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ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF CABO VERDE

ANNOUNCEMENT

SCVZ Desertas Fund – Research grants for Zoology projects in the Desertas Islands – 5th Edition

The book "Cabo Verde – Natural History of the Desertas Islands – Santa Luzia, Branco & Raso" was the culmination of a project of the Zoological Society of Cabo Verde (SCVZ), which was funded in 2011 by the Small Grants Programme of the Global Environment Facility (GEF-SGP). The printing of this book in 2015 was supported by the National Directorate for the Environment (DNA) – Ministry of Environment, Housing and Spatial Planning (MAHOT) and carried out by the Centre for Research in Biodiversity and Genetic Resources, Associated Laboratory, University of Porto (CIBIO-InBIO).

Sales of this book are revert to the **SCVZ Desertas Fund** for the award of research grants to Cabo Verdean and European students and researchers to study the Desertas Islands in the field of Zoology and its applied disciplines.

By 2016 to 2020, SCVZ awarded eleven scholarships and now announces the fifth edition of this call. A committee set up by members of the CIBIO-InBIO/Uni-CV Twin-Lab, DNA, the NGO Biosfera I and SCVZ itself will evaluate applications together with an external senior researcher.

Applications must be submitted by **March 15, 2026** and selected candidates/ projects will be announced early **April 2026**. Bilingual forms and guidelines can be accessed at <http://scvz.org/dertas>.

