

CALL FOR AWARDING RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS WITHIN PROJECT GRANTS AND R&D INSTITUTIONS

1 (one) Research Fellowship (BI) for PhD student or MSc enrolled in a non-degree course

1 Research Fellowship(s) (BI) is(are) open at the **FCiências.ID – Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento de Ciências**, for the project/R&D institution “GenoCash”, “PTDC/ASP-AGR/0760/2020”, “DOI: <https://doi.org/10.54499/PTDC/ASP-AGR/0760/2020>”, funded by the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P. through national funds under the SR&TD Program for Projects in all Scientific Domains, under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Agricultural Sciences
2. **Admission requirements:** Master's degree in Agronomic Engineering, Biology or other related sciences. Demonstrated experience in statistical data analysis and writing of scientific articles, proven by participation in 1 (one) scientific article published in an international journal indexed in the WOS and with an impact factor (IF).
3. **Additional optional skills and qualifications:** Experience in studies of tropical agricultural systems, more specifically in cashew trees and/or agricultural crops in Guinea-Bissau. Knowledge of the Creole language of Guinea-Bissau.
4. **Contracting requirements:** Presentation of the academic qualifications and/or diplomas. Enrolment in Doctoral course or a non-degree course developed in association or cooperation between a High Education Institution and one or multiple research units.
5. **Work plan:** Analysis of data resulting from the application of agro-morphological characters (task 2) in cashew nuts in Guinea-Bissau, preparation and writing of a scientific article and participation in dissemination activities with Guinean partners (in Portuguese and Creole) - task 6. The work plan includes visits to the Herbarium “João de Carvalho e Vasconcellos”, Instituto Superior de Agronomia (Univ. of Lisbon), to carry out the work.
6. **Legislation framework:** Research Fellowship Holder Statute, in accordance with Law 40/2004, of 18 August, in its current version and the FCT Regulation for Research Studentships and Fellowships, in its current version (Reg. 950/2019 published in DR on 16th December: <https://dre.pt/application/file/a/127230968>, or at the FCT website: <https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/regulamento.phtml.pt>), and FCIências.ID Fellowship Regulation, as approved on 12th May 2020 (available at [Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação Científica da FCIências.ID](#)).
7. **Place of work:** The work will be developed at the Tropical Systems and Plants group, CE3C – Centre for Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Changes, of the Faculdade de Ciências of the University of Lisbon, under the scientific supervision of Professor Filipa Monteiro.
8. **Fellowship duration:** This position is initially opened for 3 months due to start in March 2025. The fellowship contract may be potentially renewed for until the end of the project, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation of Research Fellowships from the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P.
9. **Monthly allowance:** The fellowship amounts to € 1309,64, according to [table values](#) of the fellowships awarded directly by the FCT, IP. The fellowship holder will have a personal accident insurance and can ensure the right to social security through adherence to the voluntary social insurance scheme, if not covered by any other social protection scheme, pursuant to *Código dos Regimes Contributivos do Sistema Previdencial de Segurança Social*. The fellowship will be paid monthly by bank transfer.
10. **Evaluation and selection process:** Candidates will be assessed by a) curriculum evaluation - 60%; b) motivation letter - 20%; c) experience in studies of tropical agricultural systems, more specifically in cashew trees

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and/or agricultural crops in Guinea-Bissau - 20%. The jury may choose to conduct an interview with the top 3 (three) classified candidates total of criteria a) to c). In this case, the sum of the evaluations obtained in criteria a) to c) will correspond to 80% of the final classification and the interview to 20%.

Applicants whose application is scored with a final classification of less than 60 points are not eligible for granting a fellowship.

11. **Selection Committee:** President of the jury - Filipa Monteiro, Assistant Researcher at Instituto Superior de Agronomia (LEAF/ISA/UL) and IR of the project; 1st Effective Member - Prof. Luís Catarino, Assistant Researcher at FCUL (cE3C, FCUL); 2nd Effective Member - Prof. Maria Manuel Romeiras, Associate Professor at Instituto Superior de Agronomia (LEAF/ISA/UL); 1st Alternate Member - Prof. Dora Batista, Assistant Professor at Instituto Superior de Agronomia (LEAF/ISA/UL); 2nd Alternate Member - Prof. Maria Cristina Duarte, Assistant Researcher at FCUL (cE3C/FCUL).

12. **Publication/notification of results:** All the candidates will be notified by e-mail, sent by the call holder, with the selection meeting minutes enclosed.

13. **Deadlines:** This call for applications is open from 25/02/2025 to 11/03/2025 .

14. **Application:** Applications should be sent via e-mail to fmonteiro@isa.ulisboa.pt, indicating - otherwise they will not be considered eligible – in the Subject “944 – 1A BI”, by attaching the following documents:

- a. Curriculum vitae;
- b. Certificate of completion of previous degree ^{Note 1, 2,}
- c. 1 (one) scientific article published in an international journal indexed in WOS and with an impact factor (IF) proving experience in statistical data analysis and writing scientific article(s);
- d. Motivation letter.

15. **Processing of personal data:** FCIências.ID – Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento de Ciências, as the controller under the General Data Protection Regulation, collects and processes the personal data requested in the context indicated in paragraph 14., under the legitimate interests in ensuring the award of the research fellowship to candidates with the indicated profile.

The personal data will be kept for the period necessary for the execution of the purposes for which they are intended, being ensured the processing and protection in an appropriate and diligent way, the confidentiality and integrity of these data, through appropriate technical and organizational measures.

Personal data may be transmitted to third parties, namely the entity funding the research project, solely for the purposes specifically established. In this sense, whenever the transfer of personal data to countries outside the European Union and/or international organizations is necessary, compliance with the applicable legal provisions is ensured.

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16. **Time limits for the appeal procedure:** In case of negative decision, the candidates have 10 business days, after the date of announcement of the results of the candidates' evaluation, to pronounce their disagreement in accordance with the *Código do Procedimento Administrativo*. Appeals against the final decision may be submitted to the Administration Board of FCIências.ID (fciencias.id@fciencias-id.pt) within 15 business days after the notification date.

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Note 1: The documents that prove the entitlement of the academic qualifications and diplomas can be dismissed during the application period and replaced by a declaration on their honour from the applicant ([Minuta PT](#), [Minute EN](#)). Their delivery is mandatory for the fellowship contractualization.

Note 2: Please note that - higher education degrees and diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions - need to be recognized by a Portuguese higher education institution, pursuant to the [Decree-Law nr. 66/2018](#) (August 16) and the [Ministerial Order nr. 33/2019](#) (January 25). The presentation of the recognition certificate is mandatory for contract signature. More information can be obtained at: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition>.