

To whom it may concern:

I am writing you this letter in order to support Tiago Moço Ferreira application to the European Central Bank.

My name is Luis Martínez. I am an invited Assistant Researcher at the Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, and Transport Modelling Analyst at the International Transport Forum. Since 2010, apart from my research and consultancy activities, I have been an invited Assistant Professor in several Msc. and PhD Transportation courses at the Instituto Superior Técnico, part of the MIT-Portugal Program. In 2013, I joined the International Transport Forum at OECD, where I have responsible for several econometric, optimization and simulation models. My main area of research is mathematical modeling of transportation phenomena, using discrete choice modeling and optimization and simulation tools.

I have met Tiago Moço Ferreira as a researcher at the IST Transportation research group, where he was developing his PhD in Transportation Systems. I had the opportunity to work with Tiago at several research projects, and co-authoring a research paper on optimization of bike-sharing systems. In all these experiences, he showed great enthusiasm and maturity in analyzing transportation economics related research topics and skills on approaching diverse modelling tools and steadily learn new analytical methods. Furthermore, his experience in assessing geotechnical dynamics on high-speed rail infrastructure may be also an important asset in life cycle infrastructure economic analyses. He also revealed great ability to interact with other international partners, presenting a good written and oral English level.

I would easily state that he is outstanding compared to his peers at IST Lisbon, where he completed his PhD, playing a key role in several research projects.

For all these reasons, I highly recommend Tiago Moço Ferreira in his application to European Central Bank.

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