

Call for Expression of interest

MSCA PostDoctoral Fellowships 2026

HOST INSTITUTION: Iscte-Knowledge and Innovation

[Iscte-Knowledge and Innovation](#) is a Center for the Value Creation and Technology Transfer (Iscte-CVTT) that stands out for its pioneering interaction between the technologies and social sciences, while contributing to the production and transmission of knowledge, closely linked to the societal challenges identified by the European Union.

Iscte-CVTT brings eight research centres, nine laboratories, eight observatories and other technological resources together under a single roof. Being anchored in the idea of transferring knowledge in social sciences and digital technologies, it offers collaborating opportunities that cut across sectors of research and innovation.

The CVTT aims to be an European reference in strategic technological areas, favouring the development of emerging sectors and the incorporation of technologies to improve the competitiveness of the business fabric.

Iscte-Knowledge and Innovation Center CVTT invites researchers interested in applying for the **Marie-Sklodowska Curie PostDoctoral Fellowships 2026 - HORIZON-MSCA-2026-PF-01-01**

We welcome applications from researchers with outstanding CV in the following scientific areas: **Social Sciences and Humanities, Management and Economics, Public Policy, Psychology, Sociology, International Studies, Anthropology, Information and Communications Technology, crosscutting areas of Digital Design, Mixed Realities, Data Science, Engineering, Construction and Architecture**, to submit their Expressions of interest to Iscte-CVTT.

In addition to the scientific and institutional support provided throughout the application and project implementation process, MSCA Fellows may also benefit from **affordable accommodation in one of the university's residence halls**, with fixed and accessible rates within the Lisbon area.

The additional advantages of applying for the MSCA Post-Doctoral Fellowship with Iscte-CVTT as the host institution include the additional funding within

the WIDENING program provided by the European Commission: Fostering balanced brain circulation – **ERA Fellowships**

It promotes the mobility of the candidates of any nationality applying for the PostDoctoral fellowship in a host institution from a [WIDENING countries](#) of Horizon Europe program, which **includes Portugal**.

Candidates applying for the MSCA PostDoctoral fellowship who do not succeed to obtain the funding, will have the additional opportunity to obtain the funding through the **ERA Fellowships** without having to resubmit their application.

Candidates may be of any nationality, have defended their PhD within the last 8 years, and should not have resided or performed their principal research activity in Portugal for more than 12 months before **September 9th of 2026**, according to the [rules of the MSCA-PostDoctoral funding program](#).

Candidates that applied for the 2025 call for MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships having received a score of less than 70% are not eligible to apply in 2026.

For more information please visit <https://www.iscte-iul.pt/>, or contact directly the selected [Research Unit](#) or the Research Support Office (gai@iscte-iul.pt).

Please check the Guide on how to submit the Expression of interest in the next page.

Submission Guide

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in HOST INSTITUTION - **Iscte-Knowledge and Innovation**

The closing date for the Marie-Sklodowska Curie PostDoctoral Fellowships 2026 [HORIZON-MSCA-2026-PF-01-01](#) call is **9th September 2026**.

The candidates are advised to submit their Expression of interest to Iscte **before 19th July 2026**.

The Expression of interest should include the following information:

1. **Summary of the work plan** with defined objectives (up to 500 words)
2. **Scientific area** (Management and Economics, Sociology and Public Policy, Social Sciences and Humanities, Information and Communications Technology and Architecture)
3. **Curriculum vitae** (last 5 years)
4. Identification of one or more [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDG) to be covered by the project proposal
5. Preference to be hosted by one of the Iscte's **Research Units** (listed below).

The candidates will be informed within the max 10 working days of the results of the evaluation process.

The Expression of interest should be submitted by email to gai@iscte-iul.pt with the subject "**MSCA-PF-2026: name of the candidate- Expression of interest**".

The selected candidates will be able to submit their application to the open MSCA- PostDoctoral Fellowships 2026 [HORIZON-MSCA-2026-PF-01-01](#) call with Iscte-CVTT as their host institution.

At the host institution, Iscte Research Support Office and associated Research Unit will offer support to the applicants within the application

process and provide all the necessary accompanying institutional documentation.

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Iscte-CVTT **Research Units:**

1. **BRU-Iscte**, Business Research Unit, <http://bru-unide.iscte-iul.pt/>
2. **CEI-Iscte**, Center for International Studies / Centro de Estudos Internacionais, <https://cei.iscte-iul.pt/>
3. **CIES-Iscte**, Centro de Investigação e Estudos de Sociologia, <http://www.cies.iscte-iul.pt/>
4. **CIS-Iscte**, Centro de Investigação e Intervenção Social / Centre for Psychological Research and Social Intervention, <http://www.cis.iscte-iul.pt/>
5. **CRIA-Iscte**, Centro em Rede de Investigação em Antropologia, Polo ISCTE-IUL / Centre for Research in Anthropology, Iscte division, <https://cria.org.pt/en>
6. **DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte**, Centro de Estudos sobre a Mudança Socioeconómica e o Território/ Centre for Socioeconomic and Territorial Studies, <https://www.dinamiacet.iscte-iul.pt/>
7. **ISTAR-Iscte**, Information Sciences and Technologies and Architecture Research Centre, <http://istar.iscte-iul.pt/>
8. **IT-Iscte**, Instituto de Telecomunicações, Iscte Polo / Institute for telecommunications research, Iscte branch, <https://www.it.pt/ITSites/Index/8>