

## 1 Research Studentship for students of a course that does not award an academic degree

Applications are open for one Research Studentship for students of a course that does not award an academic degree, within the framework of project Center for Responsible AI, reference 1801P.01320.1.01 Responsible.AI\_ Contrato nº 62 - IST-ID, financed by national funds through PRR, under the following conditions:

**Scientific Area:** Artificial Intelligence.

**Admission Requirements:** a) To hold a master degree and be enrolled at a course that does not award an academic degree and it is integrated in the educational project of a higher education institution, performed in association or cooperation with one or several R&D units; b) not to exceed with this contract, including the possible renovations, an accumulated period of one year in this type of studentship, continuously or with interruptions.

**Workplan:** This work aims to develop a novel machine learning method for the analysis and classification of histopathology images. Specifically, the proposed approach will be based on weakly supervised multiple instance learning (MIL) and graph-based neural networks applied to whole slide images. The developed approach aims to be robust to domain shifts and data biases, to ensure better generalization when evaluated on new datasets.

**Legislation and Regulations:** Statute of Scientific Research Fellow, approved by Law nr. 40/2004, of August 18, as worded by Decree-Law nr. 123/2019, of August 28; IST-ID Research Fellowships Regulation, available on [https://ist-id.pt/files/sites/43/regulamento-de-bolsas-da-ist\\_id-2.pdf](https://ist-id.pt/files/sites/43/regulamento-de-bolsas-da-ist_id-2.pdf).

**Workplace:** The work will be developed at Instituto de Sistemas e Robótica (VisLab), from Instituto Superior Técnico, under the scientific supervision of Professor Catarina Barata.

**Duration:** The research fellowship will have a duration of 3 months. It is expected to begin in January and may eventually be renewed for up to 6 months, including the duration of the initial contract.

**Monthly maintenance allowance:** the amount of the monthly maintenance allowance is € 1259.64€, being the payment method of the Fellow by wire transfer.

**Selection methods:** Curriculum evaluation (50%) and previous experience on the topics related to the grant (50%). The candidates may be invited for an interview, for additional discrimination between levels of expertise.

**Composition of the selection Jury:** Professors Catarina Barata, José Santos Victor and Alexandre Bernardino.

**Announcement/ notification of the results:** The final evaluation results will be communicated to all applicants by email.

**Deadlines and procedures of complaint and appeal:** A complaint may be lodged from the final decision within 15 working days, or an appeal to the Executive Board of IST-ID within 30 working days, both counted from the respective notification.

**Application deadline and formalization:** The call is open from December 9 until December 20,2024.

It is mandatory to formalize applications with the submission of the following documents:

- i) B1 Form – Fellowship application (<https://ist-id.pt/concursos/bolsas/>);
- ii) *Curriculum Vitae*;
- iii) Proof of enrollment at an academic degree course (Master, Integrated Master);
- iv) Motivation letter.

Applications must be submitted at <https://welcome.isr.tecnico.ulisboa.pt/opportunities/>