

FUTURE ENERGY LEADERS PORTUGAL

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **What is the Future Energy Leaders Portugal (FELPT) Program?**

FELPT provides a platform to build a rich professional network, to interact with senior energy leaders in our country and across the world. The FELPT program also connects the young energy professionals of Portugal to a global network of future energy leaders through interaction with the World Energy Council's FEL-100 program.

The program invites future energy leaders to contribute to the Council Portuguese Member Committee's energy dialogue, support the development of balanced national policy frameworks, and help shape energy solutions for tomorrow, tailored to the national and regional context and needs.

The FELPT program builds on creative ideas and innovative potential to challenge conventional thinking and explore new strategies for the future of the energy systems, offering a unique opportunity to young professionals to learn, develop skills, and participate in the debate of critical energy issues.

More info: <https://apenergia.pt/about-fel-pt/>

- **What is the APE's role in the FELPT Program?**

The Portuguese Association for Energy (APE) is a non-governmental, non-profit and public institution that aims to promote thought and debate on sustainable energy transition at the several levels of the energy value chain, promoting the sector's contribution to the economy and the improvement of the quality of life in Portugal.

The Association is the Portuguese Member Committee in the World Energy Council (WEC), an international organization in which Portugal has been represented since the 1930s. Having succeeded the previous National Commission of the World Energy Congress, APE is the energy sector's oldest and most global association in our country.

The Association is the sponsor and the entity responsible for the FELPT program. It also acts as a facilitator, by providing guidance and enabling the program's projects.

More info: <https://apenergia.pt/>

- **How does FELPT relate to FEL-100?**

The FELPT is based on the WECouncil's FEL-100 (Future Energy Leaders) program, which is designed to inspire the global energy leaders of tomorrow. The national program shares the same principles, objectives, and dynamics as the international program.

More info: <https://www.worldenergy.org/impact-communities/future-energy-leaders>

- **Can I apply to the FELPT program?**

You can apply, if you meet the following essential criteria:

- ✓ Solid interest and proven track record in the energy sector; the CV indicating a specific achievement and the potential to become a leader in the energy sector.
- ✓ Obtained a bachelor's degree or higher.
- ✓ Minimum of 3 years full-time post-graduate and professional experience in an energy-related field.
- ✓ Highly motivated and encouraged to work with the Associação Portuguesa da Energia (Portuguese Member Committee of the World Energy Council).
- ✓ Ready to demonstrate commitment to become a member of the FELPT and remaining engaged for at least one year.
- ✓ Advanced level of English, as some program activities and communications will be delivered in English.
- ✓ Highly fluent in Portuguese as all internal communications are in Portuguese (Portuguese: B2 level or higher).
- ✓ Age under 35 years old at the time of the application deadline (defined by FELPT each year).
- ✓ Portuguese Citizenship or residence in Portugal.

- **I want to apply to the FELPT program. How and when can I do that?**

Every year in November, the applications for the FELPT program will be opened. You will have about 1 month (30 calendar days) to complete your application. The application form and further clarifications will always be communicated through the official channels of APE and FELPT.

- **How is the FELPT cohort selected?**

New candidates are selected to join the FELPT in a competitive process every year.

The Evaluation Committee performs the selection according to three main parameters: academic background, professional experience, and motivation to join the program.

- **How long does a member usually stay involved in the FELPT?**

Initially, each member stays on board for one year and may be offered the opportunity to remain for up to three years.

The members are encouraged to evaluate their availability and willingness to remain in the program through the year, which might understandably change upon unexpected circumstances. Each member is free to withdraw their membership at any time.

Upon completion of the program, the FELPT members will receive a certificate and will be invited to join the Alumni Community, which provides an opportunity to remain an active part of the FELPT, APE, and WEC network.

- **How is the FELPT cohort performance evaluated?**

The program strives for excellence, commitment, and diversity. To guarantee the quality and continuity of the program, every year, the opportunity to remain in the program is offered to those able to demonstrate commitment and involvement.

Every year, each member's participation is evaluated by the Evaluation Committee; if the participant is considered active and contributive, his/her term may be renewed for an additional year, up to a maximum of 3 years.

To remain in the FELPT program, each participant must at least:

- ✓ Be an active member of one of the task forces and projects identified or endorsed by APE, including participation in meetings/calls, contribution to project plans, and contribution to deliverables.
- ✓ Participate in one of the FELPT events.
- ✓ If possible, participate in one of the FEL-100 events.

- **What can I expect to benefit from the FELPT program?**

As a Future Energy Leader, you will belong to an exclusive network of bright peers and influential professionals in the energy field. You will be able to organize and participate in events promoting the energy dialogue and help develop relevant material such as white papers, articles, and reports, ultimately leveraging on the FELPT, APE, and WEC's network to influence decision-makers in the energy field.

To be a member of the FELPT cohort means that you will be in daily contact with like-minded peers with various expertise fields, then keep you posted with the most updated energy-related topics.

- **Where can I find FELPT program on social media?**

We are currently present on LinkedIn and Twitter. We are very active and keep the page updated. Don't feel shy and leave us a comment, follow and share our posts. Engage with us! You can also use #FELPT, #APEnergia, and #WECouncil.

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/fel-pt>

https://twitter.com/FEL_PT

- **How can I apply to FEL-100?**

Every year the World Energy Council opens applications for the FEL-100 program. The selection progress is highly selective, and the requirements differ from the FELPTs selection. WEC is focused on ensuring a fair geographical distribution of FEL-100 members worldwide. In this sense, it is not guaranteed that every year a new Portuguese member will be selected to join the FEL-100. However, being a highly active member of FELPT may be advantageous during the

application. The application form and further clarifications will always be communicated through the official channels of WEC.

More info: <https://www.worldenergy.org/impact-communities/future-energy-leaders/becoming-a-future-energy-leader>