

**2014 Call for Applications for  
Doctoral Scholarships  
In the framework of IDPASC Portugal  
(Doctoral Programme in Particle Physics,  
Astrophysics and Cosmology)  
PD/00024/2013**



**FCT** Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia  
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## Terms of the call

In the framework of the Doctoral Programme FCT IDPASC Portugal, the network IDPASC opens a call for applications to:

- **PhD Scholarships** for thesis subjects proposed by IDPASC researchers and taking place in Universidade de Lisboa, Universidade do Porto, Universidade de Évora, Universidade de Coimbra and Universidade do Minho in the following fields:
  - Particle Physics;
  - Astrophysics;
  - Cosmology.

The grants will be awarded directly by FCT to the students. Thus, under the Estatuto do Bolseiro de Investigação Científica, approved by Law no. 40/2004 of 18th August, in its current wording, and Regulamento de Bolsas da Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, the IDPASC Portugal Scientific Committee launches a tender for the selection of grantees to award individual grants.

The PhD Scholarships will not begin before the 1st January 2015.

### 1. Recipients Grant

The duration of the grant is annual, renewable up to a maximum of four years. It can not be awarded for periods less than six consecutive months.

Applicants follow the procedures detailed in:

[http://www.idpasc.lip.pt/LIP/thesis\\_program/index.php?opt=5](http://www.idpasc.lip.pt/LIP/thesis_program/index.php?opt=5)

Recipients are nationals or citizens of other member states of the European Union; citizens of Third States, holders of valid residence permit or beneficiaries of the status of long-term resident, according to the Law no. 23/2007 of July 4<sup>th</sup>, amended by the Law no. 29/2012, of August 9<sup>th</sup>; citizens of Third States with which Portugal has

entered into reciprocal agreements, or citizens of third states, which are considered selectable after an individual interview.

## 2. Period of the Call

The call will be open from 21<sup>st</sup> July to the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

## 3. Applications

### Application submission

Applications must be submitted electronically through  
<http://www.idpasc.lip.pt/portugal>

and have the following steps:

### Instructions for Applicants

The applicants consult the proposed thesis themes and, in case of interest (and after register and logging in at IDPASC), must apply to the theme submitting the Curriculum Vitae, three reference letters from Professors or researchers with a PhD (uploaded directly by the Professor/Researcher), a motivation letter (and any other document the candidate may consider relevant to the assessment of the merit mentioned in the CV). Click Apply in the thesis themes. An e-mail will be sent both to the applicant and to the supervisor. Applicants should contact the supervisor of the thesis theme.

Applicants must then be confirmed by the supervisor.

After being selected by the Supervisor:

The applicant should apply to the grant through the My Thesis (LINK) section providing the following documents:

- Application form\*
- Working Programme\*
- Applicant's CV
- Supervisors CV
- (up to) 3 reference letters
- Letter of application to Diretor of the Programme declaring awareness and acceptance of the rules in the Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da FCT, IP
- Students Declaration confirming that he is aware and complies with the eligibility criteria of the IDPASC-Portugal PhD Programme and with the University which will grant him/her the PhD degree (namely with the registration deadlines of the University in their doctoral programmes).
- Any other document the candidate may consider relevant to the assessment of merit mentioned in the CV

\*forms provided by IDPASC-Portugal on-line





## 5. Announcement

The results of the evaluation will be announced by email addressed to the applicants, using the email address associated with the grant application, and will be made public in the IDPASC Portugal website.

In case of a negative decision on the requested grant, the applicant has (according with the Administrative Procedure Code) a period of 10 days after disclosure, to be heard in a preliminary hearing. The following final decision made by the Selection Committee may be appealed within 15 working days after the respective announcement.

*Grants final approval is conditioned to the admission of the candidate by the Institution granting the academic degree.*

## 6. Funding

The grants awarded under this contract will be financed by FCT.

All missing aspects from this Call will follow the Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação Científica da FCT, IP available at:

<http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/regulamento.phtml.en>

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