

One fixed-term contract to a TECHNICIAN position (**Reference ICETA 2021-11**) is available at CIBIO-InBIO, through ICETA-University of Porto, funded by the project “Ecology and physiology of plastic sex differences in ornamentation”, with reference PTDC/BIA-ECO/32210/2017, financed by national funds through FCT/MCTES, in the scientific area of Biological Sciences, scientific sub area of Behavioural Ecology.

**Type of contract:** fixed-term contract

**Starting date:** July 2021

**Duration:** 5 months

**Scientific area:** Biological sciences, behavioural ecology

**Monthly salary:** Level 19 of the Consolidated Table of Allowances (TRU) 1.411,67 Euros € before tax.

**Job description:**

We are seeking to recruit a technician to maintain a research aviary and collaborate in behavioural research within the above-mentioned project. The work will involve keeping birds of the species *Estrilda astrild* in outdoor and in indoor aviaries, maintaining an electronic system to monitor the birds, periodically measuring morphology, ornamental colour and behaviour, aid in laboratory tasks and keeping associated databases.

CIBIO/InBIO fosters an international and multicultural research environment, currently hosting researchers from more than 17 countries. Working at CIBIO/InBIO gives you an opportunity to apply your skills and energy to support activities on biodiversity, ecology and conservation.

**Admission requirements:**

MSc in Biological Sciences, Animal Behaviour or related areas.

Desired skills and competencies that will be valued are:

- Experience with common waxbills (*Estrilda astrild*) or other passerine birds;
- Experience with maintaining birds in research aviaries;
- Experience managing and analysing large databases.

The candidate should be able to work well within a team, and is expected that the candidate possesses strong troubleshooting and problem-solving skills.

**Work place**

Work will be conducted at the headquarters of CIBIO/InBIO in the Campus Agrário de Vairão, 4485-661 Vairão, Vila do Conde, Portugal.

**Application**

The call for applications is open between 01/04/2021 to 15/04/2021 (24:00 GMT). The applications are formalized at the electronic address <http://www.cibio.pt> with following documents in a digital form, in PDF format and will include: a) Curriculum vitae (with contact; academic degree(s) obtained and/or professional and technical training; scientific, professional

and technical experience; and list of outputs; b) Motivation Letter (a short explanation, ca. 200 words, of why the candidate is suitable for the announced position).

### **Selection criteria**

Candidates will be ranked based on:

- The relevance of work experience with passerine birds in general and with waxbills in particular (50%)
- Quality of the academic curriculum (30%)
- Motivation for applying to this position (20%)

### **Jury Composition**

Gonçalo C. Cardoso, PhD

Sandra Trigo, PhD

Marta Soares, PhD

### **Results announcement**

Candidates will be directly informed by email about the result of their application. The ranking of the candidates will be published at a visible and public area of ICETA facilities.