



## **UMOVE(ME) 2019**

University of **Minho** **OVER**seas **Mobility** **E**xperience

**Results of the 1<sup>st</sup> call - Students**

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Following the application period for the **UMove(ME) 2019** Erasmus ICM, KA107 project, between 08/10/2019 – 15/11/2019, the Universidade do Minho (UMinho), Coordinating Institution, received a total of 569 applications.

As per project's guidelines, UMinho was responsible for receiving and validating all applications submitted within the above-mentioned deadline. From the submitted applications, a total of 431 were rejected as none or not all requested documents were submitted. The applicants were informed, and an opportunity was given for providing evidence of the expenditure of the requested documents.

All validated applications were sent to the Home HEI for evaluation of the applicants using the following criteria:

- (i) Academic background and merit: 0 to 8 points
- (ii) Relevance of the study/work plan: 0 to 6 points
- (iii) CV: 0 to 3 points
- (iv) English or Portuguese language knowledge: 0 to 3 points.

All partner HEIs sent the requested information. From the 138 pre-selected applications by UMinho, a total of 24 were not approved by the Home institution, 5 applications were not evaluated by the Home institution and 1 student dropped-out.

Due to the large number of pre-selected applicants and the level of quality of the applications, it was decided that priority would be given to candidates that never had the opportunity to participate in mobility programmes. Furthermore, all applications assessed with a score equal or lower than 10 points would be immediately rejected by UMinho, and all those scored between above 10 and equal to 14 points would be considered as reserve list. Exception made to situations where there was only one candidate from a specific country. In such cases, the applicant was considered for selection.

Therefore, all applications assessed with more than 14 points (98) were forwarded for the analysis of potential host Schools/Institutes, which, in turn, gave a positive or negative evaluation to the applications, based on the following criteria:

- (i) Academic background and merit: 0 to 8 points
- (ii) Relevance of the study/work plan: 0 to 6 points
- (iii) CV: 0 to 3 points
- (iv) English or Portuguese language knowledge: 0 to 3 points.



After the evaluation of the Host Institution, 14 applications were excluded due to negative evaluation from UMinho. At the end of the process UMinho had a total of 84 viable applicants. Due to the reduced number of scholarships, other criteria of selection had to be implemented so that a balanced distribution of scholarships between Partner universities could be respected. When relevant, UMinho decided that Partner universities that did not have any selected candidates on the previous call would have priority within this call. Whenever possible, a balance of 1 scholarship per Partner institution was implemented so that there would be grants for all Partners. In the cases where the available grants were less than the number of Partners UMinho decided that the grant would be allocated to the institution that presented the best candidates within the 1<sup>st</sup> call. At the end of the process, a total of 24 grants were allocated within the 1<sup>st</sup> call of the UMove(ME) 2019 project. A total of 17 scholarships will be available for the 2<sup>nd</sup> call.

The lists of excluded, pre-selected, reserve list and selected candidates are available at <https://alunos.uminho.pt/EN/students/mobilityprograms/Pages/ICM.aspx>

Furthermore, all selected candidates, and respective HEI, will receive the information by e-mail. All should accept or reject the scholarship by sending a specific form to [sri@sri.uminho.pt](mailto:sri@sri.uminho.pt)