





PhD RESEARCHER POSITION (ICP1) IN AQUAIMPACT PROJECT ("Genomic and nutritional innovations for genetically superior farmed fish to improve efficiency in European aquaculture"), FUNDED BY THE HORIZON 2020 PROGRAMME (GRANT AGREEMENT No 818367), FOR THE PERIOD 2019-2022.

# BACKGROUND

The Science and Technology Park Foundation (FCPCT) of the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ULPGC) - Spain offers a PhD Researcher contract to work in the EU AQUAIMPACT project during 47 months.

AQUAIMPACT is a major effort to integrate the fields of fish breeding and nutrition to increase the competiveness of EU's aquaculture of Atlantic salmon, rainbow trout, gilthead seabream and European seabass, to ensure food and nutrition security and to satisfy consumer demands for high-quality seafood with limited environmental impact. These four species together represent 75% in volume and 89% in value of the total farmed finfish production. AquaIMPACT will develop products and services based on genomic selection for the European aquaculture breeding industry, with focus on cost efficient trait recording and genotyping, and selection for traits that can only be recorded under commercial conditions.

The University will recruit the best candidate following the recommendations of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers. The job offer will be published through a wide range of portals. The evaluation of candidates and their selection criteria will be aligned with the ULPGC policies on equal opportunities. Selection and hiring procedures will follow transparent mechanisms according to national and regional legislation.

The selection committee will be composed by Mr. Antonio Marcelino Santana González (General Manager of Fundación Canaria Parque Científico y Tecnológico at the ULPGC), Ms. Almudena Suárez (who will act as secretary of the commission), Mr. Daniel Montero Vitores (AQUAIMPACT coordinator at ULPGC, who will act as President of the Commission), Ms. Marisol Izquierdo López (Director of IU-ECOAQUA) and D. Juan Manuel Afonso López (Director of Aquaculture Research Group - GIA).

## PREREQUISITES

Candidates must comply with the following conditions:

- 1. Nationality:
  - a. Spanish nationality or that of one of the other member states of the European Union.
  - b. Whatever his nationality, spouses of Spaniards and nationals of other Member States of the European Union.

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- c. People included into International Agreements concluded by the European Union and ratified by Spain, related to free movement of workers.
- d. Foreign candidates not included in the above paragraphs, legally resident in Spain.
- 2. Age: Be over eighteen.
- 3. Degrees: PhD degree in one of the following fields: Marine Sciences / Biology. Applicants with qualifications obtained abroad must hold the corresponding validation/credential certifying, where appropriate, the homologation.
- 4. Research experience: have been beneficiary of a grant in the context of the National Programme for the Promotion of Talent and Its Employability of the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities.
- 5. Professional experience: Proven experience of at least 2 years in the aquaculture sector.
- 6. Languages: demonstrable ability to work in English.

#### WORKING CONDITIONS

This temporary contract is related to specific work and services to be developed by the ULPGC in the context of AQUAIMPACT project.

More specifically the tasks to be performed are:

- Data analysis (biochemical, genetics, enzyme assays) morphological and pathological analysis in the context of AQUAIMPACT project.
- Morphology analysis of samples, including image analysis.
- Scientific coordination of data and reports. Dissemination and communication activities (publications, articles, communications at national and international congress and seminars) of the results in the context of AQUAIMPACT project.
- Attendance at meetings of the AQUAIMPACT project.

The contract may conclude in case of funding shortfall. This position requires full-time dedication. Gross salary: 2.416,70 €/month.

The expected start date for this contract is mid-February 2019, and the total duration is 47 months. The selected person will work for AQUAIMPACT Project at the Institute of Sustainable Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems (IU-ECOAQUA) of the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ULPGC), Canary Islands, Spain.

Further information about the Science and Technology Park Foundation (FCPCT) of the ULPGC, SIANI and the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ULPGC) can be found in their websites:





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# **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

The application must include:

- ID Card or passport
- Academic records (University certificates must be ratified in Spain)
- Work experience certificates
- Copy of publications related to this position
- Language certificates
- Curriculum Vitae
- The form included in Annex I of this call

#### **EVALUATION**

The following items and scores will be taken into account in order to evaluate the application:

- 1. Professional experience in the aquaculture sector (Max. 4 points):
- Professional experience as researcher in regional, National and International R&I projects, developed in public and private research centres. Only further experience in addition to the 12 months required in prerequisites will be evaluated (0.05 points/month).

## 2. Scientific merits (Max. 5 points)

- Postdoctoral fellowship in competitive R&I programmes (0.5 points/year; max. 1.5 points).
- Articles published in indexed scientific journals and books chapters (0.2 points/article; max. 3 points).
- International Symposium contributions (0.02 points/presentation; max. 0.5 points).

## 3. Academic experience (Max. 1 points)

- Teaching experience and supervision of postgraduate students (0.2 points/students; max. 1 point).

## 4. Interview (Max. 10 points)

The selection committee reserves the right to not regularize the contract in case that no candidate fulfills the necessary experience required for this position.





#### SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

Documents, together with the form included in Annex I must be submitted before the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to the following address:

Fundación Canaria Parque Científico Tecnológico de la ULPGC C/ Practicante Ignacio González s/n Edificio Polivalente III – 1ª planta Campus Universitario de Tafira Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Las Palmas, SPAIN

The subject of the documents should include "Research contract for AQUAIMPACT project".

Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, 28th January 2019

#### General Manager at Fundación Canaria Parque Científico y Tecnológico ULPGC Mr. Antonio Marcelino Santana González



# <u>Annex I</u>

## Submission form

Mr/Mrs			with
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Phone num	oer:		
E-mail addre	ess:		

In the context of the vacancy announced by Fundación Canaria Parque Científico Tecnológico (FCPCT) of the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, regarding a PhD Researcher position (ICP1) for the European project *AQUAIMPACT* funded by the Horizon 2020 Programme for the period 2019-2022.

## REQUESTS

To be admitted as a candidate for this position according to the evaluation criteria described in the call.

According to the Spanish laws on data protection, I authorize the FCPCT to include my data in their records in order to participate in the selection process.

[Place and date]

Signature The candidate