

SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR CONTRACTING A TECHNICIAN (1 vacancy)

Reference: 2022_040_TS_BLUEFORESTING

A competition is open for the attribution of one work contract for the exercise of technical functions within the scope of the Project BLUEFORESTING - Climate Resilient Marine Forests for a Sustainable Future, co-funded by the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism (MFEED 2014-2021) under the Business Development, Innovation and SMEs Program Area of the Blue Growth Program with the reference PT-INNOVATION-0077, within the R&D Institution CIIMAR (Interdisciplinary Centre of Marine and Environmental Research), according to the following conditions:

1. Scientific areas: Marine Sciences and Remote Sensing.

2. Admission requirements: The candidate should have a Bachelor degree or integrated Master's degree in the field of in of Remote Sensing with a final classification of at least 14 values, and meet the requirements below:

- a) The candidates must be experienced divers with Scientific Diving certification;
- b) Experience with in-situ monitoring of intertidal and subtidal rocky shore organisms;
- c) Experience on handling and processing remote sensing data. Knowledge in species distribution modelling is desirable;
- d) The candidates must have experience in measuring eco-physiological status of seaweed and marine invertebrates
- e) Ability to write scientific publication and reports;
- f) Applicants should have a good knowledge in English (written and spoken). No knowledge of Portuguese is required. All nationalities are welcome to apply (subject to visa restrictions).

The jury reserves the right to close the application in case none of the candidates meets the desired profile.

In cases where the degree was awarded by a foreign higher education institution, the said degree must comply with the provisions of Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of 16th August until the signature of the contract.

3. Work plan: The selected candidate will join our team under the BLUEFORESTING project. BLUEFORESTING aims to provide science-based guidance for designing and implementing Nature Based Solutions (NBS) to foster sustainable and healthy marine forests in North Atlantic seashores. For this contract, the candidate will participate actively in the application of new tools for health assessment of marine forests, mapping forests, and infra-red thermal. The candidate will also be involved in restoration strategies through marine forest climate change rescuers by implementing new emerging restoration techniques designed for subtidal forests. BLUEFORESTING will provide NBS that will engage stakeholders, completing the circle that should bond science and policy. Therefore, the candidate will

assist the assessment of ecosystem service benefits and social costs of conserving and restoring marine forests. He/she will also support policy engagement, and science and policy co-creation for marine forests conservation and restoration. Complementarily the candidate will participate in the implementation of the Communication Plan, and will support the coordination of the project

4. Legislation and official rules: Art. 140 n. 1 and n. 2, g) and 148 the Labor Code (Law 7/2009, of 12 February and respective updates);

5. Work place: The work will be carried out at CIIMAR, Edifício do Terminal de Cruzeiros do Porto de Leixões, Av. General Norton de Matos, s/n, Matosinhos, integrated in the research *Benthic Ecology* Team, under the scientific supervision of Dr. Francisco Arenas.

6. Duration of the contract: Duration of twelve (12) months, eventually renewable according to the legal terms, starting in May 2022.

7. Monthly salary: Equated to the higher technical career, level 15: gross monthly salary € 1215,93; food, holidays and Christmas allowance apart.

8. Selection methods: The contract will be awarded based on the candidates' academic curriculum and technical skills. The ranking of candidates will be performed by a global evaluation of their scientific and curricular achievements (1 - 10 values):

The candidates' score will be the sum of the evaluation of:

1. Merit of the academic curriculum in the scientific area and relevance to the project work plan. Weight: 40%.
2. Experience relevant for the scientific area and the project work plan: Weight: 60%. The candidates will be ranked according to the following criteria:
 - a) Experience with in-situ monitoring of intertidal/subtidal rocky shore organisms, 30 %;
 - b) Experience on handling remote sensing data 30% ;
 - c) Experience in eco-physiological experiments, 20%;
 - d) Publications, reports and relevant conferences, 10%;
 - e) Motivation letter and additional information, 10%;

The evaluation process may include an interview by video conference to the top two candidates, with the only propose of clarifying aspects related to the research results, and motivation towards the project, in case of insufficient curricular information for a decision making. In such case, the interview will have a weight of 10% and the previous assessment a weight of 90%.

9. Composition of the jury selection:

President of the jury: Dr. Francisco Arenas

Vogal: Dr. Marina Dolbeth

Vogal: Dr. Cândida Vale

Substitutes

1. Dr. Ana Bio
2. Dr. Sandra Ramos

10. Form of Advertising/notification of results: The final results of the evaluation will be published through a list sorting the candidates according to their attributed mark, on the CIIMAR website and by e-mail; After the announcement of the results, candidates are considered automatically notified to, if they wish to do so, comment on the results on a preliminary hearing period within 10 working days after that date, as provided for in the Código do Procedimento Administrativo.

The jury reserves the right to not assign the vacancy depending on the quality of the applications.

In case of resignation or withdrawal of the selected candidate, the next candidate with the highest evaluation score will be notified immediately.

Based on the final sorted list of the candidates it will be made a reserve list that will be used for the future recruitment of technicians for this project.

11. Deadline for application and presentation of applications: The competition is open from **April 29th until May 13th, 2022**. The applications must be formalized, compulsorily, by sending the following documents:

- detailed Curriculum vitae with clear specification of i) list of peer reviewed publications, books and/or reports proof the experience in the above-mentioned fields ii) list of the computer skills (software and/or programming languages for simulation and data analysis)
- copy of the eligibility certificates;
- motivation letter;
- one or more reference contact information of current or past supervisors;
- contact e-mail address and phone number;
- indication of the reference of the competition (as indicated in this announcement).
- any other documents that the candidates may recognize as relevant to demonstrate the adequacy to the function

The applications should be sent by e-mail to: rh@ciimar.up.pt and farenas@ciimar.up.pt, with the offer reference in the subject. The applications that **do not include all** the elements previously indicated will **not be considered**.

12. Non-discrimination and equal access policy: CIIMAR actively promotes a non-discrimination and equal access policy, wherefore no candidate can be privileged, benefited, impaired or deprived of any rights whatsoever, or be exempt of any duties based on their ancestry, age, sex, sexual preference, marital status, family and economic conditions, instruction, origin or social conditions, genetic heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, origin territory, language, religion, political or ideological convictions and union membership.

Pursuant to Decree-Law no. 29/2001 of 3 February, disabled candidates shall be preferred in a situation of equal classification, and said preference supersedes any legal preferences. Candidates must declare, on their honour, their respective disability degree, type of disability and communication/expression means to be used during selection period on their application form, under the regulations above.