## Call for Expressions of Interest under the

# CMU Portugal Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program (project ref<sup>a</sup> CMU-P Gestão 2025) Application submission from May 30th - June 17th 2025







The Carnegie Mellon Portugal Program (CMU Portugal) through Instituto de Engenharia de Sistemas e Computadores, Investigação e Desenvolvimento em Lisboa (INESC-ID) — as host institution "Entidade de Enquadramento" — and with the support of Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia (FCT) is announcing a **Call for Expressions of Interest under the Visiting Faculty and Researchers**Program, for visits to Carnegie Mellon University in 2025. This Program is one of the key educational initiatives of the CMU Portugal partnership, under which individuals holding a doctoral degree and affiliated with Portuguese Higher Education Institutions or Research Labs, can spend up to two (2) months working in research, education and innovation at Carnegie Mellon University to experience its culture and best practices.

CMU Portugal will support up to five (5) beneficiaries through the project CMU-P Gestão 2025 under FCT regulations "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia", pending on funding available by FCT/MCTES through national funds and under the following conditions:

# **OBJECTIVES | FUNCTIONS**

In the Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program the beneficiaries can spend from fourteen (14) days to two (2) months working in research, education and innovation at Carnegie Mellon University, to experience its culture and best practices. Through the Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program the beneficiaries will have a formal appointment as a visiting scholar member at CMU; will be hosted in a research group; join a teaching team in a specific area of interest; and be invited to participate in various activities. More information is available on the <u>CMU Portugal Website</u>.

## **BINDING LEGISLATION**

The current call is open under FCT regulations "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" (Regulamento nº913/2021 - Diário da República n.º 201/2021, Série II de 2021-10-15, páginas 84 - 92).

## **DURATION**

**FOURTEEN (14)** days to **TWO (2)** months depending on the proposed work plan that must start by **November 1st 2025** and end before **December 31st 2025**.

## **MONTHLY AMOUNT**

The monthly amount of the internship is **2.500,00€**. Apart from the monthly internship stipend, the beneficiaries will also have their health insurance covered up to 600,00€ while at CMU, and will also receive a one-time travel fee of 1.000,00€. The beneficiaries rights and duties are fully described in articles 15 and 18 of FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations.

## **SCIENTIFIC SUPERVISION**

The activities developed under the Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program will be supervised by the CMU Portugal Program Co-Director **Inês Lynce**, full professor of Técnico and researcher at INESC-ID Lisboa and CMU Portugal Program Co-Director **João Magalhães**, full professor at FCT NOVA. The beneficiaries will hold a courtesy appointment at INESC-ID while the visit is ongoing. The beneficiaries will be also integrated in a Department and/or Research Centre at CMU and will have a CMU Faculty host. The supervisors and host institution rights and duties are described in articles 16, 17, 19 and 20 of FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations.

## **WORKPLACE**

INESC ID - Headquarters Rua Alves Redol, 9, 1000-029 Lisboa

Carnegie Mellon University - 5000 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, United States

## **ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS**

Only Portuguese citizens or foreign citizens with permanent residence in Portugal are eligible to participate in the Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program. The candidate should hold a doctoral degree by the time of the application and be affiliated with a Portuguese Higher Education Institution or/and Research Lab. Preference is given to candidates with professional and academic work aligned with the CMU Portugal main research areas. Proficiency in English is required.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The evaluation and selection of the candidates takes place in accordance with articles 11 and 12 of FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations. The evaluation process will be chaired by the CMU Portugal Program Directors and conducted by the CMU Portugal Scientific Directors on a scale of 0-5 considering the "Quality and depth of the academic work" (10%), namely the academic degrees held by the candidate; lecturing and/or academic activities in which the candidate participated and/or organized (such has non-degree educational programs, training programs, workshops, and other courses. Relevant international educational experiences will be valorized: "Quality and depth of the research work" (20%), namely the participation in research projects and authorship of peer-reviewed scientific publications. Relevant international experiences will be valorized; the "Scientific robustness of the work plan proposed" (25%), which should be aligned with the promotion of activities of knowledge and technology transfer within the framework of the FCT regulations under which the call is open; the "Professional experience of the candidate" (15%), namely work experience in academia, industry or other type of organization; its "Alignment with the main research areas of the CMU Portugal Program" (15%); and the "Relevance of the work developed by the host at CMU in the scope of the CMU Portugal Program" (15%).

Applications with a final **classification of ≤ 3,00 will not be selected for admission.** The selection process is expected to take one month after the applications deadline, and all the applicants will receive feedback by email.

The final evaluation results will be publicized through an ordered list in the CMU Portugal Program website page "Admissions and scholarships", and the candidates will be notified of the jury's decision by email.

## **EVALUATION PANEL**

Name	<b>Professional Status</b>	Institutions
João Araújo	Associate Professor	Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa
Maria Rute André	Full Professor	Universidade de Aveiro
Rodrigo Ventura	Associate Professor	Instituto Superior Técnico – Universidade de Lisboa

#### **APPLICATION**

The application period will open on May 30<sup>th</sup> 2025 and close on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2025.

**All applications should be submitted through an online application form** <u>available here</u> with personal information, period of visit, work plan, hosting department at CMU and supervisor at CMU.

For further information, please contact the CMU Portugal Program at:

E-mail: apply@cmuportugal.org

Address: INESC-ID - R. Alves Redol, 9, 1000-029 Lisboa

# **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

The supporting documents listed below must be presented in pdf. form. Applications without the requested documents may not be considered

Supporting documents presented in another format will not be considered by the evaluation panel.

The following documents should be attached to the online application form:

- Detailed curriculum vitae
- 2. Statement of work
- 3. Declaration from home department/institution in Portugal authorizing the candidate to participate in the Program
- 4. Support statement from the host at Carnegie Mellon University
- 5. Copy of the doctoral degree official diploma\*

\* For candidates with degrees granted by foreign higher education institutions it is mandatory to have the recognition of the degree and the final classification conversion to the Portuguese scale. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition">https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition</a> and <a href="https://www.ulisboa.pt/info/reconhecimento-de-habilitacoes-estrangeiras">https://www.ulisboa.pt/info/reconhecimento-de-habilitacoes-estrangeiras</a>.

#### CONTRACT

A contract between INESC-ID and the beneficiaries will be celebrated according to the FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations, article 13, 3.

## INTERNSHIP REPORT AND SANCTIONS

Until 60 work days after the successful completion of the research period at CMU, beneficiaries will have to present to CMU Portugal an internship report which details the activities that were developed under the Visiting Faculty and Researchers Program, together with assessments from the internship supervisors and host institution in Portugal (in accordance with articles 18 to 20 of FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations). In case the beneficiaries do not fulfil any of the regulations requirements, sanctions may take place according to article 22 of FCT´s "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations.

## **NOTIFICATION, PRIOR HEARING, COMPLAINT AND APPEAL DEADLINES**

In accordance with FCT's "Subsídio a Atividades de Transferência de Conhecimento e Tecnologia" regulations (article 11, paragraph 9), there will be no hearing of interested parties' period. From the final decision, a complaint can be filed within 15 working days, or, alternatively, an appeal may be filed within 30 working days, both counted from the respective notification. Candidates who choose to submit a complaint must address their pronunciation to the FCT Board of Directors with delegated competence. Candidates who choose to submit an appeal must address the same to the FCT Board of Directors.

## **NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL ACCESS POLICY**

INESC-ID actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no candidate can be privileged, benefited, disadvantaged or deprived of any right or exemption from any duty owing, in particular, to ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, economic situation, education, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological beliefs and trade union membership.

Under the terms of D.L. No. 29/2001, of February 3, a disabled candidate has a preference when in equal classification, which prevails over any other legal preference. Candidates must declare on the application form their respective degree of disability, the type of disability and the means of communication / expression to be used in the selection process, under the terms of the aforementioned diploma.

## **WHO WE ARE**

INESC-ID (<u>www.inesc-id.pt</u>), "Instituto de Engenharia de Sistemas e Computadores: Investigação e Desenvolvimento em Lisboa" is a Research and Development and Innovation Organization (R&D+i) in the fields of Computer Science and Electrical and Computer Engineering.

INESC-ID's research impact is focused on four Thematic Lines: energy transition, life and health technology, security and privacy and societal digital transformation.

INESC-ID promotes cooperation between academia and industry by addressing research on daily life issues, such as healthcare, space, mobility, human language technologies, agri-food, industry 4.0, and smart grids. This high level of knowledge transfer is achieved through both competitive research projects and direct contracted research. Therefore, public and private entities have access to a pool of knowledge, resources and services provided through the unique competencies available at the institution.

INESC ID has a strong international academic environment and inclusive work environment.