



**Universidade de Évora
Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre**

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Applications for Admission: Doutoramento em Economia Circular (Circular Economy)
Academic Year 2025/2026

1. The program is promoted by

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada
Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre

2. Study program in Consortium

- a. **Type of Consortium:** National
- b. **Type of Consortium:** Diploma to be awarded by all Partner Institutions together, pursuant to Article 42 of Decree-Law No. 74/2006, of 24 March, in its current republication
- c. **Type of Agreement:** Rotating (administrative-financial management under the responsibility of the edition host institution)
- d. **Coordinator Institution:** Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre
- e. **Partner Institutions:**
 - Universidade de Évora
 - Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre
- f. **Specific Regulation:** No
- g. **Host Institution:** Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre
- h. **Applications place:**
 - Instituto Politécnico de Portalegre
 - **Application dates and information:** Applications will be accepted exclusively online, on the website of the Polytechnic Institute of Portalegre.

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The first application phase will take place in March 2025.
- i. **Executive Program Committee:**

Prof. Luís Loures (Coordenador) Prof. Vasco Fitas da Cruz (Coordenador na Universidade de Évora) Prof. Paulo Ferreira Prof. Diogo de Rezende Coelho

3. Program description

This program provide advanced theoretical, methodological and contextual training and promote research through the integration of skills in circular economy. It is intended, through collaboration with the business sector in the CE area, to contribute to solving companies' problems, basing teaching on PBL (Project Based Learning) activities, in an innovative and integrated way, contributing to the optimization of value chains particular to the regions. The CE is aimed at providing students with transversal, technical and scientific skills capable of promoting the circular economy in a widespread way in different sectors of the economy, vital for the pursuit of sustainable development objectives. The proposing HEIs have as previously defined as objective the promotion of circular economy, contributing for the environmental, economic and social sustainability of their activities and the teaching they provide, with compliance with the SDGs of the 2030 agenda being a commitment of both HEIs.

4. Career opportunities

Public administration, business sector, teaching and research

5. Number of registration at DGES

R/A-Cr 150/2024

6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES

NCE/24/2400230

7. General conditions of access and admission

i Legal conditions for access to the cycle of studies leading to the doctorate (doctor) degree (Ph.D.degree)

Those who meet the following conditions may apply to the cycle of studies that leads to the doctorate (doctor) degree (Ph.D.degree)

- Holders of the master degree or legal equivalent;
- Holders of a bachelor degree who have a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum vitae that is recognized as attesting the capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the relevant scientific body of the higher education institution they wish to be admitted to;
- Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum vitae that is recognised as attesting the capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the relevant scientific body of the higher education institution they wish to be admitted to.

ii Specific admission conditions

The following may apply for a 3rd cycle of studies leading to a PhD:

- a) Holders of a master's degree or equivalent in the areas of environment, agricultural sciences, biological sciences, management and manufacturing industries or related fields. Exceptionally, other students with a master's degree or equivalent in different areas may be admitted, provided it is considered appropriate by the statutorily competent body.

b) Holders of a bachelor's degree with a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum that is recognized as demonstrating capacity to undertake this cycle of studies by the legally and statutorily competent scientific body of the higher education institution where they intend to be admitted;

c) Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as demonstrating capacity to undertake this cycle of studies by the legally and statutorily competent scientific body. d) The recognition referred to in points a) and b) only grants access to the doctoral degree program and does not confer on its holder the equivalence to a bachelor's or master's degree, or its recognition.

The following may apply for a 3rd cycle of studies leading to a doctoral degree:

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b) Holders of a bachelor's degree, possessing a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum that is recognized as attesting to the capacity to undertake this cycle of studies by the legally and statutorily competent scientific body of the HEI where they intend to be admitted;

c) Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as demonstrating the capacity to undertake this cycle of studies by the legally and statutorily competent scientific body.

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8. Selection Process

- Academic Qualifications: 60%
 - Level of qualifications: 70%
 - Area of qualifications: 30%
- Curriculum Analysis: 40%
 - Participation in research projects: 65%
 - Professional Experience in the area of the program or related fields: 35%

9. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 10
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 5

Depending on the number of applications, there may be transfer of vacancies from the international students applications to the European Union students applications or vice-versa.

10. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1 500,00 €
- Candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 2 500,00 €

11. Organization / Duration

- a. **Duration of the program:** 6 semesters
- b. **Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 180

12. Language(s) of teaching

- Portuguese

13. Learning Type

Presential

14. Schedule type

After-work

15. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Friday from 18pm

Saturday morning

16. Program starting date

October de 2025

May 5, 2026

The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar