

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

1 Research Fellowship (BI) for 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 “Monitorização da situação populacional de Saramugo com base na amostragem de DNA Ambiental”, financed by Instituto da Conservação da Natureza e das Florestas – Direção Regional da Conservação da Natureza e das Florestas, under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Biological Sciences
2. **Requirements for admission:** Masters in biological, marine and aquatic sciences or related.
3. **Additional optional skills and qualifications:** a. Experience in the collection and handling of water samples for environmental DNA (eDNA) analysis; b. Experience in the extraction of eDNA from water samples, amplification and sequencing of molecular markers; c. Experience in the development and testing of molecular markers; d. Familiarity with bioinformatic tools for eDNA analysis; e. General knowledge on ecology and genetics of aquatic organism.
4. **Contracting requirements:** Presentation of the academic qualifications and/or diplomas. Enrolment in a non-degree course.
5. **Work plan:** a. Establishing species specific markers for quantitative PCR assay, which will include primer design and testing in multiple fish species; b) Field work for water sampling; c) eDNA isolation from water samples; d) Participation on manuscript writing.
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](https://www.fciciencias.id/regulamento-de-bolsas-de-investigacao-cientifica-da-fciciencias.id)).
7. **Place of work:** The work will be developed at the MARE from the Faculty of Sciences from the University of Lisbon under the scientific supervision of Professor Manuel Curto.
8. **Fellowship duration:** This position is initially opened for 6 months and will begin on February 2022.
9. **Monthly allowance:** The fellowship amounts to € 1104.64, according to [table values](#) of the FCiências.ID Fellowship Regulation.. 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 the quality of their CV 30% and previous experience 70%.

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11. **Selection Committee:** Manuel Curto (President), Filipe Ribeiro (member); Ana Veríssimo (member); Judite Alves (substitute member).
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 12nd of January of 2022 to 24st of January of 2022 .
14. **Application:** Applications should be sent via e-mail to macurto@fc.ul.pt, by attaching the following documents:
 - a. Curriculum vitae - **CV may be provided in PDF or through the [CIÊNCIAVITAE](#) system;**
 - b. Certificate of completion of previous degree;
 - c. Motivation letter
15. **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

Note 1: The documents that prove the entitlement of the academic qualifications and diplomas, or the proof of registration in the academic degree or diploma requested on the call, can be dismissed during the application period and replaced by a declaration on their honour from the applicant. 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>.