

PREAMBLE

The Singular Research Centre in Intelligent Technologies (CiTIUS, citius.usc.es) was created by the University of Santiago de Compostela (USC) within the framework of the Singular Research Centres Network (CCSSI), which constitute the main axis of the Campus Vida project (Campus of International Excellence).

CiTIUS was created in 2010 and inaugurated in September 2012 with the aim of becoming a reference research centre, distinguished by the excellence and impact of its research and its commitment to the demands of society. The objective of CiTIUS is to carry out multidisciplinary and cutting-edge research in the field of Intelligent Technologies. CiTIUS also has a recruitment and training programme aimed at incorporating research personnel with capacity to be future leaders in research lines of scientific excellence and socio-economic impact.

In order to achieve these objectives, CiTIUS has a self-demanding organisational structure, based on four basic organisational requirements: (1) competitive selection of research staff by an External Scientific Advisory Board (SAB); (2) formal affiliation of selected research staff with criteria and guidelines for affiliation and permanence on the basis of a continuous evaluation of their activity carried out by the SAB; (3) scientific programming formulated on the basis of measurable strategic planning within the framework of a Contract Programme linked to the fulfilment of objectives; (4) executive scientific management that integrates the capabilities of the centre's research staff and ensures the progress of the programmes.

The centre currently has 30 affiliation researchers, who are organised around the centre's eight scientific programmes. Nine years after the inauguration of the centre, the CiTIUS management considers it appropriate to identify a limited number of new affiliated researchers who can reinforce the centre's scientific capacities.

It should be stressed that the associated research staff are key to the external image of the centre and to its scientific success and, therefore, are subject to continuous and rigorous evaluation of their scientific results. This evaluation may have consequences for their future continuity as research staff associated to the centre.

Based on these premises, we are launching this **Call for applications for CiTIUS affiliation**.

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

This call for applications is open to teaching and research candidates who meet the following requirements:

- Teaching and research candidates with a permanent affiliation to the institution to which they belong. In the case of researchers from outside the USC, the corresponding institutional agreement must be signed.
- Postdoctoral research candidates contracted at the USC under competitive HR programmes, or under the centre's research projects.

Candidates must accredit a high level of publications related to the main thematic areas of CiTIUS and show a proven ability to attract external financial resources.

In the case of candidates who are currently collaborating with a CiTIUS research team, they must indicate the relevant individual contributions that justify their application for affiliation.

As for the rest of the applicants, our priority is to incorporate new research candidates with complementary scientific experience, which will contribute to strengthening the centre's capacities and the coherence of our scientific programmes. This complementarity and the candidate's previous experience in collaborative research projects related to the main thematic areas of CiTIUS must be highlighted in the application.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS FOR ATTACHMENT

The deadline for applications is 3rd December 2021 at 14:00 (CEST). The application should be sent to citius@usc.es in .pdf format, using the attached form: [download application](#).

SELECTION PROCESS

The evaluation and selection process will be carried out by the CiTIUS External Scientific Advisory Board.

The formal appointment as affiliated researcher of the chosen candidates will have to be approved by the CiTIUS Governing Committee, through the signing of a formal commitment to the strategic objectives and organisational policy of the centre..

CONTACT

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