selection jury: PhD Pedro Abrantes (President), PhD Joana Moscoso, PhD José Eduardo Franco and PhD Paula Carreira.

Publicity/notification of results: The final results of the evaluation will be publicized, through a draft ordered list published on the website of the IECCPMA.

The results of the evaluation will be published within 90 working days after the deadline for submission of applications. Candidates may present complaints about the final ranking list project within 10 working days from its publication. The final decision will be taken within a maximum period of 60 working days after the conclusion of the prior hearing period for interested parties. The successful candidate will be notified via email.

Deadline for application and form of submission of applications: Applications may be submitted within the period of from 19 of December of 2025 to 11 of January of 2026.

Applications must be mandatorily submitted through an application letter accompanied by the following documents: detailed *Curriculum Vitae*, certificate of qualifications with the classifications of the subjects, proposal for research project (2500 words maximum), motivation letter and other documents that the candidate considers relevant. No documents to be submitted may be presented after the deadline set for this purpose in the application notice.

During the application phase, applicants will need to prove that they meet the necessary conditions of enrollment in a study cycles leading an academic degree or in courses that do not lead to an academic degree. During the phase of signing the Scholarship contract, it will be necessary to present proof of enrollment.

Applications that do not submit the required mandatory documentation will be excluded.

Applications must be sent by email to ieccpma@gmail.com.