
Public Notice 9537/2025/2

Opening of an international selection procedure for the recruitment of a PhD holder within the context of the project STEXEU - The Constitutional Road to Dictatorship: States of Exception and Authoritarianism in Europe, 1900-39 (Grant Agreement 101163723)

Professor Doutor Luís Baptista, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities of the NOVA University of Lisbon (NOVA FCSH), hereby makes it public that an international selection procedure for the recruitment of a PhD holder, through an open-ended employment contract at the NOVA University of Lisbon - Faculty of Social and Human Sciences, is now open, for a period of 15 working days, to carry out scientific investigation activities as part of the project STEXEU - The Constitutional Road to Dictatorship: States of Exception and Authoritarianism in Europe, 1900-39 (GA 101163723), funded by the European Commission, through the European Research Council Executive Agency (ERCEA).

The opening of the vacancy procedure, as well as the appointment of the selection board, were authorised by order of the Executive Administrator of NOVA FCSH, within the scope of the sub-delegation of powers pursuant to point (j) of paragraph 2 of Order no. 11072/2021, of 3 November, published in the Diário da República, 2nd series, no. 219, of 11 November, as amended by Order no. 2331/2023, published in the Diário da República, 2nd series, no. 34, of 16 February, and by Order of 3 April 2025, following the favourable opinion of the NOVA FCSH Scientific Council issued on 19 March 2025.

1 - Hiring the doctoral candidate will be carried out under Decree Law No. 57/2016, of 29 August, as amended by Law No. 57/2017, of 19 July, which approves a system for hiring PhD holders to stimulate scientific and technological employment in all areas of knowledge (REC), the Labour Code, approved by Law No. 7/2009, of 12 February, in its current wording and Implementing Decree No. 11-A/2017, of 29 December.

2 - The PhD holder shall be contracted under an open-ended employment contract by legal imperative, under the terms of subparagraph b) of paragraph 1 of article 6 of the REC, ex vi, paragraph 2 of article 18 of the RJEC, and shall only remain in force for the period necessary to carry out the tasks specified in the project and identified in the following paragraph.

3 - Description of the vacancy:

The project STEXEU - The Constitutional Road to Dictatorship: States of Exception and Authoritarianism in Europe, 1900-39 aims to:

- Conduct research on states of exception, authoritarianism and the crisis of democracy in Czechoslovakia in the years 1900-1939, within the scope of the STEXEU project, but adapted to the researcher's personal proposal under the general supervision of the Principal Investigator.

- Contribute to the publications of the STEXEU project.

- Participate in the broader activities of the STEXEU project, including seminars, conferences and public engagement initiatives.

- Get involved in the academic life of NOVA and the Institute of Contemporary History.

The contracted researcher will form part of the project team, participating in the following scientific research and knowledge dissemination tasks:

To conduct historical research on authoritarianism, states of exception, and the crisis of democracy in Czechoslovakia in the years 1900-1939.

4 - Under article 2 of Implementing Decree no. 11-A/2017, of 29 December, the contract to be signed will have a base-level remuneration of € 2.351,53, in accordance with level 33 of the 1st remuneratory position.

5 - The place of work is located at the Institute of Contemporary History, situated at the Colégio Almada Negreiros – Campus de Campolide, 1099-032, and/or at other places necessary to undertake the researcher's activities.

6 - National, foreign and stateless candidates can apply holding a PhD degree, with a scientific and professional curriculum that shows a suitable profile for the activities to be undertaken.

7 - The selection of the PhD holder to be hired is carried out through assessment of the scientific and curricular background of the candidates in the selection process.

The assessment of the scientific and curricular career, taking into account the profile suitable for the activities to be undertaken, focuses on the relevance, quality and up-to-datedness of: a) the scientific, cultural and artistic production in the last five years considered most relevant by the candidate; b) the research activities developed in the last five years and considered by the candidate as having the greatest impact; c) the extension and

dissemination of knowledge activities developed in the last five years, particularly in the context of promoting scientific culture and practices, which is considered by the candidate as having the greatest relevance.

8 - The five-year period referred to in the preceding paragraph may be extended by the Jury, at the candidate's request, when justified by suspension of scientific activity for socially protected reasons, namely for reasons of parental leave, prolonged serious illness, and other situations of unavailability for work that are legally protected.

9 — The classification system for the candidates is expressed on a scale of 0 to 100 points, whereby the selection process will be made through assessing the candidates' scientific and curricular background, with a weighting of 90 points, as well as through an interview, with a weighting of 10 points.

10 - The assessment criteria for the candidates are the following:

- a) Scientific, cultural and artistic production considered most relevant by the candidate, linked to the position open for applications, with the intrinsic quality of its content being assessed (0-40 points);
- b) Research activities considered by the candidate(s) to have had the greatest impact, link to the vacant post, considering their coordination of and/or participation in research projects assessed by national or international entities; the submission of approved and non-approved applications; papers presented at scientific meetings; scientific arbitration activities; participation in networks and partnerships; the research project proposal and its activity plan (0-25 points);
- c) Extension and/or dissemination activities considered to have had the greatest impact by the candidate, linked to the post being applied for, including the organization of scientific meetings; the issuing of opinions; studies and reports for public and private entities and civil society stakeholders; spread of knowledge to extended publics; presentation of research results within the media (0-25 points).

Only candidates who achieve a minimum score of 70 points will proceed to the interview phase.

11 - The evaluation criteria for candidates during the interview are as follows:

- a. Motivation for the development of the proposed project (0-5 points);
- b. Adaptability and experience in teamwork (0-5 points).

12 - The selection board is composed as follows:

Chairperson:

Arturo Zoffmann Rodriguez, Principal Investigator of STEXEU

Active members:

Luís Trindade, director of the Institute of Contemporary History

Rubén Pérez Trujillano, researcher, Institute of Contemporary History

Substitute member:

Francesco Biagi, researcher, Institute of Contemporary History

13 - The application process must be accompanied, under penalty of exclusion, by the following documents

- a) Submission of the application form (available at template) where the present procedure is explicitly mentioned;
- b) Copy of the certificate attesting the degree of Doctor and/or, if the degree has been awarded by foreign higher education institutions, a Declaration of Honour in accordance with the specific pro forma (available at https://fcsh.unl.pt/faculdade/concursos_para_investigadores/);
- c) A copy of the applicant's curriculum vitae, organized in accordance with the systematic outline set out in paragraph 7 of this Notice;
- d) Research project referred to under point 3 and its respective Work Plan;
- e) Personal Statement.

14 - Applications should be accompanied, under penalty of exclusion, with the documents mentioned above and should be sent within 15 working days from the day following the publication of this Notice in the Official Gazette Diário da República, to the email address drhrecrutamento@fcsh.unl.pt. The subject of the email should indicate the reference in the Notice and the documents should preferably be in PDF format.

In case of doubt, the selection board may require any candidate to produce documents supporting their statements.

False statements made by candidates will be punished in accordance with the law.

Candidates are excluded from admission to the vacancy procedure if they formalise their application incorrectly or do not prove the requirements indicated for the present vacancy procedure.

15 - Only candidates who have obtained a minimum score of 70 points shall be considered eligible for hiring.

16 - If the PhD of the selected candidate has been conferred by a foreign higher education institution, its recognition shall follow the provisions of Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of 16 August, and any formalities established therein must be fulfilled by the date of the signing the contract.

The candidate ranked immediately after the first ranked candidate will be invited to the position under consideration, when the academic degree of the PhD holder is not recognised after the above-mentioned formalities have been completed.

17 - Non-discrimination and equal access policy: The NOVA University of Lisbon actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no candidate can be privileged, benefited, harmed or deprived of any right or exempt from any duty due to, in particular, 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 convictions or trade union membership.

April 3rd, 2025 — The Executive Administrator, Master Joana Pires.