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## Call for Application

### Research Fellowship

The Centre for Social Studies (CES) – Associate Laboratory - University of Coimbra (Portugal), opens a call for applications for 1 research fellowship (Master degree – Bolsa de Investigação) in the project ***The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union 'in action'*** (Grant Agreement no.: JUST/2015/JTRA/AG/EJTR/8707), funded by the European Commission, through the Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, and coordinated by José Manuel Pureza.

CES provides a stimulating intellectual environment in the domain of social sciences and humanities. The project will be hosted at the DECIDE – Research Group on Democracy, Citizenship and Law, which has focused its activity on questions such as the access to justice, its articulation with democracy, legal theory and practices.

The project will be also associated with the Permanent Observatory for Portuguese Justice (OPJ), whose researchers' work has focused on the reform legal system, and in the development of public policies targeting the judicial system at large.

#### a. Project Description:

The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (CFR) reinforced the framework of the fundamental rights at the European space. However, its implementation and application is confronted with different judicial cultures and practices and the knowledge on the scope and the concrete implications of CFR rights among judicial actors are not strongly settle, although the crucial role played by these actors in its implementation. This project, combining theoretical lectures with practical workshops (on-site/classroom training and eLearning), aims develop a sustainable training program and provide to the participants (judges, public prosecutors and lawyers) the opportunities to:

- Development and increase of knowledge on the scope and concrete implication of CFR
- Facilitate the exchange of best practices
- Elaborate a Training Manual to support the organization of future training programs in all European Members State
- Design a Best Practice Manual ready-to-use by judicial actors
- Build a sustainable information web network to deliver training materials, case law, and to share experiences and practices on the CFR application

**b. Scientific field:** Social Sciences

#### c. Admission requirements and criteria, and their evaluation weighting:

1. A completed Master degree (MA) in a field of Social Sciences, relevant to the project (25%);
2. Relevant research experience in the field of Justice and Fundamental Rights (35%);

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3. Documented experience in preparing and implementing training programmes,(on site and and e-learning) particularly in the area of Justice and/or Socio-legal studies (30%);
4. Proficiency in English and good knowledge of Portuguese (10%);

#### **d. Work plan:**

The selected researcher is expected to contribute to the implementation of the project's scientific tasks, as well as to support any activities associated with the project's general goals. Especially, the selected researcher will be asked to:

- Support management and coordination activities, including preparation of coordination meetings, drafting of technical reports and support to management of an online communication platform;
- Support to the analysis of the results of a survey to assess training needs amongst judicial stakeholders concerning the CFR;
- Support to elaboration of training guidelines and exchange workshops structure;
- Support to the organization of training programs (E-learning and on-site) for judges, public prosecutors and lawyers and of exchange workshops.

#### **e. Applicable Legislation and Regulations:**

Portuguese Law nº 40/2004, of 18 August (Scientific Research Fellow Statute) and following amendments; FCT's (National Agency for Science and Technology) Regulations for Advanced Training and Qualification of Human Resources 2015 (<http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/regulamento.phtml.en>), and Regulations for Fellowships at the Centre for Social Studies (<http://www.ces.uc.pt/oportunidades/documentos/Regulamento de Bolsas CES 2008.pdf>).

#### **f. Work place:**

The tasks will be performed at the Centre for Social Studies facilities or in other locations when necessary for the good implementation of the work plan, under the scientific supervision of the Principal Investigator.

#### **g. Duration of the fellowship contract:**

The fellowship will last 12 months, starting in April 2017. The fellowship contract may be extended for equal or different time periods, until the end of the project, depending on the project's need and financial provisions, and on the Principal Investigator's assessment of the fellow's performance.

#### **h. Monthly allowance:**

The monthly stipend is 1.250 euros, based on a full-time position (35 hours per week) and according with the Regulations for Fellowships at the Centre for Social Studies. The payment of the Voluntary Social Insurance and the Personal Accident Insurance adds up to this amount.

#### **i. Selection process:**

Applicants will be selected based on their curricular evaluation. In case of equivalent curricular evaluations, the best positioned applicants should be short-listed for an interview, meant to assess the applicant's potential in integrating the project scientific dynamic and his/her motivation in pursuing studies related to the project's thematic areas.

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## **j. Selection panel:**

- José Manuel Pureza (President)
- Conceição Gomes (permanent member)
- João Paulo Dias (permanent member)
- Luca Verzelloni (permanent member)

## **k. Communication of Results:**

All candidates will receive the results by email. The meeting minutes of the selection panel will become available publicly.

## **l. Application deadline:**

Open on: March 1, 2017

Deadline: March 22, 2017

## **m. Application process:**

Applications must include:

- a) a letter of intent/motivation in English;
- b) the detailed Curriculum Vitae;
- c) copies of degree certificates and other relevant documents for eligibility purposes;

The applications can be handed personally, at CES' facilities, or sent by postal mail, with stamp due until the final deadline, to the following address, with clear indication of the reference of this call and the name of the applicant:

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