

**The T-AP Digging into Data Challenge  
Request for Proposals  
Addendum for Applicants to the  
Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT)  
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Note: This addendum to the T-AP Digging into Data Challenge Request for Proposals contains agency-specific information for US-based institutions applying to the program. Please see the Digging into Data Challenge Web site, [www.diggingintodata.org](http://www.diggingintodata.org), for links to the main RFP and the RFP Addenda for all funders.

## I Award Information

The maximum funding per project for up to 3 years duration is 62.500,00 Euros, to be shared between participating Portuguese institutions.

## II Eligibility and Eligible costs

**The funding of the Portuguese participation in a transnational project must follow the *Regulations governing access to funding for scientific research and technological development projects* at: <http://www.fct.pt/apoios/projectos/regulamento.phtml.en>**

The following entities having legal authority to enter into contracts may, either individually or jointly, submit proposals for funding of the projects:

- Higher Education Institutions, their institutes and R&D centres;
- Associate Laboratories;
- State Laboratories;
- Private non-profit institutions whose main objective is to carry out S&T activities;
- Companies;
- Other public and private non-profit institutions which carry out or participate in scientific research activities.

**For this specific Joint Transnational Call, Portuguese applicants can only submit one (1) application as Principal Investigator.**

The following costs borne by the recipients and incurred exclusively in the execution of the projects are considered eligible:

- Human resources;
- Missions directly related to the project;
- Consultants;
- Acquisition of goods and services;
- Registration of patents;
- Adaptation of buildings and facilities when essential to carrying out the project;
- Acquisition of scientific and technical instruments;
- Overheads up to a limit of 20% of the eligible direct costs.

#### *Human resources*

The funding can be used for personnel who are employed specifically for the project and dedicated to SR&TD activities, including costs of grant recipients and fixed-term contracts. The funding of grants shall comply with the norms for the award of grants in SR&TD projects:

<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/normasbolsasemprojectosunidades.phtml.en>

FCT will not fund private industrial partners or personnel costs of permanent staff.

#### *Payments made to companies*

Payments made to companies may not exceed 50% of the total cost of the company's participation. During the execution of the project, the recipients should present to Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT) the documents related to the total expenses made.

### III Application and Submission Information

Applicants should submit their application electronically via the call website as described in the main RFP.

A "Declaration of Commitment" must be signed and stamped by each Portuguese applicant in a transnational project by the Head of the Portuguese applicant organisation and by the Portuguese Principal Investigator. A scanned copy of the duly signed and stamped "Declaration of Commitment", in accordance with the template provided at [http://www.fct.pt/apoios/cooptrans/eranets/docs/Declaracao\\_Compromisso\\_FCT\\_Editavel.pdf](http://www.fct.pt/apoios/cooptrans/eranets/docs/Declaracao_Compromisso_FCT_Editavel.pdf), must be sent, by e-mail, to the FCT's contact person no later than 10 working days after the proposal submission deadline. FCT may request the original document at a later date.