



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

1 Research Fellowship (for researchers with Master Degree)

One Master research Fellowship is open at the **Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa**, at the project Invisible links: unveiling origins of migratory waders using biogeochemical markers/CESAM-UA & CIBIO-UP & UIEE-ISPA, PTDC/MAR/119920/2010, financed by national funds by FCT / MEC (PIDDAC) under the “Programme All Scientific Domains”, under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Biological Sciences
2. **Requirements for admission:** Master Degree in Biological Sciences or related areas. Candidates with previous expertise in performing fieldwork with autonomy and with the possibility of using their own vehicle are preferred. Ringing experience and experience in bird identification (namely shorebirds) are also criteria for preference. Research work will include an important field component, and the candidate should have availability to work in hard conditions for long periods, far from their residence area (possibly outside the country) and often in non-standard schedules.
3. **Work plan:** The main goals of the research project are related with the ecology of shorebirds in estuarine environments. The tasks will involve: i) participation in ringing sessions and bird sampling; ii) participation in the sampling of estuarine biota, namely water, sediment, plants, invertebrates, etc; iii) participation in bird census; iv) participation in data compilation and data analysis; v) participation in laboratory work, namely invertebrate identification and sample preparation for stable isotope analysis; vi) participation in bird captive experiments in Monsanto. Fieldwork will be carried mainly at the Tagus estuary (Lisboa), but there may be a need for participation in work in western Africa (Guinea-Bissau or Mauritania). The candidate will be mostly based at the Museu Nacional de História Natural e da Ciência and/or Faculty of Sciences, University of Lisbon. More information on the research project is available at <https://sites.google.com/site/migratagis/Home/projects-1/invisible-links>.
4. **Legislation framework:** A fellowship contract will be celebrated according to the regulations defined by FCT “Regulations for Advanced Training and Qualification of Human Resources”, 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 29 January, and Decree-Law No. 89/2013 of 9 July; Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P. Fellowships Regulation of 2013.
5. **Place of work:** The candidate will be based at Museu Nacional de História Natural e da Ciência and/or Faculty of Sciences, University of Lisbon, under the scientific guidance of Dr. Teresa Catry, Dr. José Pedro Granadeiro and Dr. Pedro Lourenço.
6. **Fellowship duration:** This position is initially opened for 3 months and will begin on the 1st of December 2013. The grant contract may be renewed to more 4 months, until one total duration the 7 months, depending on the performance of the candidate and the development of the project.
7. **Monthly allowance:** The fellowship amounts to €980 according to table values of the scholarships awarded directly by the FCT, IP. (<http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores>).
The grant holder 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 Código dos Regimes Contributivos do Sistema Previdencial de Segurança Social.
The scholarships will be paid monthly by bank transfer



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8. **Selection method:** Candidates will be assessed by the quality of their CV (50%) and expertise in the scientific area of the project (including fieldwork and ringing experience; 50%); if necessary, an interview will be conducted to evaluate top-ranked candidates (with a weighing factor of 30% in the final classification).
9. **Selection Committee:** President: Dr. Teresa Catry; Vowels: Dr. José Pedro Granadeiro and Dr. Pedro Lourenço; Substitute: Dr. José Alves
10. **Publication/notification of results:** The final results of the evaluation will become public, through an ordered list by final classification which will be posted at the entrance hall of the **Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa**, located at the Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, C1 bldg – 3rd floor, Campo Grande, 1749-016 Lisboa, and the selected candidate will be notified by e-mail.
11. **Deadlines:** This call for applications is open from 20 October to 15 November 2013.
12. **Application:** Applications may be sent via e-mail to teresa.catry@gmail.com, by attaching the following documents: *Curriculum vitae* (including classification of academic degrees; maximum 4 pages) and motivation letter (including information on the possibility of using own vehicle; maximum 2 pages).