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**MED - MEDITERRANEAN INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT**

**SCHOLARSHIP FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREE – 1 VACANCY**

**4th of September of 2023**

A call for tenders is open for 1 Scholarship (Bachelor's Degree), within the scope of the project *Zimbral for Life – preserving the Coastal dunes with juniper* (LIFE21 NAT/PT/101074592), project co-financed by the LIFE program of the European Commission, under the following conditions:

**Scientific area:** Biology

**Admission requirements:**

The candidate will only be admitted if he/she meets all of the following requirements:

- 1) Bachelor's degree in Biology;
- 2) Knowledge in habitats of European interest, including habitats' mapping;
- 3) Knowledge and proven experience in works related with habitat 2250\*, particularly with *Juniperus navicularis* communities;
- 4) Knowledge in spatial analysis and dendrochronology;
- 5) Declare to have agility and physical robustness for field work;
- 6) Have a valid driving license;
- 7) Declare that inhabit (or willing to) in Évora region;
- 8) Declare that are available to do field work for several days in the areas of the SAC's Comporta Galé, Costa Vicentina and Castro Marim;
- 9) Submission of a *Curriculum vitae* (which contains all the information necessary to carry out the admission and selection of the candidate) and respective academic/training certificates, all compiled in a single document (pdf).
- 10) Portuguese as a native language.

As set forth FCT Research Scholarship Regulation No. 950/2019 of December 16, 2019, article 3 and 6, candidates for "BI" (Research Grants) must comply as a rule condition for the award of the scholarship, the effective inclusion in study cycles leading to the attribution of academic degrees or in courses not leading to an academic degree. Courses that do not confer an academic degree correspond to the courses provided for in subparagraph e) of paragraph 3 of article 4 of Decree-Law No. 74/2006 of 24 March and must be developed in a higher education institution in association with at least one I&D unit, including a course plan in one or several research areas of the unit.

**Work plan:**

The work plan is part of the *Zimbral for Life* Project and includes:

- Field data collection within the monitoring of the characteristic flora of dune junipers;
- Support in studies to be done about biology/ecology of *Juniperus navicularis*;
- Support in mapping habitats in Project's intervention areas;
- Support in report writing;

This plan encompasses the following project tasks:

- T2.1. Characterization of the reference situation
- T5.1. Testing and defining monitoring protocols
- T5.2. Monitoring the impact of management interventions



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**Applicable legislation and regulations:** The granting of the Research Scholarship will be carried out upon the signing of a contract between the University of Évora and the scholarship holder, as set in the template [former.fct.pt/apoios/Minuta\\_Contrato\\_Bolsa.docx](https://files.dre.pt/2s/2019/12/241000000/0009100105.pdf), pursuant to the Research Scholarship Statute (Law No. 40/2004 of August 18 and Decree-Law No. 123/2019 of August 28) and in accordance with the legislation and Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, IP in force, regulation nº950/2019 of December 16, 2019: <https://files.dre.pt/2s/2019/12/241000000/0009100105.pdf> and other applicable rules.

**Place of work:** The work will be developed at the Department of Landscape, Environment and Planning (School of Science and Technology - University of Évora) and in the Project intervention areas (SAC Comporta Galé, Costa Vicentina and Castro Marim), under the scientific guidance of Professor Catarina Meireles.

**Duration of the scholarship(s):** The scholarship will have a duration of 6 months, starting on October of 2023. The scholarship contract may be renewed until the end of *Zimbral for Life* project.

**Amount of monthly maintenance allowance:** The amount of the scholarship corresponds to €930,98, according to the table of scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in Portugal ([https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM\\_2023.pdf](https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM_2023.pdf)), payments being made monthly, by check or bank transfer.

**Selection methods:** The selection will be made based on the *Curriculum vitae*, with weighted valuation, giving preference to candidates who have proven experience in work done with Portuguese dune junipers and dendrochronology. The evaluation will be based on a scoring system between 4 and 1 points (4= Excellent; 3= Good; 2= Fair; 1= Questionable), assigned to each of the first four admission requirements mentioned above.

There may be a face-to-face interview if considered necessary, particularly for tiebreaker. If an interview is used, the evaluation elements will be assessed as follows:

- curricular assessment (60%)
- interview (40%)

**Composition of the Selection Jury:**

President – Professor Carlos Pinto Gomes  
1st Effective – Professor Catarina Meireles  
2nd Effective – Doctor Cristina Baião  
1st Alternate – Professor António Pedro Santos  
1nd Alternate – Doctor Luís Portugal Ferreira

**Advertising/notification of results:** The final results of the evaluation will be published, through a list ordered by final grade obtained, posted in a visible and public place in the Department of Landscape, Environment and Planning (School of Science and Technology - University of Évora), with the approved candidate being notified through e-mail. Under the terms of the right of prior hearing of interested parties, the Final Classification project will be announced by any written means to all interested parties.

After communicating the provisional list of evaluation results, candidates have a period of 10 working days to, if they wish, make their comments at a prior hearing of interested parties.

**Application deadline and submission of applications:** The tender is open from 15th of September to 29th of September of 2023 and the results of the selection will be published by 6th of October of 2023.



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For the purposes of application, the evidence may be replaced by a declaration of honor signed by the candidate, but the failure to demonstrate that evidence, in the contracting phase, possession of the required degree on the deadline for application or the non-presentation of proof of enrollment in the study cycle or non-degree course, for scholarships with this component, imply the cancellation of the candidate's application.

Applications must be formalized, obligatorily, by sending an application letter with the following documents: Curriculum Vitae, certificate of qualifications, motivation letter with a declaration of compliance with all the admission criteria indicated in the notice and other supporting documents considered relevant.

Academic degrees obtained in foreign countries require registration by a Portuguese Institution in accordance with Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16 and Ordinance No. 33/2019, of January 25th.

The presentation of the certificate is mandatory for the signing of the contract. More information can be obtained at: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/recognition?plid=374>

Applications must be sent by email (with annexes in pdf format) to:

Secretariado do Departamento de Paisagem, Ambiente e Ordenamento da Universidade de Évora  
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