



# MARATONA DA SAÚDE AWARDS FOR CANCER RESEARCH

#### NOTICE OF CALL

(Please note: The Portuguese version of this Notice of Call prevails over the English version).

Following the protocol signed between the <u>Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P.</u> (FCT) and the <u>Maratona da Saúde</u> (MdS), a call for proposals is launched for the Maratona da Saúde Awards for Cancer Research. This Protocol stipulates support of FCT in the proposal of the composition of the evaluation jury as well as in receipt of applications and their submission to the MdS Awards Jury.

The MdS Awards, aimed at promoting Portuguese scientific research in different areas of biomedicine, are funded through donations raised during the MdS annual television event, broadcast by RTP (Portuguese Radio and Television) and other funds obtained throughout the year through initiatives undertaken by MdS. In addition to donations from the general public, in this first edition MdS received support from many partners who joined this cause, and whose names may be found on the MdS website.

#### **SCOPE**

The MdS Awards for Cancer Research will distinguish the four best scientific research projects in the field of cancer, to be developed for a maximum period of two years, and starting between April and October 2015. Applications that involve partnerships between research institutions based in Portugal and hospitals or other national or international health institutions are encouraged. The Awards are intended for Portuguese or foreign researchers and physicians, who will have completed their PhD at least two years prior to the opening date of the call.

#### **FUNDING**

Four awards, of €25 000 (twenty five thousand euros) each, will be awarded.

#### **APPLICATION PERIOD**

Applications should be submitted between 15 September, and 5:00 pm (Lisbon time) on 31 October 2014.

## **EVALUATION AND SELECTION**

Evaluation of proposals is carried out by a jury proposed by FCT, comprising scientists of well-established international merit in the field of biomedicine.

The process of evaluation and selection of proposals is based on the following criteria:

- Scientific merit, relevance and expected results of the proposed research;
- Scientific output of the principal investigator and / or of the research team and their qualifications to develop the project;
- Feasibility of the work programme and budget suitability.

After the best proposals are ranked, the Scientific Council of MdS validates the jury's decision and conveys its recommendation to the Mds Board for the final decision on granting the awards.

## **SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS**

Applications should be sent to <u>premios.maratonadasaude@fct.pt</u>, using the <u>application form</u> available on the FCT website, together with the *curriculum vitae* of the principal investigator.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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For further information please see also the <u>Regulation</u>.