

Project Competition for Scientific Research and Technological Development in all Scientific Domains

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2010

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Objectives and priorities

A priority policy of national science and technology growth, strengthening and consolidation of the

National

Scientific and Technological System

(

NSTS

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,

making it

more competitive

in

national and international context

,

streamlining

the relationship between

knowledge centers

and enterprises

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In this context it is particularly relevant to promoting and strengthening the competence of science and technology institutions, through participation of its teams of research projects in scientific research and technological development (IC & DT) in all fields of science.

Beneficiary Entities

They may apply individually or in combination, research teams of the following:

1. Institutions of higher education, their institutes and R & D Centers;
2. Associated Laboratories;
3. State Laboratories;;
4. Nonprofit private institutions that have as main object of science and technology activities;;
5. Businesses that are part of projects led by R & D institutions, public or private nonprofit;
6. Other public and private, nonprofit, developing, or participating in scientific research. **Fina**

ntial and Territorial Scope

Territorial scope

The territorial scope of these projects is determined by NUT II Region where there are the Prop
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and
Participating
Institutions
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Financing

The Principal Contractor with projects located in Regions II NUT Convergence Objective (Nort
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and
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financed
with funds
from the
COMPETE
- Operational Programme
for Competitiveness Factors
, in these
cases
, the Participating Institutions
located in
regions
outside
the
Convergence Objective
are
financed
by
national funds
, through
the Ministry
of
Science
,
Technology
and Higher Education (M
CES
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Funding for the
COMPETE
- Operational Programme
for Competitiveness Factors
assumes the nature of
non-repayable
support
of up to 70
%
of
eligible project
costs
, with
the remainder
component
supported
by
national funds
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or up to 50
% for
firms
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in the latter
situation
Funding will be
provided under
the
Community guidelines on
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aid
and
will only be
supported
activities
in
basic and applied research
, and
the
remaining
component
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up to
50
%,

supported
by
national
funds

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Enterprises
located
outside
the
Convergence
regions
are
funded
50%
by
national
funds

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The
maximum
funding per
project
is
200,000
€

Budget allocation

The FEDER budget allocated to this contract under the Competitiveness Factors Operational Programme

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6.5
million
euros.

Application Period

Applications must be submitted to the FCT in the English language in its main components, between

the

30th of

December 2010 and

at

17 hours

(

Lisbon time

) on
February 24, 2011

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in
specific application form
and
submitted
electronically
through
:
<https://concursos.fct.mctes.pt/projetos/>

It is recommended
to
read
the
Guide for
preparing
and
submitting the application
, available
at:
<http://alfa.fct.mctes.pt/apoios/projetos/concursos/2010/docs/guiao.pdf>

as well as the Regulations referred in this Edict.
Not be financed projects where / as Researchers / or the responsible staff members exceed
100 % of ti
me
devoted
to
research projects
funded
by FCT
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No applications will be accepted where the Investigator has a charge time of dedication to the
project
less
than 35
%
and
each of
the
remaining
members of the team
has

a
long
dedication
to the
project
less than
15
%
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The same Principal Investigator may not submit the same project to two scientific areas.

No applications will be accepted for projects whose / the IR are in default unjustified regulatory requirements regarding the submission of Scientific Reports of completed projects that have also played the role of IR
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No applications will be accepted for projects whose proponents Institutions (IP) are in default unjustified regulatory requirements regarding the submission of reports on financial implementation or the return of funds transferred to the IP relating to previous projects

with the
same
IR

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Applications that have been submitted in previous contests for which is still in process of decision are not admissible.

The maximum duration of projects to support is three years.

Methodology for Selection of Projects to Support

The evaluation will be conducted by international panels of independent evaluators, consisting of
science

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The methodology for selection and prioritization of projects is based on the gauge of Merit of the
Project
based on the following
criteria

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which are
detailed in

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1. Scientific merit and novelty of the project with an international perspective;
2. Scientific merit of the research team;
3. Feasibility of work plan and budget reasonableness;
4. Contribution to the accumulation of knowledge and skills of the NSTS (effects and expected results).

For selection and funding decision, the projects will be ranking in descending order of marks obtained in the evaluation process

Disclosure and Additional Information

This Notice and other material and relevant information, including the [Regulation of Access to Financing of Scientific Research and Technological Development](#)

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the

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Information on the contents of the application form can be requested via e-mail concursoprojetos2010@fct.mctes.pt

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Information

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computer

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