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## CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR A PhD SCHOLARSHIP

Refª BE@T- BI\_1

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A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one Research Scholarship within the scope of the project “BE@T – Bioeconomy for Textiles and Clothing, investment TC-C12-i01 – Sustainable Bioeconomy, financed by the Recovery and Resilience Plan (PRR), under the following conditions, set out below.

**Scientific Area:** Chemistry

**Admission requirements:** Applicants for the research grant must, at the time of application, be enrolled or commit to enrolling in a doctoral program in the scientific areas of biotechnology. Applicants must have higher academic qualifications in the scientific area on Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Textile Engineering, or related areas. Applicants must have a good command of the English language. Knowledge of infrared spectroscopy is also required. Knowledge of chemometrics, experience in research projects and evidence of international scientific publications will be considered preferential factors.

**Work Plan:** The activity to be developed by the scholarship holder is part of the research project PRR-Bioeconomy for the Textil and Clothing Sector. The main goal of the work is to develop a suitable methodology based on infrared spectroscopy to identify natural and artificial with natural origin fibers. The Research Fellow will participate in all project tasks, from the literature review to the collection and analysis of qualitative research data. The Research Fellow will participate in all project tasks, from literature review to research data collection and analysis and writing articles for peer-reviewed international journals.

**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>;



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- Regulation of Research Scholarships of the Portuguese Catholic University:  
[http://www.porto.ucp.pt//sites/default/files/files/DRH/RegBolsasInvestigacao\\_Cientifica\\_UCP2020.pdf](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 Doctor Clara Cecília Santana de Sousa and Doctor Pedro Miguel Rodrigues.

**Duration of the scholarship:** The scholarship, which is expected to begin on 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, will have an initial duration of 12 months on an exclusive basis. This grant may be renewed for an additional period of 21,5 months, and may not go beyond the project's end date, scheduled for December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**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 3 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.

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.

**Composition of the Selection Jury:**

Professor Manuela Pintado (President)  
Doctor Clara Sousa (Effective member)  
Doctor Pedro Rodrigues (Effective member)



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Professor António Osmaro Rangel (Substitute member)

Professor Ana Leite Oliveira (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 **February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**, until **February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**, at 23:59.

Applications must be sent by email to: [drh.recrutamento.porto@ucp.pt](mailto:drh.recrutamento.porto@ucp.pt), identifying in the subject of the email "Application to the competition with the reference "Refª BE@T-BI 1"".





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The application must be accompanied by the following documents:

- 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.
- 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. <sup>1</sup>
- 5) Proof or commitment of enrollment/registration in a doctoral study cycle.

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

Candidates who incorrectly formalize their application or who do not prove the requirements of this call are excluded. 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 fulfillment, 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.

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<sup>1</sup> If the required academic degree has been conferred by a foreign higher education institution, it must comply with the 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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The Data Subject has the right of access and portability of the data.

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

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**Contact:**

**If you have any questions about this position, please contact:**

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