

HEI-Lab
Digital Human-Environment Interaction Lab

Newsletter

30 October - 13 November 2026

Lab annoucements

Dear HEI-Lab members,

We are preparing an **updated version** of the **Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Manual**, the document that sets out all our procedures for submitting a proposal (pre-award), managing your project (post-award), requesting orders on LabOrders, and other relevant information. You can find the current version of the SOP on the HEI-Lab Repository under Norms. As soon as the new version is ready, we will share it with you all. It is important that everyone knows where to find the information they need straight away.

Please also remember that many useful resources are available on the Lusófona intranet (Inovação e Ciência) and/or the ILIND website (under I&D). To access the intranet, use your institutional credentials (pxxx@ulht.pt or fxxx@ulht.pt). There you will find two folders (pre-award and post-award) that serve as repositories, making it easier to access institutional documents and standardise procedures (e.g. statutes, certificates, declarations, the Gender Equality and Diversity Plan, and so on). If the information you need is not there, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Our newsletter has a new section “HEI-Lab facilities, tools, infrastructures”. Discover the tools and resources available for your research!

Important reminder: a new session of the **HEI-Lab Pitches** will take place on **Wednesday, 4 November, at 4 pm**. Highly recommended for PhD students! Share your research with your colleagues to get feedback and advice.

Do not forget to send us the content you would like to see in this newsletter. All ideas are welcome!

Esther & Bruna

Got something you'd like to share?
Send it our way at: esther.marin@ulusofona.pt and bruna.antonio@ulusofona.pt

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Funding opportunities

Funded secondment opportunities

Applications open on 1 November 2026 and close on 1 February 2027

ROBO-KNOT 2026-2027 call for secondments

Cross-border mobility programme designed to strengthen robotics research, skills development, and knowledge transfer

2nd round (open soon)

15 November – 20 December, 2026

UT Austin Portugal Research Sprint Residencies

Projects should align with one or more of the UT Austin' strategic priority areas, including Advanced Computing, such as energy-aware AI for climate, health, and mobility; domain-specific AI toolchains for industry and public services, and others

Open call

Deadline: 15 November 2026

CMU Portugal 2027 Mobility Calls

Open to doctoral-degree holders affiliated with Portuguese higher education institutions or research labs, for a one-term placement at Carnegie Mellon University in research, education, and innovation

Open call

Deadline: 24 November 2026

MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026

Open to all domains, with emphasis on interdisciplinary, international, and intersectoral cooperation. Selected networks give researchers cross-sector exposure, research training, and transferable skills for innovation and long-term employability

Open call (soon)

29 October 2026 - 17 February 2027, 17:00h Brussels

Tools and technologies to support health adaptation to climate change / HORIZON-HLTH-2027-01-ENVHLTH-MISSCLIMA-03

This topic aims at supporting activities that are enabling or contributing to one or several expected impacts of destination "Living and working in a health-promoting environment" and the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change

Training, webinars and podcasts

Free training (recorded webinar)

MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026

If you are considering preparing an MSCA Doctoral Network proposal, this webinar from the Portuguese National Contact Points is for you!

Hybrid event

12 November 2026, 10:00 - 12:00 CET (Brussels time)

Lump Sum Funding in Horizon Europe:
How does it work? How to write a proposal?

Interesting for those of you that want to understand how lump sum budgets work. For information on Lump sum funding in Horizon Europe available HERE

Podcast

What children need during disaster recovery

How can practitioners work safely and collaboratively to support children and families impacted by disaster?

Michelle Roberts (psychologist) and Sarah Eagland (social worker) unpack the role of trauma-informed care in addressing the diverse and often-overlooked needs of children in the context of disaster

Conferences and events



Symposium (hybrid)

13 November 2026

Body as Interface for Extreme Users

XTREMERS explores the body as an interface. Not a body served by interfaces, but the body itself as the medium through which intention, expression and meaning take form

Conference - call for asbtracts

Deadline: 15 November 2026
9-11 September 2027, Lisbon

World Anti-Bullying Forum 2027

The program features keynotes, scientific sessions, workshops, panels, round tables and exhibitions, addressing bullying from international and multidisciplinary perspectives

Public debate

16 novembro 2026, 14.30, Coimbra

Investigação e Inovação para transformar Portugal

This event presents the conclusions of the strategic assessment of national R&I priorities, arising from the AI²Participa process conducted during the establishment of the new Agency for Research and Innovation (AI²)

Tri-City Hackathon (hybrid)

19-20 November, Lisbon, Barcelona & Wroclaw

Biotechnology & Health Innovation for Healthier, More Liveable and Resilient Cities

Participants will develop practical solutions connecting human health, environmental health, and urban living to transform the low-carbon transition into an opportunity for healthier, more resilient cities

Recommended readings and more

European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

Researchers across Europe can now more easily find, access and use research data and digital services through the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) Federation, whose first 13 research hubs have begun operations. The hubs, known as EOSC Nodes, connect resources from different research organisations, helping researchers work across countries and scientific disciplines

Communicate your research

Science in Shorts

Tell the world about your research in a vertical 1-minute video
Your audience is everyone
Your goal is to inform, engage and entertain

Close date: 2nd December 2026

Creative Tech Community

Discover best creative tech projects and creators

XR Bazaar brings together Creators, Studios, and Brands shaping the future of creative tech. We connect people exploring AR, VR, AI, CGI, and everything that's next, helping them collaborate, learn, and create experiences that inspire and engage

Do you know how to use all the new tools available to support your research at HEI-Lab?

HEI-Lab has expanded its scientific infrastructure by acquiring advanced research equipment and software. This investment was supported by the Portuguese Recovery and Resilience Plan (PRR), funded by the European Union through NextGenerationEU, under the Equipar 2+ programme.

The new infrastructure strengthens the laboratory's capacity to conduct interdisciplinary research across its core areas of expertise, enabling the application of innovative methodologies and technologies to study human interaction with digital environments.

In this section, you will find more information about what equipment is available and how to use it.

Tobii Pro Glasses 3



Tobii Pro Glasses 3 is an advanced eye tracking glasses built for research which helps you study behavior where it naturally occurs. Capture detailed eye tracking data in real time with scientific-grade precision.

Gather data without boundaries
Take your research beyond controlled environments and into the real world. Tobii Pro Glasses 3 lets participants act naturally while you collect highly detailed, first-person eye tracking data — live, and without interference.

If you wish to use this material, please fill in the following form:
Material Reservation

More opportunities and news every week