

RESEARCH GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT (BI)

IPC-IIA/INOV4Industry

Reference: PRBI/20/2026

A call is now open for the award of **two** Research Grants (BI) within the scope of the project “INOV4Industry - Transferir conhecimento científico e tecnologia para a Indústria” of the Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, with the operation code COMPETE2030-FEDER-01458200, under the Notice Code (COMPETE2030-2024-6), co-financed by the European Union through the COMPETE 2030 Programme and Portugal 2030, within the “Sistema de Ações Coletivas – Transferência do conhecimento científico e tecnológico”, under the following conditions.

Scientific Areas: Business Sciences (CNAEF 34) or Manufacturing Industries (CNAEF 54)

Admission Requirements

Applicants must:

- i) Hold a Bachelor’s degree in Business Sciences (CNAEF 34) or Manufacturing Industries (CNAEF 54), and
- ii) Be enrolled in a Master’s degree, Integrated Master’s degree, or a non-degree awarding course¹;

or

- iii) Hold a Master’s degree in Business Sciences (CNAEF 34) or Manufacturing Industries (CNAEF 54), and
- iv) Be enrolled in a non-degree awarding course.

Candidates must meet requirement ii) or iv) and submit, at the time of application, proof of enrolment in a degree-awarding cycle or in a non-degree awarding course.

¹ “Non-degree awarding courses” are those referred in alínea e) do n.º 3 do artigo 4.º do Decreto-Lei n.º 74/2006, de 24 de março, in its current wording, carried out in association or cooperation between the higher education institution and one or more R&D units, as stipulated in alínea e) do Artigo 3.º do Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da FCT.

Work Plan

The activities to be undertaken during the fellowship period will be carried out within the scope of the project “INOV4Industry - Transferir conhecimento científico e tecnologia para a Indústria”. The fellow will be expected to perform the following tasks:

- Participate in project meetings and prepare the corresponding technical and progress reports;
- Conduct research and diagnostic activities supporting project development, particularly in the field of transferable technology roadmapping;
- Support the management, organisation, and communication of the Polytechnic Institute of Coimbra’s knowledge and technology portfolio;
- Promote engagement and outreach initiatives directed at companies and industry stakeholders;
- Assist in the planning, organisation, and implementation of project activities, including the preparation of related documentation and reports;
- Contribute to the dissemination, promotion, and communication of the project, its activities, and achieved results.

Duration and Grant Conditions

The grant will have a duration of 9 months, under an exclusive dedication regime, and does not establish or entitle the fellow to an employment contract. The fellow will be awarded the status of IPC Research Fellow, in accordance with the Research Fellowship Holder Statute and the FCT Research Fellowships Regulation, both in their current wording. The fellow start date is 1 September 2026.

Renewal: The fellowship cannot be renewed.

Scientific Supervision: Professor Marta Helena Fernandes Henriques.

Monthly Maintenance Allowance

The monthly maintenance allowance is €1,090.98, for the performance of R&D activities by Master’s degree students, Integrated Master’s degree students, or Bachelor’s/Master’s degree holders enrolled in non-degree

awarding courses (BI), in accordance with the current FCT table of values (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela_valores_SMM_2025.pdf). Payment will be made monthly by bank transfer. The amount includes Voluntary Social Security (first level) if the fellow opts for enrolment and covers personal accident insurance.

Work Place

Polytechnic University of Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços – S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra.

Selection Methods

The selection process will consist of Curriculum Evaluation (100%). **Curriculum Evaluation (CE)** will consider:

- CE1. Final classification of Bachelor's, Master's, or Integrated Master's degree (45%)²
- CE2. Additional academic/professional training (15%)
- CE3. Relevant professional experience, preferably related to the activities to be performed in the project (25%)
- CE4. Motivation/cover letter (15%)

The final classification (FC), on a scale of 1 to 20, will be calculated as follows:

$$FC = (0.45 \times CE1) + (0.15 \times CE2) + (0.25 \times CE3) + (0.15 \times CE4)$$

The Jury reserves the right not to award the fellowship if none of the candidates adequately meets the required profile and selection criteria.

Jury Composition

Associate Professor Marta Henriques (President);

Assistant Professor Carla Henriques and Assistant Professor Diana Lima (Effective members);

Associate Professor Ana Cristina Araújo Veloso and PhD Sónia Chelinho (Alternate members).

Application Submission

Candidates must register and submit their applications through the following webpage: https://www.ipc.pt/bupc/concursos/form/concursos_bolseiros. Applicants should select the specific procedure to which they intend to apply.

Applications must be submitted exclusively in digital format, in portable document format (pdf) files, except where other digital formats are expressly required.

The application process is completed by filling in the sections available on the above-mentioned link.

When formalizing the application, if it contains a classified document that reveals commercial or industrial secrets, or secrets relating to literary, artistic or scientific property, the candidate must expressly indicate such reservation, under penalty of the work in question being freely accessed by any one of the other candidates, in consultation with the process.

When submitting the application, the candidate must provide the data strictly necessary for the purpose, under the terms of this public notice, and must hide personal data that may exist in the documentation submitted, otherwise these data may be freely accessed by any of the other candidates, in the process query.

Documents to be submitted

Applications must include the following documents:

1. Application form available on the webpage for this research grant announcement at https://www.ipc.pt/bupc/concursos/form/concursos_bolseiros
2. Personal identification, address, number of the identification document, and tax identification number;
3. Cover letter clearly stating the candidate's motivation for the proposed work plan and their availability to start the fellowship on the scheduled date;
4. Updated *Curriculum Vitae*, clearly describing qualifications and skills;
5. Official academic degree certificate(s) with final grade(s);
6. Proof of enrolment in a cycle of studies or non-degree awarding course;
7. For degrees obtained abroad: recognition certificate in accordance with applicable legislation.

Application Deadline

10 working days from **11.06.2026 a 24.06.2026**.



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Applicable Legislation and Regulations

The awarding of fellowship is based on Law No. 40/2004 of 18 August (Statute of Scientific Research Fellowships), amended and republished by Decree-Law No. 202/2012 of 27 August, updated by: Decree-Law No. 233/2012, Law No. 12/2013, and Decree-Law No. 89/2013; the Fellowship and Research Regulations of the Foundation for Science and Technology in force (www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/docs/RegulamentoBolsasFCT2015.pdf), Order No. 12709/2016 published in DR, II series of 21/10/2016, of the Polytechnic Institute of Coimbra, regarding the IPC Fellowship Regulations.

The fellowship contract model and the final reports to be prepared by the fellowship holder and the scientific supervisor shall follow the templates annexed to the Scientific Research Fellowship Statute.

Publication / Notification of Results

The results will be published as a ranked list of candidates by final classification within 15 working days after the deadline for applications, via email to all candidates. Candidates will have 10 working days from notification to request a hearing. Selected candidates must confirm acceptance in writing; failure to do so within the given period, without valid justification, will be considered a withdrawal. In case of withdrawal, the next highest-ranked candidate will be contacted.

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