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INVESTIGATION SCHOLARSHIP

Refª TRANSCoLAB PLUS BI_1

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A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one research grant (BI) within the scope of Project “TRANSCoLAB PLUS (0112_TRANSCoLAB_PLUS_2_P) - Laboratorio Colaborativo Transfronterizo para la transición verde del sector Agroalimentario y Agroindustrial”, financed by Programa de Cooperación “Interreg VI-A España – Portugal (POCTEP) 2021-2027”, under the following conditions:

Scientific Area: Biotechnology

Admission requirements:

Applicants for the Research scholarship must, at the date of application, be registered, or present proof of conditional registration in a PhD in the scientific area of Biotechnology or related areas. In fact, candidates for the Research scholarship, after selection, in order to begin contracting the scholarship, must enroll in the doctoral program in Biotechnology at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia, according to the theme and scholarship work plan to be carried out within the scope of the project identified above. This doctoral program must be carried out at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa and guided by the team identified to implement the work plan.

Specific requirements:

- a) Higher academic qualifications in the area of Biotechnology, Microbiology, or related areas.
- b) Good command of the English language (conversation and writing)
- c) Interest in the scientific area and be able to develop teamwork in a multidisciplinary and multicultural environment.

Preferred Factors:

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a) Command of the Spanish language

b) Previous research experience in the development of bioactive ingredients, based on the valorization of agri-food by-products.

Work Plan:

The activity to be developed by the scholarship holder is part of a research project whose main objective is to boost and reinforce the cross-border network already created through previous cross-border collaboration actions (TRANSCOLAB Network), generating information and transferring information technology for the cereal industry sector, for an innovative, more competitive and sustainable economic transformation of the business tissue of the cross-border space. The main activities will allow the development of functional and traditional food products based on gastronomy and the agri-food industry (local or cross-border), boosting the market and demand. The Research Fellow will participate in all project tasks through integration into the team.

Applicable legislation and regulations:

- Statute of the Scientific Research Fellow: <https://dre.pt/web/guest/legislacao-consolidada/-/lc/58216179/view?w=2019-08-28>;
- Research Foundation Regulations 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 Escola Superior de Biotecnologia, Porto, under the scientific supervision of Professor Doctor Manuela Pintado and co-supervision of Doctor Ezequiel Coscueta and Doutor María Emilia Brassesco.

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Duration of the scholarship:

The scholarship, which is expected to begin on April, 1st, 2024, will have an initial duration of 33 months on an exclusive basis. This grant may be renewed for an additional period, and may not go beyond the project's end date, scheduled for December, 26th, 2026.

Monthly maintenance allowance amount:

The amount of the scholarship corresponds to 1259,64€ according to the stock chart of the scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in the Country (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM_atualizacao-2024.pdf) 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 interviews with the best positioned candidates, and in this situation, the weighting will be curriculum evaluation (35%); ii) previous experience (50%) and selection interview (15%).

Only candidates with a final classification equal to or greater than seventy-five points, on a scale of 0 to 100, will be selected for this position.

Applications that do not meet the admission requirements, delivered on time and incomplete applications will be considered ineligible.

Composition of the Selection Jury:

Professor Doctor Manuela Pintado (President of jury)

Doctor Ezequiel Coscueta (Member)

Doctor María Emilia Brassesco

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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 posted 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 posted 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 **February 16th, 2024**, until **March 02nd, 2024**, at 23:59.

Applications should be made through the [application Form](https://hr-ucpporto.inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/588151?lang=en) available at: <https://hr-ucpporto.inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/588151?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;

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- 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 contain the final classifications.
- 4) Registration of recognition of the academic degree awarded by a foreign higher education institution, preferably with the registration of the conversion of the respective final classification to the Portuguese classification scale to guarantee eligibility in this call for application 1
- 5) Proof of enrollment/registration in a PhD in proof of conditional enrollment in a PhD in the scientific area of Biotechnology at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia of Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Only applications received during the opening period of the above-mentioned competition shall be considered in this competition.

Candidates who incorrectly formalize their application or who do not prove the requirements of this competition are excluded from admission to the competition. False statements made by applicants will be punished under the law.

Privacy Policy:

Universidade Católica Portuguesa is the controller responsible for the processing of Personal Data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – General Regulation on Data Protection.

The personal data processed in the scope of this tender procedure is processed within the framework of said tender procedure only and will be processed by Universidade Católica Portuguesa with the purpose of verifying the fulfilment, by the candidates, of the assumptions established in the applicable legislation for their contracting. Opposition to the processing of data by the candidates will make it impossible to accept the application and, therefore, to analyze and evaluate it.

¹If the required academic degree has been conferred by a foreign higher education institution, it must comply with the provisions of Portuguese legislation on the recognition of foreign degrees, regulated by DL no. 66/2018 of 16 August.

Applicants 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/reconhecimento>

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Rights of Personal Data Subjects: <https://www.ucp.pt/rights-data-subjects> .

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Universidade Católica Portuguesa actively promotes a non-discrimination and equal access policy, wherefore no candidate can be privileged, benefited, impaired or deprived of any rights whatsoever, or be exempt of any duties based on their ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, family and economic conditions, instruction, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions, and union membership.

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