

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

Two Special Regime Research Fellowships for Masters

Two Special Regime Research Fellowships for masters are open at **FCiências.ID – Associação para a Investigação e o Desenvolvimento de Ciências**, for the project “MEDEA-CHART: The Medieval and Early-Modern Nautical Chart: Birth, Evolution and Use” (Grant Agreement ERC-STG-714033, financed by the European Union under Horizon 2020 Programme), under the following conditions:

- 1) **Scientific area:** History of Science and Technology, History of Cartography, History of Navigation.
- 2) **Requirements for admission:** Applicants need to have completed a Master’s degree on any field upon application, or alternatively, to hold a first degree and a highly relevant academic or scientific curriculum, attesting to their ability to carry out studies leading to a PhD degree. Applicants should reside in Portugal for the whole duration of the fellowship.
- 3) **Factors of preference:** Preference will be given to candidates with:
 - a) Experience in historical research, particularly in the fields of the History of Science, History of Cartography and History of Navigation;
 - b) Knowledge of Portuguese;
 - c) Knowledge of other Romanic languages, including Latin;
 - d) Knowledge of computer programming.
- 4) **Work plan:** the fellowship holders will be integrated in the PhD program of “History and Philosophy of Sciences” of the Faculty of Sciences - University of Lisbon (FCUL), which is expected to start in September 2017 and has a maximum duration of four years. The research work is to be carried out in the framework of the European Research Council project “MEDEA-CHART”, under the scientific supervision of Dr. Joaquim Alves Gaspar. Detailed information about the PhD program is available in: <https://ciencias.ulisboa.pt/en/oferta-formativa-0/curso/doutoramento/historia-e-filosofia-das-ciencias>
- 5) **Legislation framework:** Statute of the Scientific Research Fellowship, in accordance with Law 40/2004, of 18 August, as amended and republished by Decree-Law No. 202/2012 of 27 August, and as amended by Decree-Law No. 233/2012 of 29 October and by Law No. 12/2013, of January 29, and Decree-Law No. 89/2013 of 9 July; And also by the FCT, I.P. Fellowships Regulation, in force. See <http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/docs/RegulamentoBolsasFCT2015.pdf> and FCiências.ID Fellowship Regulation, as approved on 23 February, 2017.
- 6) **Place of work:** The work will be developed in the premises of Faculdade de Ciências - Universidade de Lisboa (FCUL), in Lisbon, Portugal. The fellowship holders may have to do research work in national and international libraries, archives, etc., as required.
- 7) **Fellowship duration:** The fellowship will begin on September 2017 and has an initial duration of six months. They may be renewed until the end of project MEDEA-CHART, which has a total duration of five years, after the PhD degrees are obtained by the holders, in accordance with the provisions of the “Regulation of Research Fellowships from the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P.”



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- 8) **Monthly allowance:** The fellowships amount to a monthly allowance of € 1.495,00. The fellowship holders will have a personal accident insurance and, if not covered by any social protection scheme, can ensure the right to social security through adherence to the voluntary social insurance scheme pursuant to the “Código dos Regimes Contributivos do Sistema Previdencial de Segurança Social”. The allowances will be paid monthly by bank transfer.
- 9) **Selection method:** The candidates will be assessed by a Selection Committee, on the basis of their curricula (40%), the fit between their personal profiles and the objectives of the MEDEA-CHART project (30%), and the quality of the suggested research work plan (30%). The candidates with the best ratings will be interviewed.
- 10) **Selection Committee:** Dr. Joaquim Alves Gaspar (president), Prof. Henrique Leitão (member), Prof. Antonio Sánchez (member), Prof. Ana Simões (substitute member) and Prof. Cláudia Castelo (substitute member).
- 11) **Publication/notification of results:** The final results of the evaluation will be made public by 15 May, 2017, in the form of an ordered list of final grades that will be posted at the entrance hall of **FCiências.ID**, located at the Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, C1 bldg – 3rd floor, Campo Grande, 1749-016 Lisboa. The candidates will be notified of the results by e-mail.
- 12) **Deadlines:** This call for applications is open from 13 April to 28 April, 2017.
- 13) **Application:** Applications should be sent via e-mail, to medea-chart@ciuhct.org, and include the following documents:
 - a) A Curriculum vitae, including an early achievement track-record and a list of published works (up to 1500 words);
 - b) A Letter of Motivation, including a proposal for a research work plan, consistent with the objectives of MEDEA-CHART project, as described in the Annex of the present call (up to 1500 words);
 - c) Certificates of all academic degrees;
 - d) Letters of recommendation (up to two).

ANNEX - Synopsis of MEDEA-CHART project:

<http://ciuhct.org/Media/Default/Online/Medea/International%20calls/MEDEA-CHART%20project%20description.pdf>

