PORTUGAL – FUNDAÇÃO PARA A CIÊNCIA E A TECNOLOGIA (FCT)

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National/regional requirements and guidelines on proposals

Call Modules and topics	**Applications requesting funding from FCT under this call will be subject to Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds, published in Regulation No. 999/2016, in its current wording, that is, as amended and republished by Regulation No. 5/2024 of 3 January, and corrected by Rectification Statement No. 366/2024/2, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd series, No. 100, of 23 May 2024, and by all other applicable national and European Union legislation**. **FCT WILL FUND:** **CM2025-01** "Multi-vector interactions between the integrated energy system and industrial frameworks" **CM2025-02** "Energy system flexibility: renewables production, storage, and system integration" **CM2025-03A (ROA)** "Advanced renewable energy (RE) technologies for power production" **CM2025-04** "Carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS)" **CM2025-05** "Hydrogen and renewable fuels" **CM2025-06** "Heating and cooling technologies" **CM2025-09** "Clean energy integration in the built environment"
Proposal submission	**Statement of Commitment**: • Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal, a **Statement of Commitment** duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinators) and by the legal representant of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to joana.pinheiro@fct.pt. • The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment. •Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT.
Project Consortium Partners	For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of FCT Regulation.
Project duration	Up to 36 months.
Project budget	The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a **Portuguese Main Applicant** is **200.000,00 €**. The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a **Portuguese Project Applicant** is **125.000,00 €**. 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 thresh-**

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<tr><td></td><td colspan="3">old for proposals with a Portuguese Main Applicant or with a Project Applicant. 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.
For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of Article 7 of FCT Regulation.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Notes</td><td colspan="3">*Please check Article 3 of FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds for confirming beneficiary eligibility.
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<tr><td>Types of cost to be funded</td><td colspan="3">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.
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.
The project's indirect costs are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs.</td></tr>
<tr><td>RDI approaches and TRLs</td><td colspan="3">Type of research: strategic (basic) research, applied research.
TRL: Up to TRL 8.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Other requirements/guidelines</td><td colspan="3">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 probationary value, under the terms of no. 5 of Article 8 of FCT Regulation.</td></tr>
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	For information on the criteria of beneficiary's eligibility, see Article 5 of FCT Regulation. For information on the criteria of projects" eligibility, see Article 6 of FCT Regulation. The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will **not** be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.

Information on the Funding Organisation in the Call

Budget	FCT's budget allocation for this call is 500.000,00€.
Anticipated number of projects to fund	4 to 5 (four to five).
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