INFORMATION FOR APPLICATIONS – ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/2017

Cycle of Studies (CS)	Third Cycle	
Electrical and Computer Engineering		
Organic Unit	Organic Unit(s)/University(ies) in association	Location of the CS 2016/17 (if in association)
FEUP		

A – Places

Places	TOTAL	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase	4th Phase	5th Phase
1. Number of places (no. or N/A)	**30**	**5**	**20**	**5**	***N/A***	***N/A***
Does it include leftover places from the previous phase?			**Yes**	**Yes**	***N/A***	***N/A***

Minimum number of students for the cycle of studies to operate	**5**

B - Timeframe for applications

	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase	4th Phase	5th Phase
Submission of applications	Until 30th April 2016	1st May to 8th August 2016	18th October to 6th December 2016		
Posting of provisional results*	20th May 2016	5th September 2016	3rd January 2017		
Prior hearing #	23rd May to 6th June 2016	6th to 19th September 2016	4th to 17th January 2017		
Posting of final results*	13th June 2016	23rd September 2016	23rd January 2017		
Submission of complaints by applicants	13th to 28th June 2016	23rd September to 7th October 2016	23rd January to 6th February 2017		
Publication of decision about complaints*	Until 12th July 2016	Until 21st October 2016	Until 20th February 2017		
Enrolment	20th to 27th June 2016	27th to 30th September 2016	26th to 31st January 2017		
Eventual admission of non-placed applicants	Until 8th July 2016	Until 14th October 2016	Until 6th February 2017		
Publication of leftover places for the following phase	15th July 2016	21st October 2016	-		
Means of notifying applicants	Email specified on the application	Email specified on the application	Email specified on the application		

Credit transfer regarding training and work experience

	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase	4th Phase	5th Phase
Submission of the request	Upon application and upon registration	Upon application and upon registration	Upon application and upon registration		
Publication of results	Until 18th July 2016	Until 24th October 2016	Until 22nd February 2017		
Change of the registration in result of the credit transfer process	10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer result	10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer result	10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer result		

Timeframe for the academic year	1st semester	2nd semester
Beginning of classes at U. Porto	**19/09/2016**	**06/02/2017**
Beginning of classes in the Cycle of Studies	**19/09/2016**	**06/02/2017**
Deadline to finish evaluation	**03/02/2017**	**23/06/2017**
Deadline to finish evaluation in the Cycle of Studies	**03/02/2017**	**30/06/2017**

C – Access conditions and criteria for selection and ranking

Specific conditions to access the cycle of studies.
The following applicants may be admitted to this doctoral program: a) Holders of a master's degree or legal equivalent; b) Holders of a licenciatura/bachelor's degree with a relevant academic or scientific curriculum; c) Those with a relevant academic, scientific or professional curriculum. The Scientific Committee of this cycle of studies will assess the relevance of the academic, scientific and professional curriculum and verify whether the educational background is appropriate to successfully carry out this doctoral program. Applicants must have a background in Engineering or in Science and Technology.

Criteria and sub-criteria for selection and ranking of applicants.	Weighting (%)
Curriculum vitae: 1) adequacy and value of the academic and scientific curriculum, taking into account, namely, the final grade of the licenciatura/bachelor's degree or master's degree, the participation in research and development activities, the completion of post-graduation courses relevant for the field of this doctoral program, the authorship or co-authorship of scientific papers presented at international or national conferences or published in scientific journals, written and oral proficiency in English; 2) professional experience in an enterprise context that is relevant for the doctoral program.	50%
Motivation letter and interview, if deemed important by the Scientific Committee of the program, which allows the assessment of the degree of commitment and alignment with the objectives of the doctoral program.	25%
Reference letters, taking into account the credibility and pertinence of their contents and recommendations.	25%

Applicants tie-breaking criterion *(it can be the classification obtained on some of the elements from the previous table)*
The value of the scientific curriculum will be used as a tie-breaking criterion.