

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Polar Research (Arctic and Antarctic)

Mandatory statement for the candidates to projects (Principal Investigators)/fellowships/ other activities within calls for funding by Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT) with foreseen displacements to the polar regions

For all intents and purposes, Mr./Mrs _____, researcher, owner of Identity Card/ Citizen Card/ Passport number _____, participant in the Antarctic Campaign Portuguese /the project with reference _____ proposed for FCT funding /candidate for research grant with reference _____/ other activity (designate: _____) (delete as applicable) agrees, in case of funding recommendation, to:

General Provisions

1 - Abide to the dispositions stated in the *Antarctic Treaty*, in the *Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty (Madrid Protocol)* and Antarctic regulations derived from the Treaty and managed by the countries responsible for the logistical host of the mission, including the obligations resulting from the application of these regulations.

2 - Recognize, during the stay in Antarctica, the authority of the responsible for the logistics, the Heads of the Antarctic bases, camps and ships participating in the campaign.

3 - Comply with standards of conduct and other internal rules to the infrastructures of the countries responsible for hosting the Antarctic mission.

4 - Comply with all other applicable international standards to the Arctic and Antarctic, particularly with regard to environmental protection.

Certificate of Medical Fitness

Ensure that Medical Fitness Certificates of all elements of the research team / research scholarship/consultants whose displacement to Antarctica is required are sent to FCT, in accordance with the requirements of the *Council of Managers of National Antarctic Programs (COMNAP)*¹. These Certificates have been issued by Instituto Português do Desporto e Juventude, I.P. (IPDJ).

¹ COMNAP is responsible for the management of national Antarctic programs and is integrated by countries with established bases in Antarctica.

Environmental Impact Assessment

Send to FCT the copy of Certification of Environmental Impact Assessment for the activities of all participants travelling to Antarctica, in accordance with Annex I of *Madrid Protocol*, available on <http://www.fct.pt/apoios/cooptrans/gabpolar/>.

_____, _____
(Locality) (Day) (Month) (Year)

Signature of project Principal Investigator/ candidate for research grant (delete as applicable):
