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## Call for applications – 1 (one) vacancy

### RESEARCH STUDENTSHIP

The Centre for Social Studies (CES) – Associate Laboratory - University of Coimbra (Portugal), opens a call for applications for **1** research studentship (CES/26/2024-BI-HABIPUB) in the project "HABIPUB – Integrated strategies and solutions for promoting public rental housing in Portugal [HABIPUB – Estratégias e soluções integradas para a promoção do arrendamento público em Portugal]", funded by the Portuguese Government, through Centre for Planning and Evaluation of Public Policies (PlanAPP), and coordinated by Ana Cordeiro Santos.

CES provides a stimulating intellectual environment in the domain of social sciences and humanities. The project is part of the research line (*Semi)peripheral Capitalism: Crises and Alternatives*, which brings together research on the main socio-economic transformations of capitalist societies over the last half-century, on the position of vulnerability of the peripheries and semi-peripheries, as well as on the unequal impacts that crises trigger.

#### a. Project Description:

*HABIPUB – Integrated strategies and solutions for promoting public rental housing in Portugal*

HABIPUB seeks to respond to one of the major social crises of our time: the growing inaccessibility of housing for young people and low-income groups. This situation results from the imbalance between rapidly rising housing prices and stagnant wages, a phenomenon widely documented in advanced capitalist economies. HABIPUB aims to identify financially sustainable and socially effective solutions to strengthen public rental housing in Portugal, contributing to the reconfiguration of the national housing system.

Expected duration of project execution: 7 months, starting in September, 2025.

#### b. Scientific field:

Social and Human Sciences, preference for students in the areas of political economy, geography, and urban studies, among others.

#### c. Work plan, tasks:

The selected researcher is expected to have the following responsibilities:

- i. Assistance in fulfilling the scientific tasks set out in the project application, including literature and policy review, and overall logistic support;

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- ii. Support for the writing of project progress reports, policy brief and other publications;
- iii. Support for the dissemination of knowledge, including the organisation of public events.

#### **d. 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, and Regulations for Fellowships at the Centre for Social Studies.

#### **e. 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 Project's Principal Investigator.

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

The fellowship will last **5** months, starting, desirably, in October, 2025, if all administrative conditions meet.

#### **g. Application dates:**

From 5 to 19 September, 2025.

#### **h. Application process:**

Applications must include:

- a) A letter of intent/motivation in English with the contest reference (CES/26/2024-BI-HABIPUB), email, and phone number;
- b) Detailed Curriculum Vitae;
- c) Copies of degree certificates;
- d) Copy of the enrolment in a PhD Program (note: candidates must meet the eligibility conditions indicated in point k.);
- e) Other relevant documents for eligibility purposes.

Applications should be sent by email to [concursos@ces.uc.pt](mailto:concursos@ces.uc.pt) until the final deadline, and will be valid only after a reading receipt is sent. Applications must include a clear indication of the reference of this call (CES/26/2025-BI-HABIPUB).

## SKILLS

#### **i. Preferred selection criteria and their weighing:**

- 1. Motivation letter (20%);
- 2. Previous research experience in projects with similar topics (30%);

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3. Documented training in qualitative and quantitative research methodologies (10%);
4. Excellent communication skills, including both written expression and public presentations, in Portuguese and English (10%);
5. Teamwork skills, initiative and autonomy (10%);
6. Publication sample of written works (20%).

The jury reserves the right not to select any candidate.

## BENEFITS

### j. Monthly Allowance

The monthly stipend is 1309,64 euros according with the Regulations for Fellowships at the Centre for Social Studies and at FCT ([https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela\\_valores\\_SMM\\_2025.pdf](https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela_valores_SMM_2025.pdf)). The payment of the Voluntary Social Insurance and the Personal Accident Insurance adds up to this amount.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### k. Mandatory requirements

1. Be a doctoral student (see associated conditions in a);
2. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree in the area of Social Sciences and/or humanities (see associated conditions in b);
  - a) Applicants must provide proof of enrolment in a doctoral course in the current academic year. If at the time of application, the applicant does not have a valid document proving their enrolment, they must send a declaration of honour in which they state to undertake the enrolment within a maximum period of 30 days after the communication of the results, under penalty of not contracting the scholarship;
  - b) Applicants with an academic degree and diploma issued by a foreign Higher Education Institution must present proof of recognition of the academic degree by the Portuguese Higher Education System, (law DL66/2018). Any candidate without the recognition of the degree(s) will be admitted to the competition, but during the evaluation process the selection panel, cannot:
    - i) recognize the candidate's grades and assess according to the possession of such grades;
    - ii) give equivalence to, or validate, the grade of her/his degree;
    - iii) use that note or its conversion as an evaluation parameter.

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In case of selection, the fellowship contract can only be signed after the recognition of the academic degree by the Portuguese authorities, under the terms of the Law-decree n66/2018, August 16. The selected candidate must deliver the recognition of the degree within 30 days after the communication of the results. After the 30 days, the jury may decide to 1. either extend the deadline for the candidate to prove the recognition; 2. assign the fellowship to the second place; 3. or not award the fellowship.

## SELECTION PROCESS

### I. Selection process

Applicants will be selected based on their curricular evaluation. In case of equivalent curricular profiles, the best-positioned applicants should be short-listed for an interview, meant to assess the applicant's potential in integrating the project's scientific dynamic and his/her motivation in pursuing studies related to the project's thematic areas. Each of the two methods of selection applied will have a rating of 50% in the final classification.

### m. Selection panel:

- Ana Cordeiro Santos (President)
- Ana Drago (Permanent member)
- João Rodrigues (Permanent member)
- Nuno Serra (Substitute member)
- Giovanni Allegretti (Substitute member)

### n. Communication of Results:

All candidates will receive the results by email. The meeting minutes of the selection panel will become available publicly. After the communication of results, applicants have 10 working days to present a redress to the evaluation and the result by email.

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

### **Equality of opportunities:**

CES abides by the national law that regulates the prevention, prohibition and fighting against discrimination on the grounds of racial and ethnic identity, colour, nationality, family background, territory of origin, and disability (Law nº 93/2017, 23 August; Law nº 4/2019, 10 January).

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## **Data protection:**

By submitting your application, you are agreeing with the use of your personal data by CES administrative services for the sole purpose of the current call, namely to be contacted directly by CES services and allow the communication of results as in point n. of this call. CES abides by the principles of GDPR.

## **Contact/Contacto:**

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