



## FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FUNDAÇÃO PARA A CIÊNCIA E A TECNOLOGIA

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	500.000 €	
Maximum funding per project	<p>The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a <b>Portuguese Main Applicant is 250.000 €.</b></p> <p>The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a <b>Portuguese Project Applicant is 150.000 €.</b></p> <p>If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the <b>same international consortium</b> applies for funding by FCT, the <b>combined funding</b> demanded by all the Portuguese applicants <b>may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with a Portuguese Main Applicant (250.000 €) or with a Project Applicant (150.000 €).</b> 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.</p> <p>For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of article 7 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p>	
Project duration	Max. 36 months	
Project types to be funded:		
	Exploratory Research	Accelerating Innovation
	Yes	Yes
Topics to be funded:		
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
Yes	Yes	Yes

Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information							
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*
<p><b>*Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b> For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Applicable regulation:</b> Applications requesting funding from FCT under this call will be subject to <a href="#">Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds</a>, 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.</p> <p><b>Criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility:</b> For information on the criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility, see article 5 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Criteria of projects' eligibility:</b> For information on the criteria of projects' eligibility, see article 6 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Rules and limits to the expense eligibility:</b> For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in article 8 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a> apply to <b>eligible expenses</b> and in article 9 to <b>non-eligible expenses</b>.</p> <p>Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the <b>salaries and other remuneration supplements</b> of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration.</p> <p>Expenditure on <b>adapting buildings and facilities</b> is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenses.</p> <p>The <b>project's indirect costs</b> are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs.</p> <p><b>Applicable forms of payment:</b> <a href="#">In accordance with no. 1 of article 7 of the FCT Regulation</a>, the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on <b>real costs</b>. As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probatory value, under the terms of no. 5 <a href="#">of article 8 of FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Further additional information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will <b>not</b> be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.</li> </ul> <p><b>Statement of Commitment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal, a <b>Statement of Commitment</b> 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 both the following e-mails: <a href="mailto:pedromiguel.ferreira@fct.pt">pedromiguel.ferreira@fct.pt</a>; <a href="mailto:marta.norton@fct.pt">marta.norton@fct.pt</a>.</li> <li>The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment.</li> </ul> <p>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.</p>							