

#### #3924

### Public Notice - International Selection Procedure

# Recruitment of a Science Communicator with a PhD Degree

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**FCiências.ID - Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento de Ciências,** through its Chairman of the Board of Directors, hereby announces the opening of an international call for the recruitment of a Science Communicator with a PhD degree, in the framework of the multiannual funding program contract of the Centre for Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Changes (cE3c), Programatic funding (Ref. UIDP/00329/2020), financed by Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P./MCTES through national funds (PIDDAC), in the form of an indefinite duration fixed-term employment contract on an exclusive regime, according to the Portuguese Labour Code and Decree-Law No. 57/2016, of August 29<sup>th</sup>, as amended by Law No. 57/2017, of July 19<sup>th</sup>.

### I. Admission Requirements

Portuguese nationals, foreign and stateless persons may submit applications to this selection procedure, provided they hold a doctoral degree<sup>1</sup> in Biology, Environment, Food Engineering, Communication Sciences or similar areas, and fully comply with the following requirements:

- a) The PhD must have been granted at least 5 years ago;
- b) Proven experience in strategic communication and dissemination of science in the fields of Biodiversity, Environment and Agrifood/Forestry;
- c) Experience with the organization and objectives of the research units of the national scientific system:
- d) Experience in Science and Technology management, particularly in international cooperation processes, strategic initiatives, consortia and thematic networks and organization of reference information (preparation of reports and presentations), its circulation and dissemination within the scope of specific working groups and research units of the national scientific system;
- e) Experience in organizing scientific and dissemination events and initiatives in national and international contexts;
- f) Experience in preparing national and international proposals in competitive calls and monitoring the management of financed projects, namely in the preparation of evaluation reports;
- g) Scientific experience in the Centre's areas of activity, demonstrated by publications in scientific journals, specialist journals or other media;
- h) Proficiency in Portuguese and English, particularly in scientific writing information provided on the CV.

# **II. Preferential Requirements**

Preference will be given, therefore not being an exclusion criterion, to candidates who have:

- a) Flexibility to work on multidisciplinary public, national and international projects;
- b) Leadership, organizational and analytical capacity to implement and manage projects and motivational capacity to embrace new challenges;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that Degrees obtained in foreign countries need a Portuguese Recognition issued by a Portuguese high degree Institution, according to the <u>Decree-Law nr. 66/2018</u>, of August 16<sup>th</sup> and the <u>Ministerial Order nr. 33/2019</u>, of January 25<sup>th</sup>. The presentation of such Recognition is mandatory for contract signature. More information can be obtained in: <a href="https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition">https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition</a>.



c) Relationship capacity with other national and international private and scientific institutions of a public nature.

### III. Applicable Law

- 1. Decree-Law No. 57/2016, of August 29<sup>th</sup> (RCD), in the wording conferred on it by Law No. 57/2017. of July 19<sup>th</sup> (RCD):
- 2. Portuguese Labour Code, as approved by Law No. 7/2009, of February 12<sup>th</sup>, in its current version (CT);
- 3. Regulatory Decree No. 11-A/2017, of December 29<sup>th</sup>;
- 4. Administrative Procedure Code, as published in Decree-Law No. 4/2015, of January 7<sup>th</sup>, in its current version (CPA).

#### IV. Work Plan

The work plan aims to ensure coordination, organization and functioning of cE3c Communication Office. The activities to be developed focus on the strategic organization, dissemination and communication of science, namely:

- 1) Dissemination of scientific activity (including advanced training and provision of services to society) of the cE3c:
- 2) Establishment of contacts with the different media;
- 3) Production of content for different media, including the R&D Unit's website and the respective newsletter;
- 4) Periodic updating of the R&D Unit's website and the management of its social networks;
- 5) Organization of national and international events and initiatives;
- 6) Support in national and/or international applications and in fundraising activities;
- 7) Support for the realization of proposals, executive summaries and reports of the R&D Unit.

# V. Composition of the Jury

In accordance to article 13 of the RCD, the members of the jury are:

- President Cristina Maria Filipe Máguas Silva Hanson;
- 1st Member of the jury Rui Miguel Borges Sampaio e Rebelo;
- 2nd Member of the jury Tiago Capela Lourenço;
- 1st Alternate Member of the jury Maria Gabriela Rodrigues;
- 2nd Alternate Member of the jury Margarida Maria Demony de Carneiro Pacheco de Matos.

### VI. Place of work

Work will be developed at the facilities of Research Center cE3c – Centre for Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Changes, in Faculty of Sciences of the University of Lisbon, C2 Building, Floor 5, Campo Grande, Lisbon, Portugal, and occasionally at the Field Station of the Center, Herdade da Ribeira Abaixo, in Grândola, and in any other installation that results from the participation of cE3c in the Associated Laboratory CHANGE.

#### **VII. Contract Duration**

The full-time indefinite duration fixed-term employment contract is expected to start on July 2022, and will last until the Work Plan referred to in section IV is completed. It will have an expected duration until 31/12/2023, will not exceed the limits set in the RCD, including an initial experimental trial period of 30 days.



### VIII. Monthly Allowance

The gross monthly salary corresponds to the position 1 of Assistant Researcher, being 3.230,21 Euros, on an exclusive regime, as stipulated in article 15 of the RCD, plus holiday and Christmas allowances, as well as food allowance in the amount and conditions set out for workers with a legal employment relationship under the Labour Code.

### IX. Evaluation of applications

- Failure to comply with the Admission Requirements implies the non-admission of candidates in absolute merit.
- 2. According to article 5 of the RCD, the selection of the candidates approved in absolute merit will rely on the evaluation of their scientific and curricular achievements in the last five years, taking into consideration the quality and relevance of the scientific production, and the professional activity indicated as more relevant by the candidate, for the project.
- 3. Based on the assessment of the candidates' scientific and curricular background in the last 5 years, each member of the jury presents a justified proposal for admission (final classification equal to or greater than 75%) or exclusion (final classification below 75%) for each candidate, according to the evaluation criteria referred to in paragraph 5.
- 4. The final classification of candidates is given on a scale of 0 to 100%.
- 5. Evaluation of the relative merit of candidates, will rely on the following criteria:
  - a) Curriculum Vitae 40%;
  - b) Demonstration of experience with the organization and objectives of research units of the national scientific system 20%;
  - Demonstration of experience with scientific dissemination to different audiences and/or press offices - 20%;
  - d) Experience with digital content and social networks 20%;
  - e) Interview, if deemed necessary by the jury 10%.
- 6. The jury may decide to interview the three best ranked candidates [in criteria a) to d) of paragraph 5)], for clarifications and improved explanations of curricular elements. If there is an interview, the sum of the classification obtained in the evaluation criteria a) to d) will correspond to 90% of the final classification and the interview will correspond to 10%.
- 7. The jury shall deliberate by means of a roll-call vote based on the evaluation criteria.
- 8. Minutes of the jury meetings are drawn up, summarizing all relevant elements considered by jury members, as well as their individual votes and justifications.
- After completion of the evaluation process, the jury will draw up a ranking of successful candidates with their classifications.
- 10. Hiring will be decided by the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID, based on the final jury recommendation.
- 11. The evaluation results will be published on the website of the FCiências.ID ("Concursos" tab). The candidates will be individually notified of the evaluation results by e-mail sent to the address indicated in the "Personal Data" section of the submitted form.
- 12. With the notification referred to in paragraph 11, the hearing phase of interested parties referred to in Article 121 *et seq.* of the CPA will begin, and last for ten working days.



- 13. The possible pronouncement of the candidate in a prior hearing must be addressed to the President of the jury and submitted in writing to <a href="mailto:concursos@fciencias-id.pt">concursos@fciencias-id.pt</a>. The President of the jury will convene a jury's meeting to produce the final decision, within thirty working days.
- 14. Within five working days of the final jury decision, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID will approve it and the candidates will be notified.
- 15. The communication between FCiências.ID (<a href="mailto:concursos@fciencias-id.pt">concursos@fciencias-id.pt</a>) and the candidates will be electronic and will comply with the following rules:
  - a) At the time of electronic submission of any document namely in the case of paragraph no 12 the candidates must generate proof of "sent message".
  - b) FCiências.ID will send an email message acknowledging documents received to the email address used by the candidates, within two working days.
  - c) In case of absence of a confirmation receipt by FCiências.ID showing the possibility of technical problems that should neither be the responsibility of the candidate nor FCiências.ID the candidates should contact FCiências.ID, with the proof referred to in point (a), to ensure delivery and proper receipt of the documents concerned.

### X. Compliance with public policies

- 1. FCiências.ID actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no candidate can be privileged, benefited, disadvantaged or deprived of any right or exempt from any duty due to, inter alia, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, economic situation, education, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological beliefs and trade union membership.
- 2. Under the terms of D.L. No. 29/2001, of February 3, a disabled candidate has a preference in equal classification, which prevails over any other legal preference. Candidates must declare their respective degree of disability, the type of disability and the means of communication / expression to be used in the selection process, under the terms of the above-mentioned diploma.

### XI. Submission of Applications

- 1. The present call will be open from 26<sup>th</sup> May to 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022.
- 2. The application and all the required documents may be submitted in Portuguese or English.
- 3. Applications will be submitted online, through the electronic platform of FCiências.ID (<a href="http://concursos.fciencias-id.pt">http://concursos.fciencias-id.pt</a>).
- 4. On the electronic platform, applicants will complete a *mandatory* section on Personal Data [name, address, date of birth, contact email, nationality and scientific identifiers] and upload files with the documents listed below:
  - Detailed curriculum vitae mandatory CV may be provided in PDF format or through the CIÊNCIAVITAE system;
  - ii. A motivation letter clearly demonstrating that the candidate has an adequate profile for the position and fully complies with the Admission Requirements mandatory;



- iii. Digital copies of documents proving formal academic degrees (PhD) and/or other scientific and professional qualifications original documents must be provided in case of actual recruitment *mandatory*;
- iv. Other documents that candidates consider relevant for the assessment of their scientific merit, or to declare the personal situation in the cases covered in section X-2 of this Notice *optional*.
- 5. By decision of the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID, candidates who do not submit the documents identified in paragraph 4 will not be admitted to the call. In case of doubts, the Chairman may also invite candidates to substantiate specific data or statements with official supporting documents, before accepting the candidates' submission.

This Public Note was approved by the jury on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022.