

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

1 (one) Research Fellowship (BI) for BSc 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 “ Appui au renforcement des capacités et opérationnalisation du Laboratoire National des Sols en Guinée-Bissau”, FAO-TCP/GBS3801/2022/017, financed by FAO, under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Biology/Agronomy
2. **Requirements for admission:** Candidates may have Portuguese or foreign nationality and must hold a degree in the area of Biological or Agricultural Sciences.
3. **Additional optional skills and qualifications:** Preference will be given to candidates with training and experience in soil science and who speak fluent English and Guinea-Bissau Creole. Experience in training/teaching activities in the area of agricultural soil analysis in Guinea-Bissau will be valued, as well as project management and preparation of technical reports in the area of agriculture and the environment. Experience and availability to carry out field work in Guinea-Bissau will be valued.
4. **Contracting requirements:** Presentation of the academic qualifications and/or diplomas. Enrollment in non-degree course developed in association or cooperation between a High Education Institution and one or multiple research unit, at the Faculty of Sciences of the University of Lisbon (FCUL) or at the Higher Institute of Agronomy of the University of Lisbon (ISA).
5. **Work plan:** The scholarship to be awarded is intended for a 6-months internship within the scope of the above-mentioned project which aims to support the implementation of biological/biodiversity analyses of soils in the national laboratory of soils in Guinea-Bissau. The selected student will be trained on procedures to analyse soil biology/biodiversity: protocols, methodologies and report of results.
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 Plant Functional Genomics Unit from BioISI, Faculty of Sciences, University of Lisbon under the scientific supervision of Professor Mónica Sebastiana.
8. **Fellowship duration:** This position is initially opened for 6 months and due to start in July 2023. The fellowship contract may be potentially renewed, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation of Research Fellowships from the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P and FCIências.ID Fellowship Regulation.
9. **Monthly allowance:** The fellowship amounts to € 930,98, 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*.



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The fellowship will be paid monthly by bank transfer

Additionally, the research fellowship may eventually include tuition fee support and/or a single travel and installation allowance.

10. **Evaluation and selection process:** Candidates will be assessed by Curriculum evaluation - 50%; Experience in soil analysis - 20%; Fieldwork experience in Guinea-Bissau - 10%; Experience as a trainer - 10%; Motivation letter - 10%.

Applicants whose application is scored with a final classification of less than 50 points are not eligible for granting a fellowship.

11. **Selection Committee:** President of the jury: Mónica Sebastiana (FCUL, BioISI); Effective members: Filipa Monteiro (ISA, LEAF) e Luís Catarino (FCUL, cE3c); Alternate members: Erika Santos (ISA, LEAF) e Manuela Abreu (ISA, LEAF).

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 04/04/2023 to 14/04/2023 .

14. **Application:** Applications should be sent via e-mail to mgsebastiana@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. Letter of motivation, demonstrating the interest and ability to carry out the proposed work.

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>.

