

Support for researchers





The University of Aveiro is continuously working to become one of the foremost research organizations in Europe and a major player in the construction of the European Research Area. Therefore, it strongly encourages its researchers to create ties with their colleagues in Portugal and in other countries, by responding jointly to calls for proposals for national and international funding programs, having in place a dedicated office to support those activities.

The Research Support Office (RSO) is constituted by a team of 3 officers, Luísa Sal, Tatiana Costa and Vera Fernandes, led by Artur Silva, Vice-rector for Research, Innovation and 3rd Cycle.

It provides support to research activity across all disciplines at the University, assisting UA research community in its efforts to secure external funding (regional, national, international, awards and prizes) by providing high quality administrative, technical, contracting and financial services (Pre-Award phase, budget evaluation and validation) to ensure proper management of those funds and to minimize the risk to university resources.

RSO work splits across a number of core activities:

- 1) research development – working with faculty and researchers to identify funding opportunities and bring together interdisciplinary groups of researchers with common interests; dissemination of funding information and partnership opportunities, as well as training in applying for grants;
- 2) strategy support and implementation – including support and coordination strategic activities/projects and technical and interface support to the Coordination of Research Units and Associated Laboratories of the UA;
- 3) research grants and contracts – provision of advice on costing and submission of grant applications and University authorization for submission, responsibility for negotiating contract terms with funders and collaboration agreements with other HEIs and public sector collaborators.

RSO works closely with colleagues in Financial Management and Human Resources (sGFRH), Technology Transfer Office (UATEC) and Juridical Support team.



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