

**International call for applications for the recruitment of 1 Junior Researcher in the
field of Public Law (International Legal Sciences)**

Notice No. 803/2025

Under the terms of Order No. 181/2023, of January 4, by delegation of powers, the Director of the Faculty of Law of NOVA University Lisbon – NOVA School of Law, Prof. Margarida Lima Rego, hereby announces that, by order of April 10, 2025, an international document competition is open for a period of 15 days, from the day following the publication of the Notice (extract) in the Diário da República (Official Gazette), an international documentary competition, with the internal reference “12025_IJ”, for the recruitment of 1 Junior Researcher in the area of Public Law (International Legal Sciences), under a fixed-term employment contract, pursuant to Decree-Law No. 57/2016, of August 29, amended by Law No. 57/2017, of July 19, within the scope of the project entitled “Portugal, Public International Law during the Cold War and the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees” - POLITIC, funded (part of the State Budget by the Foundation for Science and Technology, with reference 2023.15100.PEX.

In accordance with Article 9(h) of the Constitution of the Portuguese Republic, NOVA University Lisbon, as an employer, actively promotes a policy of equal opportunities between men and women in access to employment and professional advancement, taking scrupulous care to avoid any form of discrimination. In this sense, terms such as “candidate,” “selected,” “recruited,” “appointed,” “author,” “researcher,” among others that refer to persons applying for the competition, are not used in this Notice to refer to their gender.

I. Place of Work:

- II.** The place of work will be at the premises of the Faculty of Law - NOVA School of Law, currently located at the Campolide Campus.

III. Description of the position:

Seeking to address this gap, POLITIC will investigate Portuguese governmental acts (1958-1960), as well as the legal and political works of key mainland Portuguese authors and figures from the colonies (1950s-1974). The project has three main objectives:

1. To understand better the relationship between Portugal's accession to the Refugee Convention and the Cold War;
2. To shed light on the relationship between authoritarianism, the Cold War and the Refugee Convention;
3. To contribute to debates on the legacies of the Cold War in contemporary times.

The main tasks of the postdoctoral researcher will be :

- to conduct research (including gather and organize the primary sources, including by digitalizing the relevant physical archival sources, organize the bibliography, draft the literature review, analyze the relevant sources in light of the project's objectives and main argument)
- ensure the successful realization of the intermediary draft of a co-authored article based on the conducted research, based on the results based on the conducted archival research and the relevant writings of Portuguese authors of the period;
- provide support in the organization and communication of the project's events, together with NOVA School of Law's administrative staff when relevant.
- participate in meetings: weekly meetings with the PI (Veronica Corcodel) and monthly meetings with both the PI and the second team member (Jeremy Sarkin).
- communicate with the consultants of the project when necessary, for obtaining feedback.

IV. Remuneration Positioning:

The definition of placement is based on the remuneration levels for the categories listed in Annex I of the Scientific Research Career Statute, approved by Decree-Law No. 124/99 of April 20, in its current wording, and in accordance with Regulatory Decree No. 11-A/2017 of December 29, corresponding to the 1st remuneration position, remuneration level 33, which corresponds to the amount of €2,351.53.

V. Type and Duration:

1. This competitive selection process is intended to select a doctoral candidate to carry out scientific research activities under a fixed-term employment contract, the basis of which is the performance of a specific, precisely defined and non-permanent service, with the contract being financed by whatever means, regardless of the source of funding.
2. The fixed-term contract shall last for the time necessary to perform the tasks, nine months, or for as long as the respective cause subsists, but may not exceed the maximum limit of six years, as provided for in Article 6(3) of Decree-Law No. 57/2016 of August 29.

VI. Admission requirements for candidates:

- National, foreign, and stateless candidates who hold a doctorate in the scientific field of the competition or in related fields may apply for this competition. If qualifications were obtained abroad, candidates must provide proof of recognition, equivalence, or registration of the degree, in accordance with applicable legislation. This formality must be completed by the date of contract signing.;
- Record of publications in relevant fields in international peer-reviewed journals
- Relevant scientific curriculum vitae in the field of the competition
- Minimum fluency in English: B2;
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VII. Preferential requirements:

- Proven experience in research in the field of international refugee law;
- Previous participation in projects funded by national or European entities;

VIII. Submission of applications:

1. Applications must be submitted in digital format, sent by email (recrutamento@novalaw.unl.pt), indicating the reference number contained in the Notice, by the 15th working day following the date of publication of the Notice (extract) in the Diário da República (Official Gazette).
2. Applications must be accompanied by the following documentation:
 - a) Application form, using the form available *online* at https://novalaw.unl.pt/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Formulario_concursos_docentes_PT.pdf
 - b) Scanned copy of the certificate proving the degree of doctorate in the scientific area of the competition;
 - c) Curriculum vitae of the candidate, which must include:
 - I. The identifications “Researcher ID,” “Scopus Author ID,” and “Google Scholar ID.”
 - II. Research and development activities and all other activities considered relevant to this competition, in accordance with the terms of this notice;
 - d) Published works mentioned in the curriculum vitae, namely the most representative ones, with regard to their contribution to the development and evolution of the scientific area in which the competition is open;
 - e) A sworn statement that if the jury decides to request the documentation indicated in the previous paragraphs or any other scientific documentation mentioned in the candidate's curriculum vitae, it will be delivered within 10 working days;
 - f) A cover letter describing how their knowledge and experience can contribute to the development of the project mentioned in point II of this notice;
 - g) Other documents that candidates deem relevant for the analysis of their application.

3. If a member of the jury does not have a command of the Portuguese language, the documents relating to the pronunciation test at the preliminary hearing of candidates and any complaints to be considered by the jury must be submitted in English.

IX. Interview

1. The Jury will decide at its first meeting whether it is necessary to interview all or some of the candidates.
2. The interview will account for a maximum of 10% of the total assessment.
3. The interview aims to clarify or explain information contained in the candidates' Curriculum Vitae.

X. Selection methods:

1. The selection method to be used is curriculum evaluation.
2. The curriculum evaluation criteria adopted are as follows:
 - a. Scientific output in the last five years (40%). This criterion will be assessed on the basis of scientific publications — articles in scientific journals, books, chapters in books, reports on R&D projects, peer-reviewed working papers and proceedings of scientific meetings — conference presentations, organization of national or international scientific events, and awards;
 - b. Research activities in the last five years (40%). This criterion will be assessed based on participation in national or international research activities and/or research projects;
 - c. Extension activities and dissemination of knowledge developed in the last five years (20%), namely the promotion and monitoring of scientific culture and practice and the dissemination of knowledge and research results to society, for academic and non-academic audiences.

3. The jury will evaluate the candidates' curricula in accordance with the criteria adopted, using a scale of 0 to 100, with the final classification being obtained by the average of the scores awarded by each member of the jury.

XI. Admission on merit:

Candidates who obtain a score equal to or higher than 70 points are considered to have passed on merit, with the remaining candidates being excluded from the competition process as the jury considers that they do not have a scientific and professional curriculum vitae that reveals a profile suitable for the position in question.

XII. Classification and final ranking

The final classification of each candidate corresponds to the score obtained in the curriculum evaluation, and the jury is responsible for drawing up the ranking list of successful candidates with their respective classifications.

XIII. Hearing of interested parties

1. The lists of admitted and excluded candidates, as well as the final ranking and order of candidates, shall be subject to a hearing of interested parties, in accordance with the provisions of Articles 121 and 122 of the Administrative Procedure Code, with interested parties being notified by email.

- XIV.** 2. The competition process may be consulted by candidates at the Human Resources Management Service, in accordance with the notification referred to in the previous point.

XV. Composition of the Selection Committee:

In accordance with Article 13 of Decree-Law No. 57/2016, the jury is composed of:

President: Prof.^a Veronica Corcodel, NOVA School of Law

Members:

Prof. Jeremy Sarkin, NOVA School of Law;

Prof. Nausica Palazzo, NOVA School of Law;

Prof. Ana Cristina Nogueira da Silva, NOVA School of Law;;

Prof. Laura Íñigo Alvarez , NOVA School of Law.

XVI. Data Protection

In accordance with the GDPR – General Data Protection Regulation, the data collected will be processed exclusively for the purpose of processing the application.

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Lisbon, April 10th 2025

The Dean, Professora Doutora Margarida Lima Rego