

Public Notice

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR A DOCTORATE RESEARCHER POSITION IN SOCIAL SCIENCES, ARTS OR HUMANITIES

a. Description of the application:

The University of Coimbra's Centre for Social Studies (Centro de Estudos Sociais - CES), Associate Laboratory (AL) by contract signed with the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT) on February 27th, 2002, opens applications, through the funding of this entity's Institutional Employment Programme, for one Doctorate Researcher on an exclusivity basis.

b. Scientific areas: Social Sciences, Arts or Humanities

c. Thematic description of the vacancy:

The candidate is expected to demonstrate, with their background and current research interests, a clear affinity with topics closely related to the lines of research of the Study Groups (<http://www.ces.uc.pt/nucleos/>), which are promoted by Centro de Estudos Sociais.

CES gives priority to candidates possessing established connections with research networks and showing an excellent record of published work in international journals and publishers of reference, in qualitative terms, a demonstrated ability to obtain funding for research projects. The organization of advanced academic and non-academic training and the promotion of outreach/dissemination activities are equally valued.

d. Preferential criteria and weighing:

1. Scientific and academic experience (25%),
2. Publication record (25%),
3. Ability to obtain funding for research projects (15%)
4. Advanced training and outreach/dissemination activities (15%)
5. Suitability of the academic profile to CES' goals and strategic guidelines (25%).

In case of candidates with very similar CVs being assessed, the trajectory registered within the last 5 years will be valued in 15%.

The best candidates, selected according to these criteria, will be assessed in an interview conducted at CES, aiming at ascertaining the perspective of integration into the Centre's scientific dynamics. The interview will weigh 10% of the final mark.

Holding a doctoral degree at the closing date for application is an absolute prerequisite.

e. Work to be developed:

The selected researcher, apart from his/her scientific research activities (which include leading applications for funding needed to carry out research projects), shall be available to participate in Doctoral Programmes and collaborate in outreach activities, as well as be in charge of some organisational and administrative support tasks within the institution, in accordance with CES' Regulation for Contracted Researchers.

f. Applicable law for the contract:

The hiring of the researcher with doctoral degree will be done under Law no. 57/2016 of August 29th, amended by Law 57/2017, which approves the hiring of individuals with a doctoral degree 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 (Código de Trabalho) approved by Law no. 7/2009 of February 12th, as currently worded.

g. Place of employment:

The work will be carried out at CES' facilities, in Coimbra, or in other places, as deemed necessary for the execution of the expected duties, according to the work plans previously approved by CES.

h. Duration of the contracts:

The contract will have a maximum duration of 6 years and is expected to start around the 1st September 2019. The contract can only be renewed, in accordance with the applicable labour laws, in case of alterations to the financing programme signed with Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia.

i. Nature of the contract and monthly salary:

a. The contract will be a contract with no fixed term, on an exclusivity basis, with a maximum duration of 6 years, in accordance with the financing contract-programme (Institutional Employment Programme) signed with the Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia.

b. The monthly salary is set in accordance with the provisions in article 15^o, no. 1, of Law no. 57/2017, corresponding to level 54 of the single salary scale approved by Decree no. 1553-C/2008 of December 31st, at 3,209.67 Euros illiquid.

j. Further complementary information:

The pre-selected candidates' travel expenses to attend the interview will be supported by CES, thought this might be done by Skype or a similar medium according to the decision issued by the jury.

The jury gathers and deliberates through nominal voting substantiated in accordance with the selection criteria adopted and announced. The minutes must contain an explanation of the criteria applied, as well as a ranked list of the approved candidates with their classification.

CES reserves the right to not fill the vacancy in case no candidate corresponds to the desired profile. CES promotes equal opportunities.

k. Selection Board:

- Boaventura de Sousa Santos – Centro de Estudos Sociais – President

- Adriana Bebianio – Centro de Estudos Sociais
- Paula Duarte Lopes – Centro de Estudos Sociais
- Cristiana Bastos – University of Lisbon's Social Sciences Institute
- João Teixeira Lopes – University of Porto's Faculty of Arts

l. Result notification:

The final results of the assessment will be communicated to all applicants by e-mail. The notification will include the minutes of the selection process signed by the board and the ranked list of applications.

m. Deadline for applications:

April 5th, 2019

n. Application delivery format:

The applications must include the candidate's presentation letter (explaining their interest and suitability to the scientific interests and activities at CES), a complete Curriculum Vitae and copy of the qualification certificates, as well as a copy of the publications they consider most relevant from the past five years. The applications must be delivered in person at the address of Centro de Estudos Sociais 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:

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About the Centre for Social Studies (Centro de Estudos Sociais - CES)

The University of Coimbra's Centre for Social Studies is a scientific institution dedicated to research and advanced training in social sciences and humanities, using an inter and transdisciplinary approach. Since its foundation, in 1978, CES has been conducting research with and for an inclusive, innovative and reflexive society by promoting creative critical approaches in the face of some of the most urging challenges of contemporary societies. Its goal is to continue engaging generations of exceptionally talented researchers and students in the field of Social Sciences.

CES scientific strategy aims to democratize knowledge, revitalize human rights and contribute to the establishment of science as a public commodity. We pursue this mission by continuously reshaping our research fields in a response to the needs of the society. Our work covers a wide range of scientific and outreach activities, at a national and international level, with particular focus on the North-South and South-North dialogues, contributing to the development, dissemination and application of cutting-edge science and to an advanced research and training of excellence.

General Objectives

To foster innovative epistemologies and methodologies, contributing to the development of critical thinking and to the construction of tools to undertake critical analysis of society;

To stimulate an ecology of knowledges, acknowledging cultural diversity and articulating scientific knowledge with the knowledge produced by citizens and by social movements all over the world, at all levels of analysis – local, national, regional, international and global;

To strengthen international cooperation with diverse organizations based in different parts of the world;

To strengthen relations with the Global South, placing shared knowledge, mutual recognition and intercultural understanding at the forefront. Within this strategy, the Portuguese-speaking countries play a key role in promoting North-South and South-South dialogues;

To boost science in society and for society, broadening citizens' and civil society's engagement in scientific culture and revitalizing human rights, bearing social groups under oppression, discrimination and exclusion in mind;

To promote thematic Doctoral Programmes and advanced training activities at the cutting edge of the most pressing challenges for science;

To promote research on culture and the arts and conduct a critical assessment of the past in order to boost new ways of reflecting and self-reflecting on science, knowledge and society;

To support the formulation of public policies through the development of applied research across a wide range of areas that have an impact on the well-being of societies.