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, 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_Edited.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.