

Minute 2

I - Introduction

On the 17th day of July two thousand twenty-three, at twelve hours, the jury nominated by the CCMAR board of Directors on 08/05/2023, met by video conference, for the second meeting of the call Ref. CCMAR/BD/08/2023. The meeting was for the hiring of a Doctoral fellowship (Bolsa de Doutoramento) for the project ref. C644915664-00000026 - PRR: Pacto Bioeconomia Azul - Vertical Algas (WP 5) funded by PRR - Plano de Recuperação e Resiliência. The nominated jury was composed by Doctor Aschwin Engelen, researcher at CCMAR (president); Professor Ester Serrão, researcher at CCMAR and Full Professor at Universidade do Algarve (member); Doctor Tânia Aires, researcher at CCMAR and at Universidade do Algarve (member) and had the following agenda items: admission and evaluation of the applications admitted for the fellowship CCMAR/BD/08/2023.

II - Candidates

Eight applications were received:

- 1 Aditi Rajan Patkar
- 2 Bashit Ibrahim Umar
- 3 Roselida Akinyi Opere
- 4 Muhammad Saad Bin Zahid
- 5 Ana Lilia Tovar Aguirre
- 6 Tiago Morais
- 7 Francesca lacuzzo
- 8 Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki

III - Exclusion of applications

The jury analysed the applications, considering the mandatory documents, and on this basis excluded 6 candidate (**Table 1**), for the following reasons:

Table 1. Candidates excluded of the evaluation and ranking phase.

The following candidates were excluded for not meeting the 2 nd requirement:				
Aditi Rajan Patkar,				
Bashir Ibrahim Umar,				
Roselida Akinyi Opere,				
Muhammad Saad Bin Zahid,				
Ana Lilia Tovar Aguirre,				
Tiago Morais.				

The remaining two applicants were admitted for evaluation and ranking (Table 2).

Table 2. Candidates admitted and proposed for the evaluation and ranking phase.

Francesca lacuzzo	
Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki	

IV - Evaluation of applications

The Jury evaluated the application documents of the eligible candidates (**Table 2**) and applied the classification criteria and weighting factors set out in the vacancy announcement as shown in **Table 3** below:

Table 3. Table with the evaluation of applications.

Candidate	Production	Algal exp	Microb	Activities	Final Classification
Francesca lacuzzo	1	0	8	7	2nd
Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki	8	0	8	5	1st

Evaluation criteria and respective weighting:

- 1. Scientific and technological production of the last 5 years considered most relevant by the candidate (30%);
- 2. Experience in growing and characterizing macroalgae (30%);
- 3. Experience in isolating, characterizing and co-cultivating macroalgae-associated microorganisms together with their macroalgal hosts (30%): and
- 4. Activities of knowledge extension and dissemination the last five years, namely in the context of the promotion of knowledge and scientific practices, considered most relevant by the candidate (10%).

Note: The final grades in table 3 represent the average of the individual evaluation performed by each member of the jury, presented on a scale from **0** to **10**, rounded to the nearest tenth.

Table 4 presents the final classification.

Table 4. Overall classification and ranking of the admitted applicants of call CCMAR/BD/08/2023, indicating the final score.

Candidate	Final Classification	Ranking
Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki	53	1st
Francesca lacuzzo	34	2nd

V - Conclusion

The fellowships will be awarded to the best ranked applicant. The candidate Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki had the highest classification (**Table 4**) and based on the elements presented in the application, candidate Myrsini-Maria Lymperaki meets the conditions for the purposes of eventual selection, so the Jury proposes the ratification of this decision to the CCMAR Board. The Jury will proceed to the right of prior hearing, setting a deadline of 10 working days and gives candidates the right of recourse of the announced decision, whether in relation to scientific or procedural matters. With no other item on the agenda, the meeting of which these minutes were drawn up was closed, with 2 pages, and annex, which after being read and approved were signed by the members of the jury.



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Annex

Annex Statement of no conflict of interests

Call no. CCMAR/BD/08/2023

We, the undersigned, fully understand the confidential nature of the assessment process and agree not to disclose or discuss its materials, nowhere, with no one, knowing the consequences of a misconduct.

We further declare that we have no direct or indirect financial, economic or personal interest that could compromise our impartiality and autonomy as members of this Jury.

Thus, we declare under word of honor that we will not evaluate candidates with whom we have a conflict of interest, for what we will require our immediate replacement.

Date:17/07/2023

By the members of the Jury:

(member)

Doctor Aschwin Engelen

Frofessor Ester Serrão

Doctor Tânia Aires

(president of the jury)

(member)