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NOTICE

Call for the attribution of one (1) research grant for a Bachelor

Applications are open for a Bachelor's Research Grant under the project "EquiVet.AI: Um Assistente Inteligente para Médicos Veterinários em Clínica de Equinos", (Ref.^a Projeto 2024.07265.IADC), apoiado pela medida "RE-C05-i08.M04 – "Apoiar o lançamento de um programa de projetos de I&D orientado para o desenvolvimento e implementação de sistemas avançados de cibersegurança, inteligência artificial e ciência de dados na administração pública, bem como de um programa de capacitação científica", do Plano de Recuperação e Resiliência – PRR, enquadrado no contrato de financiamento celebrado entre a Estrutura de Missão Recuperar Portugal (EMRP) e a Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia I.P. (FCT), enquanto beneficiário intermediário, under the following conditions:

1. Scientific area: Veterinary Sciences, clinical specialty.

2. Admission requirements:

- 2.1. Hold a bachelor's degree and be enrolled in a master's degree, or a non-degree program;
 - 2.2. Mandatory proficiency in spoken and written Portuguese, equivalent to native language level.
 - 2.3. Academic degrees obtained in foreign countries require registration by a Portuguese institution.
- Presentation of the certificate is mandatory for the contract to be signed.

3. Work plan: The scholarship holder will be involved in several different activities in project EquiVet.AI, including:

- Development of a comprehensive AI-based diagnostic system for allergic diseases in horses (with respiratory and/or dermal manifestations);
- Generation of medical reports from audio/texts produced by veterinarians;
- Continuous incorporation of feedback from veterinarians to refine and optimize the development of AI models;
- Development of a prototype of an easy-to-use application that covers all these aspects, including support for AI diagnostics and automatic report generation from text and audio;



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- Participation in research and development activities, such as:

- Collection of clinical data from equine hospitals/clinics
- Supervised review of the collected data and possible requests for correction or additions
- Recording audio of consultations from texts based on a provided example
- Organization of the collected data and its submission to the EquiVet.AI project scholarship holders in the field of Computer Engineering and affiliated with INESC-ID/IST/ULisboa.

4. Applicable legislation and regulations: Statute of the Scientific Research Fellows, approved by Law No. 40/2004, of August 18, in its drafting in force. Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Lisbon, Order No. 6238/2020, published in the *Diário da República* (Official Journal), 2nd series, of June 12, 2020 and the Regulation of Research Grants of the *Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia (FCT)* as well as per applicable National and Community legislation.

5. Workplace: The work will be carried out at the Department of Clinics of the Faculdade de Medicina Veterinária of the Universidade de Lisboa (Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Lisbon, FMV-ULisboa), under the scientific supervision of Professor Paula Alexandra Botelho Garcia de Andrade Pimenta Tilley, researcher responsible at FMV for the EquiVet.AI project of the Clinical Research Lab of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Animal Health (CIISA – Centro de Investigação Interdisciplinar em Sanidade Animal).

6. Duration of the scholarship(s): The scholarship will last four months, starting on October 1, 2025, with the maximum duration of the Project, scheduled for January 31, 2026.

7. Monthly maintenance allowance amount: The scholarship amount is 1,040.89€, in accordance with the FCT, I.P. national grant value table (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela_valores_SMM_2025.pdf). In addition, the scholarship holder will benefit from Personal Accident Insurance and, if they wish to join Voluntary Social Security (SSV), they will be reimbursed for the amount corresponding to the 1st Level of the contribution base.

8. Selection methods: Eligible applications will be scored on a scale of 0 to 20, based on the candidate's merit and the result in each of the following evaluation criteria:

- **Criterion A: Curriculum Assessment (CA) – 50%:**
 - Bachelor's degree in the field of the competition with a grade higher than 12 (0-20) - 40%
 - Relevant professional experience and/or clinical internship - 10%



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- **Criterion B: Motivation Letter – 10%**
- **Criterion C:** Other factors considered relevant, namely participation in conferences, workshops, and/or postgraduate courses in the specialty and involvement in activities considered relevant to the project – **10%**
- **Criterion D: Interview – 30%** (limited to the top three candidates after application of criteria A, B and C)

If no interview takes place, the 30% weight is added to the motivation letter.

For the final decision for the research grant attribution, the candidates will be ordered according to the weighted average of the obtained score in each of the four criteria, as follows:

$$\text{Final Classification} = (0.5 \times A) + (0.1 \times B) + (0.1 \times C) + (0.3 \times D)$$

For tiebreaker purposes, the ranking of candidates will be based on the scores attributed to each of the evaluation criteria by the following order: criterion A, criterion B, criterion C, criterion D.

Candidates who score less than 9.5 points will be excluded from the procedure, and the next selection methods or stage will not apply to them, as well candidates who do not comply with all the requirements and formalities set out in this notice.

9. Composition of the Selection Jury:

President: Paula Alexandra Botelho Garcia de Andrade Pimenta Tilley, Assistant Professor, FMV-ULisboa.

Effective Members:

- José Paulo Sales Luis, Full Professor, FMV-ULisboa.
- Maria Isabel Neto Fonseca, Assistant Professor, FMV-ULisboa.

Substitute Members:

- Telmo Renato Landeiro Raposo Pina Nunes, Invited Assistant Professor, FMV-ULisboa.



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The President of the Jury will be replaced, in case of absence or impediment, by the member who succeeds him/her in the order referred to above.

10. Notification of results: All candidates will be notified of the Final Assessment Result via the email indicated in the application.

11. Deadline for application and form of submission of applications: Applications are open from September 15, 2025, until 11:59 p.m. on September 26, 2025.

Applications must be submitted via email with delivery/read receipt to: expediente@fmv.ulisboa.pt with the subject/reference **BI_LIC.004.2025.EquiVet.AI.**, for the attention of Professor Paula Tilley, FMV-ULisboa and must be accompanied, **mandatory**, by the following documents:

11.1. Motivation letter;

11.2. Detailed *Curriculum Vitae* of the candidate, dated and signed;

11.3. Documents proving that the candidate meets the required conditions for awarding the scholarship, namely copies of the qualification certificates for all academic degrees obtained, with final grade;

11.3.1. For academic degrees awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it is mandatory to present the record of recognition of the academic degree and the conversion of the final classification to the Portuguese scale (process regulated by Decree-Law No. 341/2007, of October 12), or alternatively, obtaining equivalence/recognition of academic degrees (process regulated by Decree-Law No. 283/83, of June 21);

11.3.2 If recognition is not available, the candidate may replace it with a declaration of honor that he/she will present the recognition record before being hired for the Scholarship, if he/she is the selected candidate.

11.4 Declaration of enrollment in a master's degree or a non-degree program. This declaration may be replaced by a declaration of honor, which must be submitted only during the scholarship application process.

11.5. Updated declaration proving the candidate's professional situation, indicating the nature of the relationship, functions and teaching hours on average per year, if applicable, and may replace it with a declaration of honor, if not working any professional activity or provision of services;



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11.6. Letters of recommendation (optional).

11.7. Write the application and all associated documents, including the cover letter, in Portuguese;

11.8. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the immediate rejection of the application.

Scholarship contracts do not generate legal-labor relations or the provision of services, and the grantee does not acquire the status of worker in public functions.

12. Policy of non-discrimination and equal access: FMV-ULisboa promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, meaning that no candidate may be privileged, benefited, impaired or deprived of any right or exempt from any duty based, in particular, on ancestry, age, sexual orientation, marital status, family situation, economic status, education, origin or social condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic disease, nationality, ethnic origin or breed, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological beliefs and trade union membership.

13. Deadlines and Procedures for Prior Hearing, Complaints and Appeals:

After the provisional list of assessment results has been communicated, candidates have a period of 10 working days to, if they wish, make a statement at a prior hearing of interested parties, in accordance with articles 121 et seq. of the Code of Administrative Procedure.

If any statements are submitted, they will be analyzed and a final decision will be made. A complaint may be filed against this final decision within 15 working days, or, alternatively, an appeal may be filed within 30 working days, both counting from the date of notification. Candidates who choose to submit a complaint must address their statement to the Rector of the University of Lisbon. Candidates who choose to appeal must address the appeal to the funding entity.

Note: All documents sent by email must have the .doc or .pdf extension and the subject filled in with the project reference.

Faculdade de Medicina Veterinária, September 12, 2025

The President of the Faculty



Rui Manuel de Vasconcelos e Horta Caldeira
(Full Professor)

