

## Public Notice

### Post-Doctoral Researcher (1 vacancy)

The Centre for Social Studies (CES) – Associate Laboratory - University of Coimbra (Portugal), opens a call for applications for 1 post-Doctoral researcher in the project «YOUTHRESPONSE - Young adult offenders: criminal law and judicial response» (reference PTDC/DIR-DCP/29163/2017), financed by Portuguese funds through FCT - Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, coordinated by PhD João Pedroso.

CES provides a stimulating intellectual environment in the domain of social sciences and humanities. The project YOUTHRESPONSE is part of the Research Group about democracy, citizenship and law – DECIDE. The research group focus is on the ongoing reforms in the judicial systems, the judicial innovation and the formulation of policies, engaging law, sociology, psychology, economics, and political science, among other areas of knowledge, in a dialogue.

#### Links:

CES: [www.ces.uc.pt](http://www.ces.uc.pt)

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#### a. Project Description

Project title: YOUTHRESPONSE - Young adult offenders: criminal law and judicial response

The Research Project aims to understand how the Portuguese legal and judicial system responds to young adults offenders under the special criminal law regime for young adults aged between 16 and 21. Namely to assess: 1) the Portuguese responses defined by criminal law and justice in its relations with European legislation and criminal policy recommendations and 2) the articulation (or not) of this special regime with the Portuguese Juvenile Law (12/15 years) and the general Criminal Law. 3) To understand how and why this special regime is applied (or not), characterizing the selected young adults in socio-demographic terms, individual paths and patterns of criminal behavior and sanctions and measures applied (prison, in community and educational). 4) To promote knowledge transfer between researchers and judicial/non-judicial professionals and policy-makers, contributing to a more inclusive criminal policy and justice, which respond to the special needs of these young adults.

Expected duration of the project execution: 36 months, from October 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

#### b. Scientific field: Social Sciences

#### c. Work plan, tasks:

The researcher should be available to work mainly at Lisbon, willing to travel occasionally in the country and abroad. He/she should be committed to the implementation of the work plan, contributing to the achievement of the scientific goals, dissemination and impact objectives, and effective management. The researcher to be hired will have to perform tasks independently and contribute to the teamwork of the project, namely:

- Identify, collect, analyse and synthesize relevant bibliography within the project area;

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- Collect and analyse quantitative data on the phenomena of young adult crime;
- Collect and analyse quantitative and qualitative data and other information produced; write analysis and synthesis results for research reports and other publications;
- Support researchers in contacts, communications and task planning, including team management;
- Contribute to scientific indicators: writing and publication of results in national and international publications in Portuguese and English, participation in national and international conferences;
- Support scientific management, namely: managing publication processes; support in the scientific organization of events; support team meetings; organize and collaborate on dissemination and impact actions, including the development of content for the website and social networks, among others;

#### **d. Preferred selection criteria and their weighting:**

Applicants must demonstrate expertise on the topic of the project, by fulfilling the following criteria:

1. PhD degree in sociology, in a topic relevant to the project such as young adult crime, youth culture and criminal law and justice (25%);
2. Experience in qualitative and quantitative methodologies applied in social sciences and documentary and statistical analysis, with the use of software such as MAXQDA and SPSS (25%)
3. Research experience relevant to the themes of the project and motivation to pursue research on them, being an added value the working experience with vulnerable populations (20%);
4. Scientific publications relevant to the project themes (15%);
5. Proficient domain of Portuguese and English (15%).

#### **e. Applicants**

The tender accepts applications from national, foreign and stateless people who have a doctoral degree in Social Sciences or Humanities. Candidates must also have a professional and scientific curriculum indicative of a profile that fits the activity plan for the available position. If the doctorate was awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it has to follow Law no. 341/2007 of the 12th October, and any formalities provided therein must be fulfilled until the date of signing the contract.

#### **f. Applicable legislation and regulations:**

The doctorate will be hired under Law no. 57/2016, 29th August, altered by Law 57/2017 which approves a doctoral hiring regime with a view to boosting scientific and technological employment in all areas of knowledge (RJEC). The hiring will also be governed by the Labour Code approved by Law no. 7/2009 of the 12th February, as currently worded.

#### **g. Work place**

The work place is the Centre for Social Studies' facilities in Coimbra, and/or other locations as required by the work plan, under the scientific supervision of the Principal Investigator, Dr. João Pedroso.



## **h. Duration of the contract**

The employment contract will be a temporary position (*termo incerto*) abiding by article 6, no. 1 b) Law no. 57/2016, 29<sup>th</sup> August, starting in December 2018.

## **i. Monthly salary:**

The monthly salary is set in accordance with the provisions in RJEC, article 15, no. 1, corresponding to level 33 of the single salary scale approved by Decree no. 1553-C/2008 of the 31<sup>st</sup> December, at 2,128.34 Euros gross.

## **j. Selection process:**

The applicants' selection will be carried out taking into account their scientific and curricular path. The assessment process includes, in case of applicants with an equal or very similar assessment, an interview with the applicants selected by the jury, in order to value the results of their research in its innovative content and relevance to the objectives and priority scientific areas at CES.

The jury reserves the right to not select applicants for the vacancy, if the applicants do not have the adequate quality and profile in terms of absolute merit. If carried out, the interview will weigh 10% over the whole assessment. The scale applied to each criterion is 0 to 20.

## **k. Selecting jury**

- João Pedroso (President, Project's PI)
- Patrícia Branco (Project's Co-PI)
- Paula Casaleiro (Researcher at CES)

## **l. Communication of Results:**

The final results of the evaluation will be communicated to all applicants by e-mail. The minutes of the selection process will be made available for public consultation in the facilities of the Centre for Social Studies.

## **m. Period for presenting the applications:**

Between September 21<sup>st</sup> and November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## **n. Application process:**

Applications must include:

- a) Presentation/Motivation letter sent by the applicant in English
- b) Full Curriculum Vitae;
- c) Copy of the qualification certificates and other relevant documents for eligibility purposes (it is mandatory to be holder of a PhD degree by the ending of the tender)
- d) Two publications (max.), preferably in English and Portuguese.

The applications must explicitly indicate the application reference and the vacancy they relate to, and they must be delivered in person at the Centre for Social Studies address during the application period, or sent by post with the stamp of the expedition date, until the last day of the application, to the following address:

Centro de Estudos Sociais  
Reference: CES/33/2018-PD  
A/C Doutor João Pedroso  
Colégio de S. Jerónimo  
Apartado 3087  
3000-995 Coimbra, Portugal

**o. Non-discrimination and equal access policy:**

The Centre for Social Studies actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no applicant can be privileged, beneficiated, harmed or deprived of any right or exemption from any duty due to ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, economic situation, education, origin or social condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic disease, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions and trade union membership.

**p.** The Centre for Social Studies approved all the terms included in this notice at the Board Meeting on Abril 11<sup>th</sup> 2018.

**q.** In accordance with Law no. 29/2001 of 3rd of February, applicants with disabilities have preference in case of equal classification, which prevails over any other legal preference. In the presentation letter, applicants must declare, on oath, their degree of disability, the type of disability and the means of communication/expression to be used in the process of selection, in accordance with the above mentioned law.

**r. Final remarks**

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