

Are you willing to participate in THCS Call for Projects 2024?

Yes

Regional/National Eligibility Criteria

Portugal – FCT

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| Funding commitment | <ul style="list-style-type: none">– FCT budget allocation for this call is: 500.000,00€– Anticipated number of funded research groups: 2-3– If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the same international consortium applies for funding by FCT, the combined funding demanded by all the Portuguese applicants may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with a Portuguese Main Applicant (250 000,00 €) or with a Project Applicant (150 000,00 €). Portuguese Main Applicants and/or Project Applicants in the same international consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by FCT.– If more than one Portuguese applicant from the same international consortium applies for funding from the Portuguese agencies FCT and CCDRC, the combined budget requested from the two agencies cannot exceed the maximum funding per consortium of 250 000,00 € (Portuguese Main Applicant) or 150 000,00 € (Portuguese Project Applicant).– For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of article 7 of FCT's Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds, as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January, hereinafter referred to as FCT Regulation, which amends and republishes Regulation no. 999/2016, of 31 October. (*) |
| Minimum/Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner | <ul style="list-style-type: none">– The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a Portuguese Main Applicant is 250 000,00 €.– The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a Portuguese Project Applicant is 150 000,00 €. |
| Eligible institutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none">– For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of FCT Regulation. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – For information on the criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility, see article 5 of FCT Regulation. |
| Organisations excluded from funding | |
| Additional eligibility criteria | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – For information on the criteria of projects' eligibility, see article 6 of FCT Regulation. – FCT and CCDRC, as Portuguese funding agencies on this call, reserve the right to evaluate the possibility of transferring application(s) to the other Portuguese funding agency if an application is considered non-eligible by the funding agency selected by the candidate institution, but is eligible by the other Portuguese funding agency, which will from then on be responsible for managing the application(s). The transfer of applications will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties. (**) |
| Eligible costs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in article 8 of FCT Regulation apply to eligible expenses and in article 9 to non-eligible expenses. – The project's indirect costs are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs. – Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the salaries and other remuneration supplements of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration. – Expenditure on adapting buildings and facilities is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenses. – In accordance with no. 1 of article 7 of the FCT Regulation, the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on real costs. As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probatory value, under the terms of no. 5 of article 8 of FCT Regulation. (***) |
| Submission of the proposal at regional/national level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Yes, but only for full proposals selected for funding. |
| Submission of additional information at regional/national level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the proposals, a Statement of Commitment duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinators) and by the legal representative of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to: thcs@fct.pt. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment, as long as it is signed, in the Autenticação.gov application, with professional attributes that identify the functions performed by the signatory. – Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that <u>do not apply for funding from FCT do not need</u> to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT. |
| Further guidance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – If FCT or CCDRC reach the limit of the budget that each of the agencies has set for funding projects under this call before the number of applications recommended for funding by each of these agencies has run out, the applications recommended for funding that lack funding may be transferred to the agency that still has the budget to fund applications. The transfer of applications recommended for funding will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties. – The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will not be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects. – The information provided in this table is a summary only. Portuguese institutions must follow FCT's Legislation, Regulations and Norms. Therefore, it's necessary to consult the detailed and complete information in the FCT Regulation. For more information, please see the call's page on FCT website. <p>(*) Reformulated sentence with information added on 19 March (**) Reformulated sentence with information added on 19 March (***) Sentence added on 19 March</p> |

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