

INTERNATIONAL CREDIT MOBILITY CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Consortium AMIGO – Amblente e GestãO

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National Partner Institutions: Instituto Politécnico de Tomar, Universidade de Aveiro, Universidade de Évora, Universidade de Lisboa e Universidade Nova de Lisboa

What is international credit mobility?

For over 25 years, Europe has funded the Erasmus programme, which has enabled over three million European students to spend part of their studies in another higher education institution (HEI) in Europe. Erasmus+ continues these opportunities, allowing for mobility to other continents (between the so-called "Programme" and "Partner Countries").

Erasmus+ now offers opportunities for students to study or train and staff to teach or train in HEIs beyond Europe. It also makes the same opportunities available for staff and students from countries beyond Europe to come to participating HEIs in Europe. This is known as International Credit Mobility and is an activity under Key Action 1 Mobility.

How to apply

The application is made on the following address https://siiue.uevora.pt/.

First, the applicant must register in the University of Évora system to obtain credentials. Then, must accessing https://siiue.uevora.pt/ with these credentials, to apply for the available grants.

In case of doubt, contact the Mobility Services of the University of Évora: mobilidade@sac.uevora.pt

Applicants must attach the following documents:

a) Students:

- Curriculum vitae;
- Copy of passport or other identification document;
- Motivation letter;
- Letters of recommendation (at least one);
- Diplomas and certificates of qualifications;
- Academic records;
- Proof of proficiency in Portuguese and / or English and / or in the language in the host country;

 Official proof of socio-economic status (if declared to have economic difficulties).

b) Staff (Teaching and Training)

b1) Incoming mobility

- Curriculum vitae;
- Copy of passport or other identification document;
- Proof of affiliation to the sending University;
- Motivation letter that shall include any experience of previous mobility programs and explain how your application will benefit their own academic and research work and how it can contribute to an improvement of procedure in your country and your institution, both in terms of teaching methods learning, whether of research and pedagogic methodologies, the joint pedagogic and research activities, the procedures of academic management and administration, yet both in terms of international quality assurance and cooperation;
- Diplomas and certificates of qualifications;
- Proof of proficiency in Portuguese and/or English, and/or in the language in the host country;
- Work plan including activities chronogram

b2) Outgoing mobility

- Curriculum vitae;
- Copy of passport or other identification document;
- Motivation letter that shall include any experience of previous mobility programs and explain how your application will benefit their own academic and research work and how it can contribute to an improvement of procedure in your country and your institution, both in terms of teaching methods learning, whether of research and pedagogic methodologies, the joint pedagogic and research activities, the procedures of academic management and administration, yet both in terms of international quality assurance and cooperation;
- Superior authorization to carry out the mobility;
- Diplomas and certificates of qualifications;
- In case of need, the right is reserved to subsequently request proof of proficiency in any of the referred in Portuguese and/or English, and/or in the language in the host country Work plan including activities chronogram.

Application deadline

The application process will open from **19 March 2024** until 0.00 hours (Portuguese hour) of **12 April 2024.** Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

In addition to the grants allocated to the coordination of the project (staff mobility for education: a grant for Cape Verde; a grant for Timor, grant for S. Tome and Principe) a total of 11 mobility grants are available, namely:

Grants available

Type of Mobility	University of Origin	University of Destination	Number of flows	Duration of each mobility including travel days	Grant per participant (€)	Level
Staff mobility for Teaching	Eduardo Mondlane University - Mozambiqu e	University of Évora - Portugal	1	12 days	1920	N/A
Staff mobility for Teaching	University of Ouaga I Professor Joseph Kizerbo - Burkina Faso	University of Évora - Portugal	1	9 days	1440	N/A
Staff mobility for Teaching	University of Évora – Portugal	Agostinho Neto University - Angola	1	11 days	1980	N/A
Staff mobility for Teaching	University of Évora – Portugal	University of Mohammed V-Agdal; Maroc	1	12 days	2160	N/A
Student mobility for Studies/ traineeship	University of Mohamme d V-Agdal; Maroc	University of Évora – Portugal	1	2 months	1700	N/A
Student mobility for Studies/ traineeship	American University in Cairo, Egypt	University of Évora – Portugal	1	2 months	1700	N/A
Staff mobility for Teaching	CRNE Gore Podgorica University - Montenegro	Universidade de Évora - Portugal	1	12 days	1920	N/A
Student mobility for Studies/ traineeship	CRNE Gore Podgorica University - Montenegro	Universidade de Évora - Portugal	1	2 months	1700	N/A
Student mobility for	University of Tirana - Albania	Universidade de Évora - Portugal	1	2 months	1700	N/A

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Studies/						
traineeship						
Student mobility for Studies/ traineeship	University of São Tomé and Príncipe	Universidade de Évora - Portugal	1	2 months	1700	N/A
Staff mobility for Teaching	University of Miami, USA	Universidade de Évora - Portugal	1	9 diays	1620	N/A

Travel: The project funding for each fellow, a round trip according to the following table:

Mozambique <> Portugal	1500€
Burkina Faso <> Portugal	530€
Angola <> Portugal	820€
Marocco <> Portugal	275€
Égypt <> Portugal	820€
Montenegro <> Portugal	360€
Albania <> Portugal	360€
S. Tome and Principe <> Portugal	820€
USA <> Portugal	1500€

Selection criteria

To students:

All applications admitted will be evaluated and graded from 1 (minimum) to 20 (maximum) in each of the three evaluation criteria:

- A. Merit of the Applicant;
- B. knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language.
- C. Number of mobilities carried out

Applicants will be ranked according to the weighted average of the score obtained in the three criteria, according to the following relative weighting: **70%** Merit of the Applicant (A); 2**0%** knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language (B), **10%** number of mobilities done, (C), converted into the following formula:

Final Score =
$$(0.70 \times A) + (0.20 \times B) + (0.10 \times C)$$

Applicants whose application is scored with a final grade lower than 50% are not eligible for studentship granting.

Criterion A - Merit of the applicant, is evaluated based on two sub-criteria:

A1. Academic performance (reflecting the academic degree grades), with a relative weight of **70%** in the Merit of the Applicant. The academic performance sub-criterion is calculated according to the final classification indicated in the academic degree certificate(s), submitted by the applicant in the application form (Graduate degree; Master degrees/Integrated Master degree)

A2. Motivation letter, with a relative weight of **30%** in the Merit of the Applicant. The classification of this sub-criterion should consider the clear identification of the applicant's motifs to submit the application.

Criterium
$$A = (A1 \times 0.7) + (A2 \times 0.3)$$

Applicants that state a degree of disability, duly proven and equal to or above 90%, shall have a bonus of 20% on criterion A – Merit of the Applicant. Applicants that state a degree of disability, duly proven, equal to or above 60% and under 90%, shall have a bonus of 10% on this criterion.

Criterion B - knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language. This criterion has a relative weight of 20% and takes into account the interest of the applicant on the host country. This criterion is intended to assess the candidate's interest in the country to which he is applying, valuing knowledge of the language of the host country and / or knowledge of the foreign language mostly spoken in that country.

Criterion C - Number of mobilities carried out. Candidates that do not have realized mobilities will be encouraged, with a supplement score of **10%** for the first mobility, decreasing proportionally the score of this criterion, according to the number of mobilities carried out within the scope of the AMIGO project.

To staff (Teaching and Training):

All applications admitted to be evaluated must be graded from 1 (minimum) to 20 (maximum) in each of the three evaluation criteria:

- A. Merit of the Applicant;
- B. Merit of the Work Programme;
- C. knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language.
- D. Number of mobilities carried out within the AMIGO project.

Applicants will be ranked according to the weighted average of the score obtained in the three criteria, according to the following relative weighting: **40%** Merit of the Applicant (A); **40%** Merit of the Work Programme (B); **10%** knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language (C); **10%** number of mobilities done, converted into the following formula (D):

Final Score =
$$(0.40 \times A) + (0.40 \times B) + (0.10 \times C) + (0.10 \times D)$$

Applicants whose application is scored with a final grade lower than 50% are not eligible for granting.

Criterion A - Merit of the applicant, is evaluated based on two sub-criteria:

- A1. Personal *Curriculum* (reflecting the professional, scientific and academic career, when applicable with emphasis on international cooperation experience). This criterium has a relative weight of **60%** in the Merit of the Applicant;
- A2. Motivation letter, with a relative weight of **20%** in the Merit of the Applicant. The classification of this sub-criterion should consider the clear identification of the applicant's motifs to submit the application.
- A3. Work carried out within the scope of the Network for Environmental Studies of Portuguese-Speaking Countries REALP. This sub-criterion has a relative weight of **20%** in the Merit of the Applicant;

Critério
$$A = (A1 \times 0.6) + (A2 \times 0.2) + (A3 \times 0.2)$$

Applicants that state a degree of disability, duly proven and equal to or above 90%, shall have a bonus of 20% on criterion A – Merit of the Applicant. Applicants that state a degree of disability, duly proven, equal to or above 60% and under 90%, shall have a bonus of 10% on this criterion.

Criterion B - Merit of the Work Programme. The merit of the work programme has a relative weight of 40% and takes into account the following two sub-criteria with same weights **50%**:

- B1 Justified relevance of the study object;
- B2 Feasibility of the work programme.

Criterium B =
$$(A1 \times 0.5) + (A2 \times 0.5)$$

Criterion C - knowledge and interest in the host country's culture and/or language. This criterion has a relative weight of 10% and takes into account the interest of the applicant on the host country. This criterion is intended to assess the candidate's interest in the country to which he is applying, valuing knowledge of the language of the host country and / or knowledge of the foreign language mostly spoken in that country.

Criterion D – Number of mobilities carried out. Candidates that do not have realized mobilities will be encouraged, with a supplement score of **10%** for the first mobility, decreasing proportionally the score of this criterion, according to the number of mobilities carried out within the scope of the AMIGO project

Eligible Scientific Area

The Scientific area eligible for application will be: *Environment and Sustainability*

The ranking of candidates is expected from 15 to 19 April, 2024 and the results of the applications will be announced until 30 April, 2024.

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