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Six Year Report
2018-2023

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About .

At CIES we connect Science and Society



The Centre for Research and Studies in Sociology (CIES-Iscte) is a social science R&D unit of Iscte - University Institute of Lisbon, recognised and evaluated by the FCT, with the aim of creating and promoting knowledge about current social problems from a multidisciplinary perspective.

Founded in 1985, with sociology as its main scientific area, the center also carries out relevant activities in the fields of public policy, political science, communication sciences, modern and contemporary history and social work.

The main mission of CIES is to produce high quality research that contributes to the understanding and awareness of societal challenges and global threats and to provide evidence-based policy recommendations.



Foreword



Teresa Patrício CIES-Iscte Director

We are living in deeply challenging times posed by world pandemics, war, conflicts and displacements, political polarization and rising authoritarianism, environmental sustainability, widening inequalities, digital and technological transformations, and growing uncertainty. In today's rapidly evolving world, the study of social sciences has never been more relevant. At CIES, key disciplines of the social sciences – sociology, political science, communication sciences,

public policy, modern and contemporary history and social work – collaborate to promote an understanding of the world we live in. We examine the historical roots of change, the role of individuals and institutions in shaping it, and the way change manifests across various dimensions of society. Social sciences help comprehend societal changes but also empower us to address pressing challenges.

In the last six years we have confronted numerous difficulties such as those posed by the Covid-19 pandemic and the restraints of the financial crisis. Limited science funding led to successive frustrations at the level of research careers, research infrastructures and research projects. During this period, we also lost several trailblazing researchers. João Ferreira de Almeida, former president of Iscte, left indispensable work in sociology. Juan Mozzicaffredo left valuable contributions in the field of public administration and Britta Baumgarten's memory continues in a seminar cycle dedicated to social movements.

Notwithstanding the difficult times, CIES was able to secure research projects, contract new researchers, diversify funding sources, and produce new knowledge. We initiated capacity-building projects in the global south, participated in societal dissemination programs and activities, and contributed significantly to public policy. During this period, CIES restructured its research groups providing more coherence and conceptual focus and linking their research activities with the Observatories and Laboratories, to provide timely data and studies that inform and contribute to public policies. We continue to train and integrate young researchers and attract top students to our doctoral programs.

A major change experienced during this period was the setting up of a new research complex, Iscte – Knowledge and Innovation, to house the Center for Valorization and Technology Transfer (CVTT), a research and knowledge transfer infrastructure that hosts research centers, laboratories and observatories. These new facilities, based on the principles of the New European Bauhaus, are designed to connect, link and

transform places of learning as interactive and inclusive areas that reach out to the community.

At the same time, CIES together with five other research units at Iscte obtained the status of Associate Laboratory to develop the SocioDigital Lab for Public Policy and promote interdisciplinary research on social change and digital transformation with an impact on public policies. The Associate Lab together with the institutional framework provided by Iscte strengthens the research environment that includes promoting a research career and creating new opportunities for scientific employment.

Confronting our challenging times requires innovative perspectives that leverage networks, build alliances, engage constructively in research initiatives to provide evidence-based policy recommendations and solutions. Together, important steps to ensure the future of social science research and to create a fruitful work environment have been created.



(Maria Teresa Patrício)
Lisbon, April 2024

CIES Numbers

130

Integrated Researchers

65

Associated Researchers

120

Assistant Researchers

78 PhD Students

11

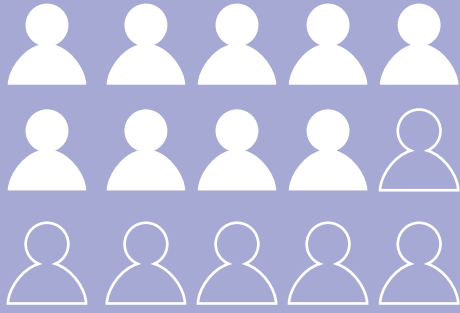
Staff

315

TOTAL
Research team

18

NATIONALITIES



60%
FEMALE

40%
MALE



28

VISITING
RESEARCHERS



390

PHD
STUDENTS

6

COUNTRIES

78

ASSISTANT
RESEARCHERS

Governance

Executive Board

The Centre is headed by an Executive Board composed of an elected Director, Teresa Patrício, assisted by two Deputy Directors, Elsa Pegado and José Soares Neves.

Scientific Council

The Scientific Council includes all the integrated PhD researchers and is responsible for electing the Centre's Director and the Scientific Committee.

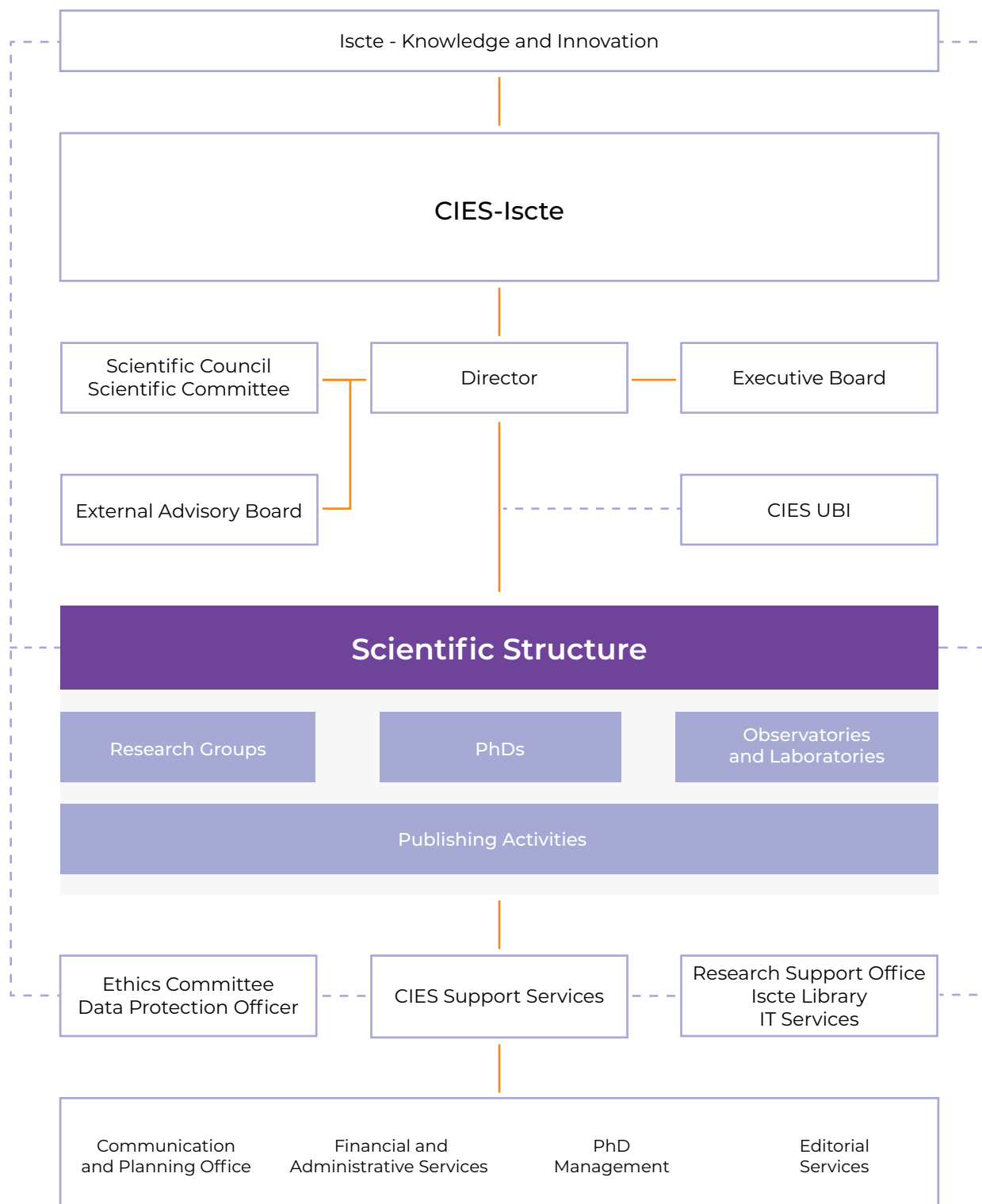
External Advisory Board

The External Advisory Board is composed of five external renowned scholars who provide advisory and evaluation support, visiting the Centre and issuing reports on its activity.

Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee is composed of five integrated researchers, four directly elected, Cláudia Álvares, Helge Jörgens, Patrícia Ávila and Sandra Mateus, and the Director.





COORDINATIONS

The coordinators of the Research Groups, Observatories and Laboratories, and PhD programs are fundamental in the planning and implementation of CIES's research activities, working closely together with the Centre's bodies, researchers and PhD students.

Governance

"Throughout its history, the Center has managed to be at the forefront of social science research, in accordance with the highest international standards."

EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD REPORT 2018



Ana Benavente
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Universidad Jaume I – Castello, Spain



External Advisory Board

Quotes from Reports

“From the point of view of research areas, its diversity seems to translate into an enrichment of interdisciplinarity and initiatives that are articulated in Observatories and other spaces for theoretical cross-fertilization and social intervention. Throughout its history, the Center has managed to be at the forefront of social science research, in accordance with the highest international standards.” 2018

“This Commission considers that CIES-Iscte developed, in the period under review, an activity of scientific intensity and quality, which shows a consolidation and stabilization at a level of excellence demonstrated by scientific productivity (diversified in plural formats

"CIES-Iscte developed an activity of scientific intensity and quality, which shows a consolidation and stabilization at a level of excellence".

of publication and in a huge number of projects); the recruitment capacity of its seven PhD programmes, which include several students with FCT scholarships (which are very competitive); the decisive promotion of scientific employment and the recruitment of a large number of research assistants; in a very considerable volume of services provided to public and private entities and, also, in a consistent eagerness to disseminate the results of its activity through the qualification of public policies, the attraction of new audiences for science and the joint work with associations and social movements.” 2022



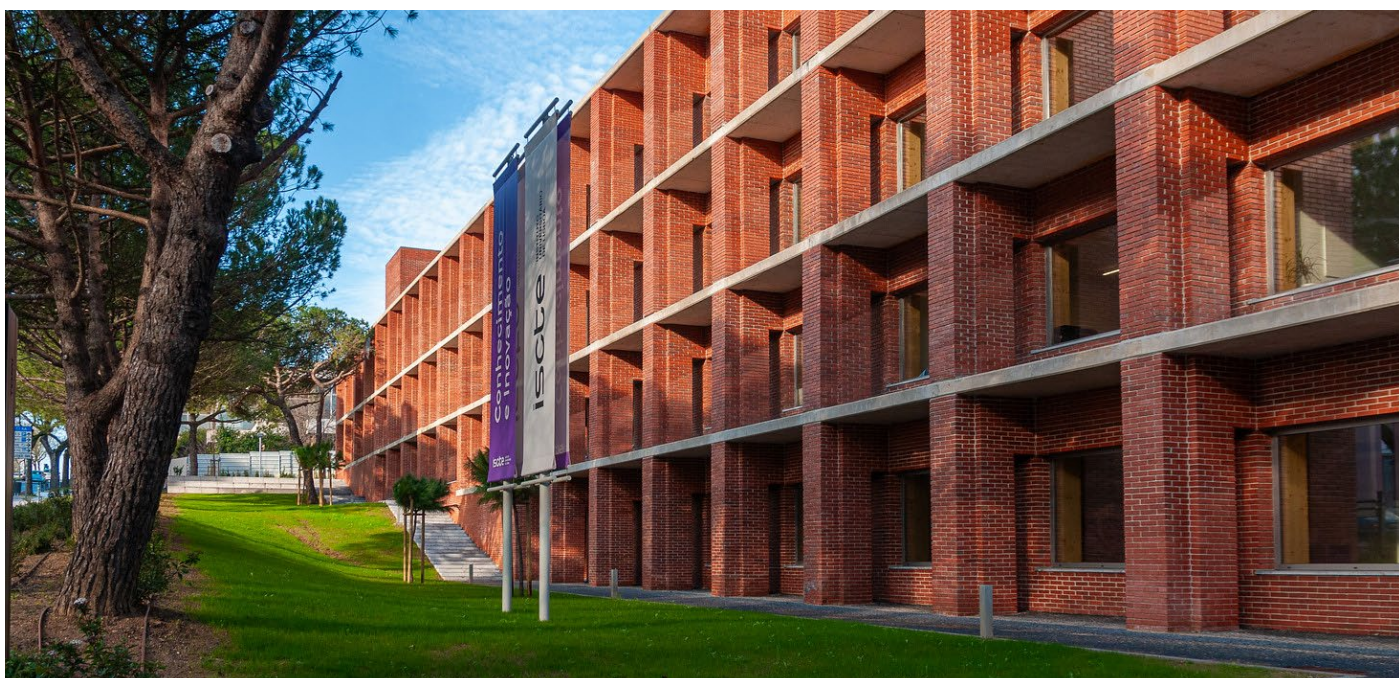
Facilities

Iscte - Knowledge and Innovation

Iscte - Knowledge and Innovation is a Technology Enhancement and Transfer Centre based on the combination of two of Iscte's benchmark research areas - social and human sciences and digital technologies.

The Centre's main objective is to help make the country and the region in which it operates a European benchmark in the strategic technological areas in which Iscte operates, encouraging the development of emerging sectors and the incorporation of general-purpose technologies in traditional sectors, in order to diversify and improve the competitiveness of the business fabric.

This new technology development and transfer center houses eight research units, including CIES, three associated laboratories, three collaborative laboratories, nine observatories and ten laboratories.

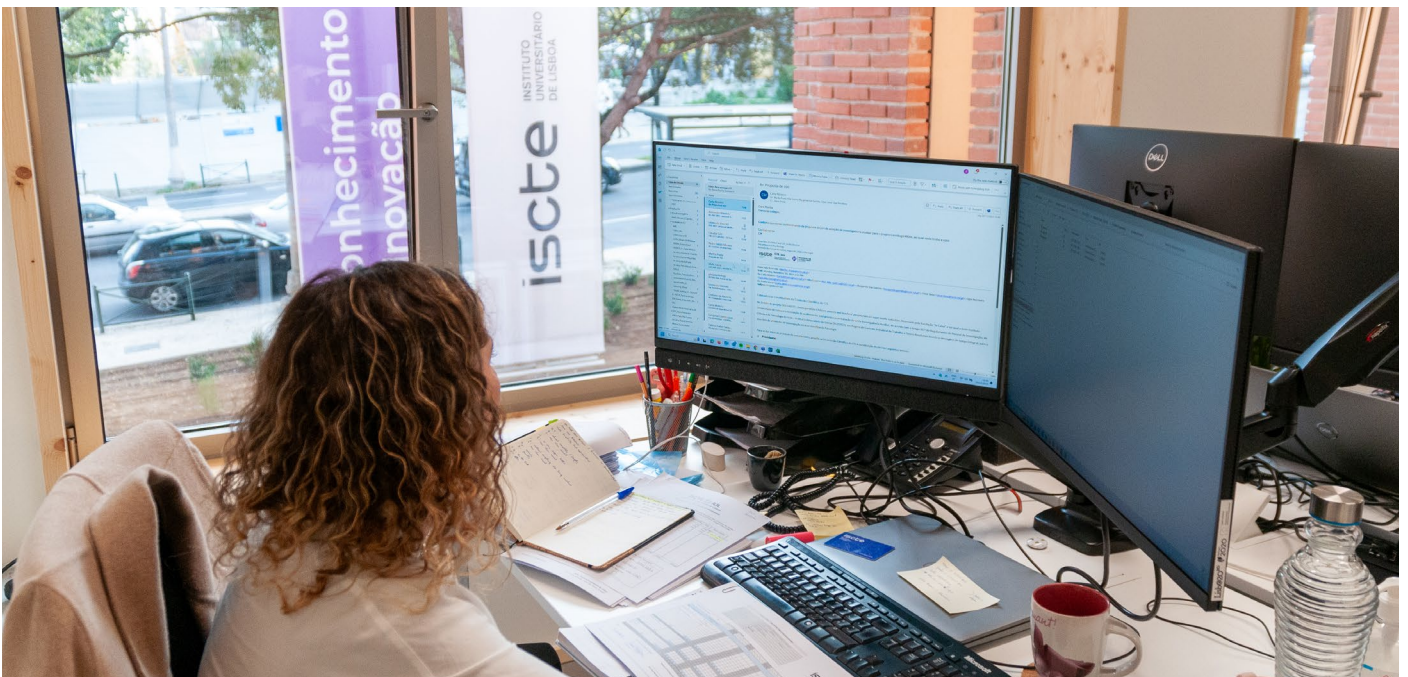




Iscte - Knowledge and Innovation aims to provide integrated knowledge transfer solutions for society, organizations, companies and public administration.



Maria de Lurdes Rodrigues
Rector of Iscte



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Research at CIES.

Inequality, Work and Social Well-being



COORD
Renato Miguel
do Carmo



CO-COORD
Rosário Mauritti

The Inequality, Work, and Social Well-Being Research Group is dedicated to enhancing our understanding of living conditions and well-being in modern, diverse societies experiencing significant social transformations.

The group's focus is to investigate the evolving landscape of social inequality, the restructuring of social classes, and the changing dynamics of employment and working conditions employing a diverse range of theoretical and methodological approaches.

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Integrated
Researchers

14

Assistant
Researchers

10

PhD
Students

42

Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

95

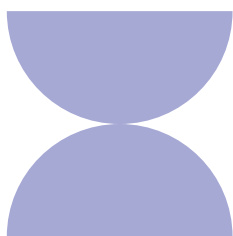
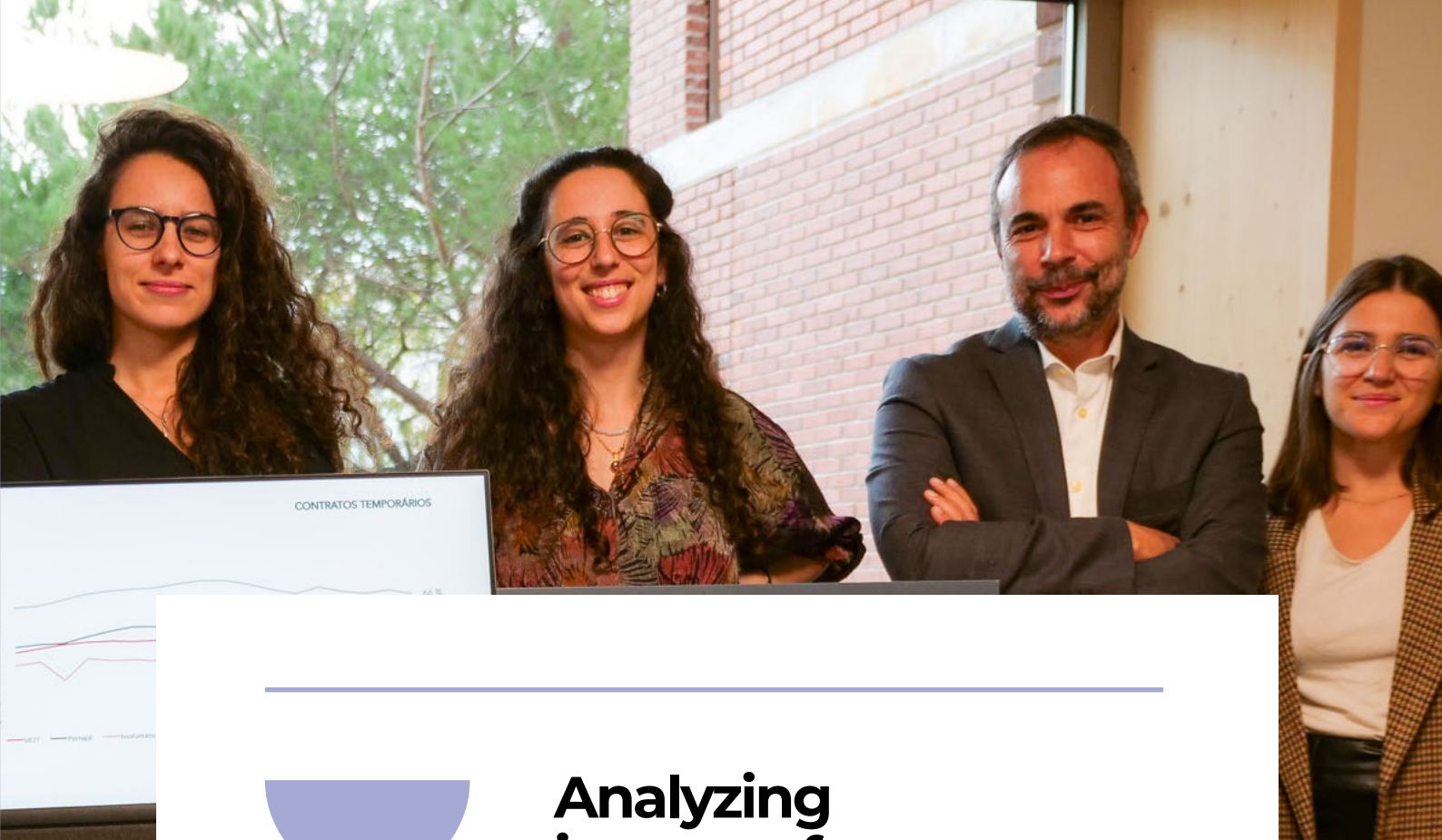
Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

KEYWORDS

Inequality and social classes;
Poverty and social exclusion;
Work, employment and
economy;
Territories, Welfare and
social policies.



Analyzing impact of policies on social inclusion

Research delves into the influence of the state, institutions, and public policies across various sectors, territories and regions, offering a comprehensive evaluation of public policies designed to promote social inclusion and empowerment.



Inequality Observatory

Provides a valuable resource of detailed, multidimensional data and analysis into inequalities contributing significantly to the development and assessment of public policies.

Through these efforts, the group Inequality, Work and Social Well-being sheds light on the complexities of social inequality and supports more inclusive and equitable societies.

Migration, Mobility and Ethnicity



COORD
Raquel Matias



CO-COORD
Cláudia Pereira

Interdisciplinary team dedicated to deepening the understanding of issues related to migration and ethnicity. Through rigorous research, analysis and developing strong collaboration with policymakers and practitioners, the group helps define evidence-based policies that promote social inclusion and meet the diverse needs of communities. The group's work covers a wide range of topics, including immigration policy, cultural integration, demographic trends and the impact of mobility on societies. Group members play an active role in cultivating well-informed and inclusive societies, forging links between research, policy and practice.

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Integrated
Researchers

14

Assistant
Researchers

13

PhD
Students

34

Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

159

Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

KEYWORDS

Migration;
Refugee population;
Migration policies;
Urban studies.



Engaging in international research

The group engages in various capacity-building projects, particularly in African countries.

By conducting action-research initiatives, priority is given to tangibly impacting educational institutions and civil society, involving public, private and third sectors to promote meaningful change.

Establishing networks, and developing and evaluating public policies related to migration and integration is a top priority. The group integrates international networks such as IMISCOE – International Migration Research Network.



Emigration Observatory

Collects and analyzes information on Portuguese emigration and emigrant populations, contributing to the definition and evaluation of information-based public emigration policies and knowledge about this policy area.

Its institutional partnership and interdisciplinary research team brings together experts from Portuguese universities.

Education and Science



COORD
Patrícia Ávila



CO-COORD
Susana da Cruz
Martins

The Research Group on Education and Science focuses on understanding the relationship between knowledge and society. This interdisciplinary perspective uses a multifaceted approach to analyze educational processes, literacy, adult education, educational pathways and digital transformations. The group aims to develop comprehensive knowledge in education and science, drive innovation and contribute to social progress.

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Integrated
Researchers

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Assistant
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11

PhD
Students

43

Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

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Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

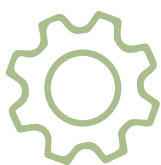
KEYWORDS

Education and schooling processes;
Literacy and Skills;
Science, technology and society;
Education, science, and digital transformations.



Emphasizing fundamental and practical perspectives

The research focuses on the analysis of policies, interventions, institutional organizations and frameworks, stakeholder engagement and related political and discursive dimensions.



Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies

Methodological innovation practices are cross-cutting among the Center's researchers and research areas, leading to and strengthening the Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies. These are highly relevant in this group with approaches that combine fundamental and applied methods, with a particular focus on action and intervention fields, institutional frameworks, stakeholder involvement, and education-related policies and debates.

Media and Culture



COORD

Gustavo Cardoso



CO-COORD

José Soares
Neves

Media research focuses on understanding the broader social impact of communication, especially from a sociological perspective to understand human behavior, social relations and societal structures. The group focuses on network journalism, professional practices, the social dynamics of the Internet, in particular forms of disinformation, and the study of the culture of mediation, with a special emphasis on media literacy.

The study of culture in Portuguese society involves several interrelated areas, such as management and mediation of museums and monuments, access, participation and audiences, creative and cultural work, cultural heritage and impact on public policy.

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Integrated
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Assistant
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PhD
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Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

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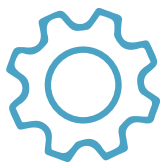
Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

KEYWORDS

Communication;
Media;
Arts and culture;
Cultural and creative sectors.



Media Lab

Experimentation, research support, and production of content in communication sciences, covering other disciplines of SSH.

The lab encourages and supports communication practices in its different models and objects – from digital to analogue, from plain text to multimedia, from analysis of online networks and trends to social media networks, research online and user reviews, news media monitoring, data visualization and big data.



Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities

Accurate and up-to-date research and information in cultural domains and themes, contributing to current debates in Portuguese society and the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of public policies.

Despite the strong emphasis on Portuguese reality, OPAC also has a transnational comparative perspective, particularly within the European Union.

Gender, Life Course and Health



COORD
Nuno de Almeida
Alves



CO-COORD
Elsa Pegado

The Gender, Life Course and Health Research Group is dedicated to investigating the complex interaction between gender dynamics, life transitions and health outcomes. The group looks at a wide range of aspects, including family structures, the impact of parenting and the diverse spectrum of gender identities. It also examines the journey from childhood to adulthood and the interactions between the different generations.

This multi-faceted research is crucial for defining inclusive and effective health policies and initiatives that promote holistic well-being.

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2018 - 2023

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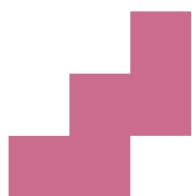
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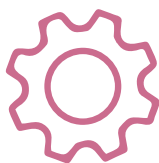
KEYWORDS

Gender;
Life Course;
Family;
Health and Medicine.



Enrich and guide the development of public policies

Through active involvement in national and international research initiatives, obtaining individual grants and participating in public procurement processes, the group aims to advance knowledge and offer valuable insights that can enrich and guide the development of public policies. In addition, research extends to the exploration of health behaviors, the role of health professionals and ethical considerations regarding medicine and substance use.



Laboratory of Social Studies on Birth nascerc.pt

Fosters knowledge and develops synergies between structures and multidisciplinary approaches in the study of childbirth, both at the national and international levels.

Through the production and dissemination of scientific information, nascerc.pt improves the knowledge and discussion around policies, practices and paradigms of the childbirth.

Politics and Citizenship



COORD
André Freire



CO-COORD
Guya Accornero

The Politics and Citizenship Research Group is dedicated to examining the intricate relationships between civil society, political institutions, and political leaders, and how these dynamics influence public policies and governance.

The group's research is concentrated in four primary areas: political representation, social movements, public policies, and social rights, to explore their intersections and reciprocal impacts.

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Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

157

Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

KEYWORDS

Political representation;
Political behavior;
Citizenship and social
movements;
Public policies.



Enrich public discourse

The group is actively engaged in research aimed at enriching public discourse and providing expert insights into election issues. Through collaboration with both institutional and grassroots organizations, the group strives to foster thought-provoking discussions and deepen the comprehension of significant societal challenges.



Observatory of Democracy and Political Representation

Democratic political representation refers to the integration of citizens in the political and decision-making processes, thus pinpointing the linkage between the electorate, the elected representatives, and public policy.

The OPRP consolidates and disseminates the study of democratic political representation and data on social and political movements, and the state of democracy and political representation in Portugal, Europe and worldwide, bringing together the different scientific areas from this RG.

Historical Dynamics and Global Integration of the World



COORD
Maria João Vaz



CO-COORD
Luís Miguel Carolino

This group conducts research in History, with contributions from other fields from the early modern to the modern and contemporary periods. The researchers share the same historiographical perspective, which consists in approaching History not from a national(istic) point of view but by reinforcing the processes of global integration of space on a planetary scale.

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Integrated
Researchers

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Assistant
Researchers

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PhD
Students

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Research
Projects

2018 - 2023

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Publications

Articles, Chapters and Books

2018 - 2023

KEYWORDS

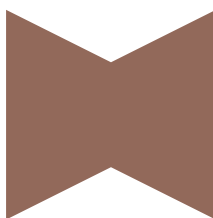
History of Science and Technology;
History of the Environment and Sustainability;
History of the City, Tourism and Cultural Heritage;
Social Dynamics, Politics and Citizenship.



Transnational perspective

This historiographical approach has paved the way to integrate the Group in international projects, research networks, and academic associations.

This is also reflected in participation in international publications in indexed journals or books, attendance, and organization of colloquia designed to bring Portuguese issues into international narratives.



Interdisciplinary nature

Its strongly interdisciplinary nature allows the incorporation of new methodologies and fields of studies, but also contributing to developing a historical understanding in the field of social sciences.

Furthermore, the group aims to expand involvement in international and national networks, increase publication records, and contribute to public awareness of History and Social Sciences.

Research Infrastructures

Observatories & Laboratories

Observatories and Laboratories play an important role in understanding and addressing societal issues. Their primary functions include data collection, analysis and dissemination, which inform public policy, academic research, and public understanding. They also contribute to advanced training by providing internships and research opportunities for Masters and doctoral students. The observatories have strengthened their mission of making rigorous and up-to-date information available to the public in their thematic areas, empowering citizens and contributing to public policies. While the laboratories have deepened their specialised competences and their cross-cutting potential towards support for research activities.





Inequality Observatory

The Inequality Observatory provides updated information, analyses, and scientific knowledge on social inequality, fostering citizenship and contributing to the design and evaluation of public policies to address its root causes. Inequality is studied in different dimensions and levels, using statistical indicators, international comparisons, and a wide range of constantly updated research and studies.

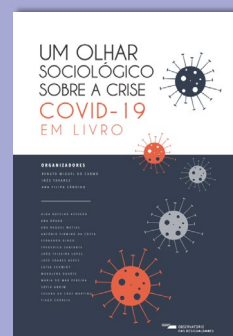
Social inequality is multidimensional - not limited to a single factor - and identified in areas such as employment, income and wealth, education, qualifications and skills, gender, ethnic, racial, age, health, among others. The multidimensionality of inequalities constitutes one of the most striking features of contemporary societies.

CIES is responsible for the scientific coordination, partnering with the Institute of Sociology of the University of Porto and the Center for Social Studies of the University of the Azores.



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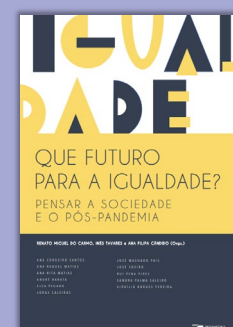
→ <https://www.observatorio-das-desigualdades.com>



A sociological view of the Covid-19 crisis in a book



Atlas of Students with an Immigrant Background: Who They Are and Where They Are in Primary and Secondary Education in Portugal



What Future for Equality? Thinking about Society and the Post-Pandemic



Emigration Observatory

The main objective of the Emigration Observatory is to collect, harmonize and analyze information on the evolution and characteristics of Portuguese emigration, by collecting data from statistical institutions of the countries of destination of emigrated Portuguese populations.

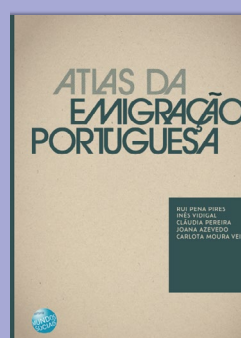
Annual indicators include stocks (total population, place of birth, nationality, Portuguese origin and consular records), Portuguese inflows in destination countries, acquisition of nationality in destination country and emigrants' remittances. Statistical indicators include data on the entry and stay in the countries of destination, with updating of indicators.

The Emigration Observatory works in partnership with Center for Geographical Studies of the University of Lisbon, the Research Center for Economic and Organizational Sociology of the University of Lisbon, and the Institute of Sociology of the University of Porto.

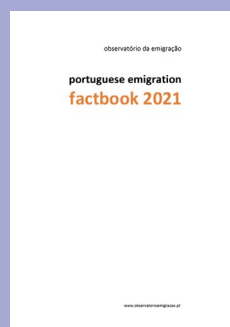


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→ <https://observatorioemigracao.pt>



Atlas da Emigração Portuguesa



Portuguese Emigration Factbook 2021



Emigração Portuguesa 2022



Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities

The Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities is responsible for the development and production of studies and information on various cultural themes and domains, such as cultural practices, cultural and artistic agents and institutions, cultural employment, and cultural democratization, including the production and dissemination of indicators on art and culture.

The Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities partners with public and private institutions, in particular with the Directorate-General for the Arts of the Ministry of Culture, based on providing a range of secondary, official, and national statistical sources on cultural policies.



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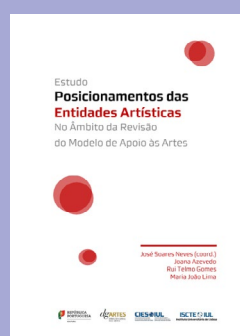
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Atlas Artístico e Cultural de Portugal



Estudo de Públicos de Museus Nacionais



Estudo Posicionamento das Entidades Artísticas. No Âmbito do Modelo de Apoio às Artes



Observatory of Democracy and Political Representation

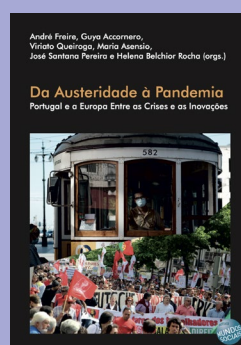
The Observatory for Democracy and Political Representation concentrates its activities on democratic political representation and the integration of its citizens in political and decision-making processes, thus identifying linkages between the electorate, the elected representatives, and the formulation and implementation of public policy. Elected representatives – at the governmental levels – are held accountable for their use of power and public policies reflecting most voters’ preferences.

Surveys, such as the Comparative Candidate Survey, provide comparative data on values, guidelines, and behaviors of elected and non-elected candidates. Citizen participation, either individually or through interest groups or social and political movements, is assessed in the political process and in political representation.



DIRECTOR
André Freire

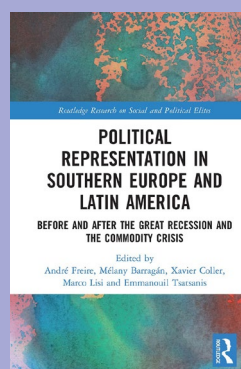
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Da Austeridade à Pandemia: Portugal e a Europa Entre as Crises e as Inovações



Contesting Austerity. Social Movements and the Left in Portugal and Spain (2008-2015)



Political Representation in Southern Europe and Latin America: Before and After the Great Recession and the Commodity Crisis



Laboratory for the Social Studies on Childbirth

The Laboratory for the Social Studies on Childbirth is an interdisciplinary program addressing childbirth and its social, political, cultural, and institutional framing conditions. It informs public policy on ethics, social representations, choices, and results of childbirth.

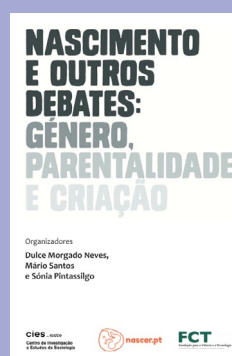
Research and studies address the process of norms, practices, and social organizations that frame, regulate, and condition childbirth in a modern and medicalized society, as well as the institutions and the agents or practitioners involved in this process.



COORDINATORS

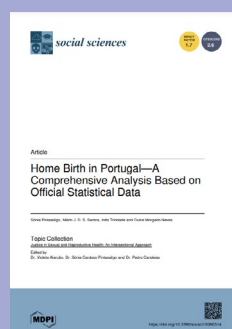
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Nascimento e Outros Debates: Género, parentalidade e criação.

Outcome of the International Conference organised by the Laboratory



"Home birth in Portugal - A comprehensive analysis based on official statistical data"

Article from Social Sciences Journal



"A Mortalidade Materna em Portugal: O que dizer da sua evolução?"

Article from nasc.pt blog



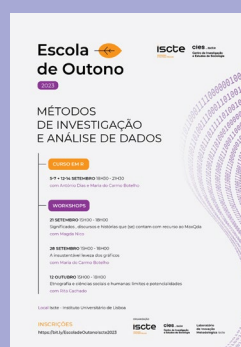
Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies

LIM promotes innovative methodological practices through workshops, interdisciplinary collaborations, and developing advanced methodological skills, such as Advanced Methods in Statistics and Data Analysis, Computer-Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis, Mixed Methods and Triangulation between Quantitative and Qualitative Methods, Biographical Method, Life Course Methodologies, Data Visualization Methods.

The Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies also promotes interdisciplinary discussions in various conferences: "The Challenges of Research", the Doctoral Colloquium and the Research Design Seminar.



DIRECTOR
Nuno Almeida Alves



Fall School
"Research Methods and Data Analysis"



LIM Workshop
"Computing Methods and Social Movements"



Research Forum
CIES on Reflexivity and Methodological Innovation in the Social Sciences



Media Lab

Media Lab is a space for laboratory experimentation, research support and the production of editorial content in the field of Communication Sciences, also covering other fields of the Social Sciences and Humanities.

It supports R&D activities in data collection or analysis, related to: New media studies - Internet and social networks; Multimedia content production; Studies of traditional media - radio, television and the press.

The laboratory was set up with the strategic aim of providing support for researchers and PhD students to develop innovative projects, positioning itself at the crossroads between theoretical-empirical research and the analytical-technological dimension, to keep pace with the dynamics of social and technological transformation.



DIRECTOR
Gustavo Cardoso

→ <https://medialab.iscte-iul.pt>



Europeias 2024

Report under a protocol with CNE - National Electoral Commission, for the monitoring of political disinformation in the context of the pre and electoral campaign for European elections, in Portugal.



Comentário político nos media 2023

Political comments in the media 2023



Barómetro Media Lab

Looks at online media in Portugal, to identify the topics of the public debate agenda.

5 Major Research Contributions

- > Research for Capacity Building
- > Response to the Covid 19 Pandemic
- > Research for Empowering Citizenship
- > Spotlight on Inequalities
- > Tackling Methodological Challenges



Research for Capacity Building

An important contribution of CIES has been the development of a cluster of capacity-building projects at the international level, supported by state-of-the-art research competencies in social sciences, impacting people's lives and influencing public policies. In this context, CIES researchers led or participated in a dozen international projects with capacity-building objectives that required field experience and community involvement.

Most of these projects have been funded by the Erasmus + program and involved European and global south partners in Africa or South America, such as higher education institutions, migration officials, and journalists.

Other projects focused on capacity building initiatives in Europe, such as ARECA that promotes participatory art education models by artists in school programs. Some of the outputs of the capacity-building projects included promoting human rights, providing education and training in new formats such as improving the quality of information and public discourse, providing handbooks, curricular units, and e-learning tools that help strengthen skills and competencies.

MAIN PROJECTS

ARECA

Art Education and Capacity-Building: Methodologies and tools used by artists to intervene in the school context
Luísa Veloso

CoMMPASS

Communicating Migration and Mobility: E-learning Programs and Newsroom Applications for Sub-Saharan Africa
Gustavo Cardoso

Coop4Int

Strengthening Migrant Integration through cooperation between Portugal and Cabo Verde
Raquel Matias

GovDiv

Multilevel governance of cultural diversity in a comparative perspective: EU-Latin America
PI Beatriz Padilla

GreenDeal-NET

Governing the EU's Transition towards Climate Neutrality and Sustainability
Helge Jörgens

HumAct

Humanitarian Action: Climate Change and Displacements
PI Paulo Pedroso

InovHumRe

Innovation in Humanitarian Response
PI Paulo Pedroso

FUNDING

Erasmus +

Horizon Europe

Creative Europe

ICMPD - International Centre for Migration Policy Development

Response to the Covid 19 Pandemic

The pandemic challenged and disrupted traditional research activities. Researchers quickly adapted to remote methods and digital tools, changed data collection strategies and research priorities. Research on social, cultural and health impacts of Covid-19 was one of CIES' important contributions with a strong transversal and innovative character. A major study organized by the Inequality Observatory spearheaded analysis on how society dealt with uncertainty and instability collectively. "A sociological look at the Covid-19 Crisis" consisting of 19 interviews with sociologists on various inequality issues, and is available on YouTube, collated in an e-book with thousands of visualizations and downloads. Multiple projects addressed the effects of the pandemic on communities, minorities and vulnerable populations. Gender inequality was an important topic as closing schools and care homes imposed more responsibilities on women and saw increases in domestic violence that weighed upon victim support services. Assessing the impact on mental health and well-being of immigrant populations was also an important research topic with research addressing the socio-sanitary coordination procedures of institutionalized older-aged in 15 EU countries.

CIES organized the Research Forum on Scientific Work and the Pandemic and advanced training activities in the summer school on Adapting Working Methodologies in Uncertain Times in Child Protection.

Research results from our research were cited by World Health Organization; UN Environment Program; and EU Publications Office.

MAIN PROJECTS

CovidCheck
PI Gustavo Cardoso

EQUALS4COVID19
Equity in health in times of pandemic: assessment of the impact on mental health and well-being of the Brazilian and Cape Verdean population in Portugal
PI Violeta Alarcão

FCT Gender Research 4 COVID 19
Evaluation study on the level of satisfaction of users of the national victim support network
PI Maria Dores Guerreiro

FLIPP
Flipping Learning Internationally in a Post Pandemic Era
Helena Rocha

Mc-COVID19
Coordination mechanisms in Coronavirus management between different levels of government and public policy sectors in 15 European countries
PI Luís Capucha

sage19
Scientific and Academic Gender (in) equality during Covid19
PI Thais França

INITIATIVES

A Sociological Overview of the Covid-19 Crisis

Youtube Video Playlist.
Different specialised views on the impacts of this crisis on social inequalities.

FUNDING

FCT

CSIC

Erasmus+

Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian

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Research for Empowering Citizenship

Involvement with multiple partners - government, local authorities, NGOs, private sector, and different stakeholders - to empower citizenship through providing knowledge, open communication, and information, enhancing critical thinking and participation has been actively promoted. The Observatories and Laboratories contribute to empowering citizenship and community development through the production and dissemination of knowledge, open access platforms for citizen engagement and feedback and contributions to policymaking. The Emigration Observatory publishes an annual factbook and, in 2023, published the Atlas of Portuguese Emigration with comparative data on Portuguese and world emigration. This document was widely and publicly discussed.

In addition, several European projects address citizen empowerment, community engagement, and social inclusion. SPACE4US explores multidimensional and participative approaches for empowerment of young women. SDIT examines inclusive and beneficial practices of the theater for integrating people with autism. POIESIS studies the impact of research integrity and societal engagement practices on trust in science; RESISTANCE looks at inequality and discrimination against minorities through a cultural, historical, and comparative perspective. InCITIES examines higher education institutions in urban environments and their transformation into sustainable resilient institutions. Mapping Out looks at contemporary anti-immigration movements as to influence European migration policies. Other projects examine the loss of trust in democratic institutions or how artistic productions of urban youth can overcome segregation and build more inclusive societies.

MAIN PROJECTS

CPR-DR

Crisis, Political Representation and Democratic Renewal: The Portuguese case in the Southern European context
PI André Freire

InCities

Trailblazing Inclusive, Sustainable and Resilient Cities
PI Maria Dores Guerreiro

MappingOut

Portugal on the European anti-immigrant movements map
PI Thais França

PeriCreativity

Peripheral Creativities: youth, arts, and public policies in segregated territories
PI Otávio Raposo

POIESIS

Probing the impact of integrity and integration on societal trust in science
Marta Entradas

QualRep

The Quality of Women's Political Representation
Ana Espírito Santo

SDIT

Self-determination and Inclusion by Theater
PI Luís Capucha

Space4Us

A model of blended-experiential learning for the empowerment of young women
Sandra Mateus

FUNDING

Erasmus +

EEA Grants Portugal

Horizon Europe

UK Research and Innovation

FCT



Spotlight on Inequalities

One of the most important contributions has been the transversal focus on inequalities. The Inequality Observatory provides up-to-date information, analyses, and knowledge on social inequality, publicly available, fostering citizenship and contributing to the design and evaluation of public policies to address its root causes. Inequality is studied in different dimensions and levels, using statistical indicators, international comparisons, and a wide range of constantly updated research and studies. At the same time, theoretical contributions in this field, namely on transnational inequalities, distributional and categorical inequalities, territorial and temporal inequalities, were made.

Some of the core themes include immigration and school trajectories; education and training; housing; work and employment; income inequality and poverty; gender discrimination; ethnic and linguistic stigmatization. Some of the most relevant projects include Inclusion+ that fosters inclusivity and diversity of mobility in higher education students by tackling barriers of students with disabilities and care responsibilities. Other projects such as PandPAS aim to facilitate inclusion and prevent xenophobia and radicalization and RaCIP engages in private sponsorship and promotes inclusion and active participation of third-country nationals in society, spanning 9 EU Member States. HOPES looks at new housing movements and urban struggles. Inequality is also studied by looking at the transformation of work and employment, such as the increase in precariousness (Prowork) and the mutual dependence between employment and social protection (EmployALL). TIWELL measured and monitored social inequality across regional, national, and European dimensions using European Social Survey data.

MAIN PROJECTS

EmployALL

The employment crisis and the Welfare State in Portugal: deterring drivers of social vulnerability and inequality
PI Renato Miguel do Carmo

Inclusion +

Tackling the challenges of Erasmus+ mobility inclusion and diversity at higher education level
PI Thais França

MappingOut

Portugal on the European anti-immigrant movements map
PI Thais França

PandPAS

Pre and Post Arrival Schemes to facilitate inclusion and prevent xenophobia and radicalization
Sandra Mateus

PROWORK

Projectifying work: network organisation models in contemporary capitalist societies
PI Luísa Veloso

RaCIP

Raising Capacity for Inclusive People engaged in private sponsorship
Sandra Mateus

RESISTANCE

Rebellion and Resistance in the Iberian Empires, 16th-19th centuries
José Vicente Serrão

TIWELL

Territorial Inequality and Well-Being
PI Rosário Mauritti

FUNDING

Erasmus +

Horizon Europe

AMIF

FCT

Fundação Francisco
Manuel dos Santos

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Tackling Methodological Challenges

Promoting social research methods and making significant contributions in terms of methodological innovation is a main challenge. The Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies (LIM) promotes innovative methodological practices through workshops, interdisciplinary collaborations, and develops advanced methodological training courses (ex. Advanced Methods in Statistics and Data Analysis, Computer-Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis, Mixed Methods and Triangulation between Quantitative and Qualitative Methods, Biographical Method, Life Course Methodologies, Data Visualization Methods). Interdisciplinary discussions were promoted in the Conference "The Challenges of Research", the "Group Interpretation Workshop", the Doctoral Colloquium and the Research Design Seminar.

MediaLab also contributes to the development of the analysis of communication practices in different forms: digital, analogue, text, image, sound, audiovisual, multimedia, online networks and social media, online surveys and user opinions, information visualization and data science, providing necessary software tools.

The CIES Research Forum 2023 on "Reflexivity and Methodological Innovation in the Social Sciences" brought together qualitative and quantitative methodologies, interdisciplinary approaches, archival research, evaluation methodologies on public policies, epistemological, methodologic, and ethical challenges, biographical, urban ethnography, and data collection. These events promote a space for discussion and contribute to the advancement, understanding, and application of social science research methodologies.

MAIN PROJECTS

Time-to-Engage

Intentions and behaviours of using digital health technology by older adults: collaborative research
Elsa Pegado

Blockchain

Decentralize Portugal with blockchain agenda
Marta Entradas

EUMEPLAT

European Media Platforms: Assessing Positive and Negative Externalities for European Culture
Cláudia Álvares

Iberifier

Iberian Digital Media Research and Fact-checking Hub
Gustavo Cardoso

COORDINATE

COhort cOMmunity Research and Development Infrastructure Network for Access Throughout Europe
Magda Nico

AspirE

Decision making of aspiring (re)migrants to and within the EU: the case of labour market-leading migrations from Asia
Sofia Gaspar

STRUCTURES

Laboratório de Inovação Metodológica

Media Lab Iscte

FUNDING

Fundação "la Caixa"

Horizon Europe

European Digital Media Observatory

PRR - República Portuguesa

NextGenerationEU

Internationalization

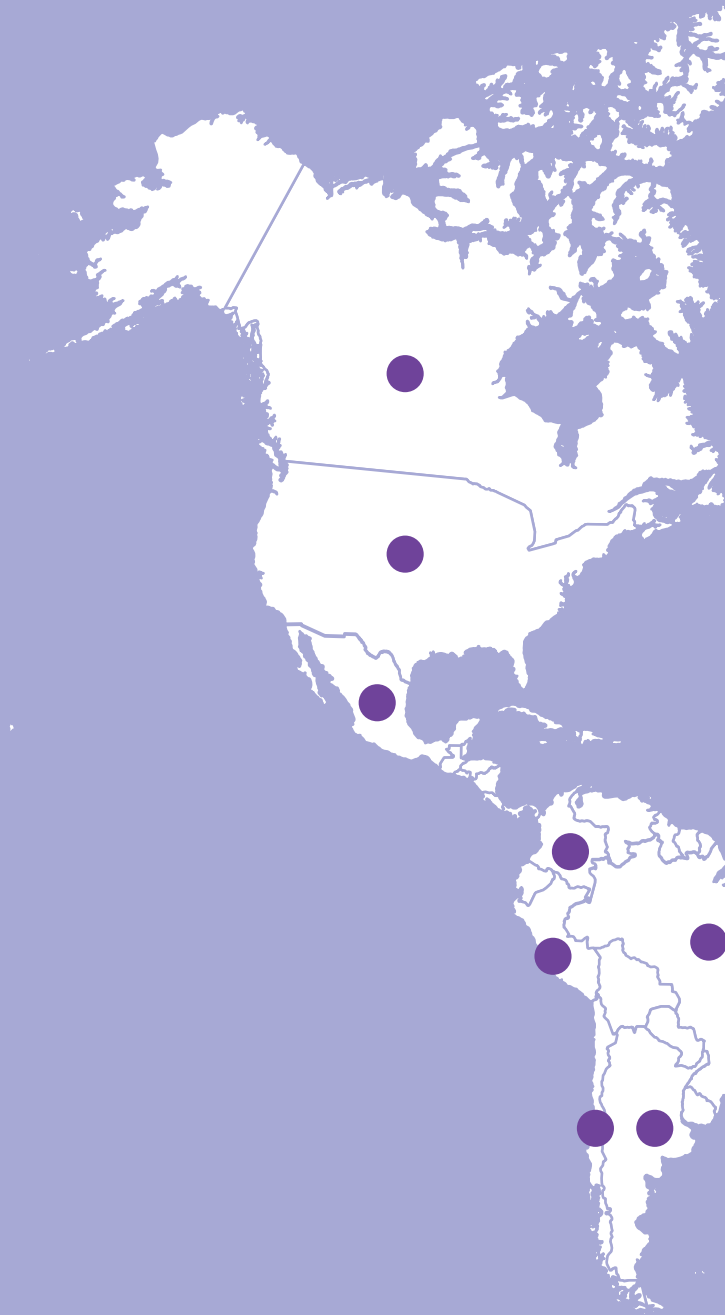
CIES researchers take part in a wide range of international scientific activities, including coordination and participation in research projects and networks, providing scientific advice and contribution in evaluations and peer review panels, and dissemination of results to international audiences.

CIES-Iscte also hosts international researchers at the Centre and promotes the international mobility of its researchers.

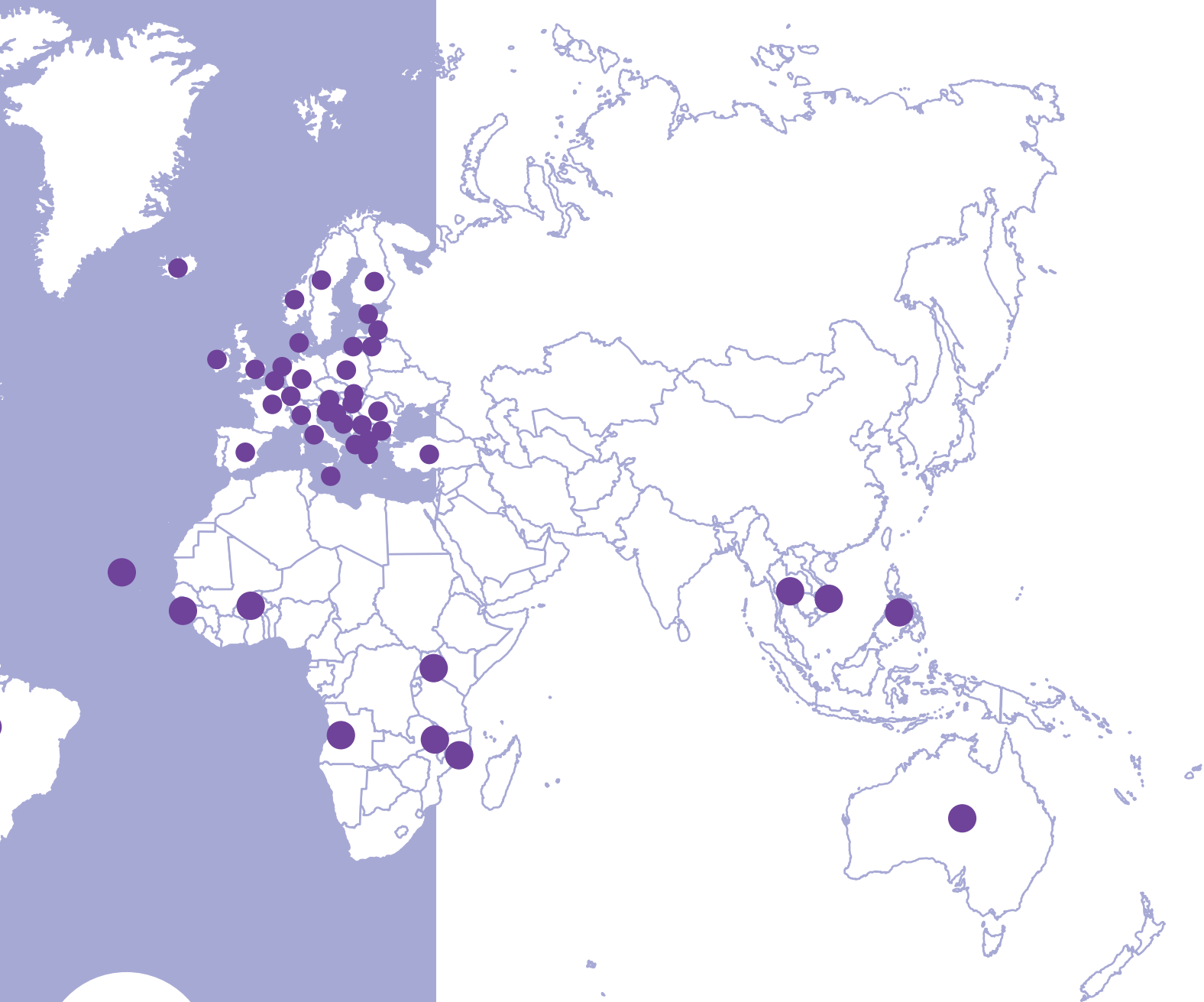
Research Projects

European R&D projects are a key component of CIES activities, ensuring collaboration and state-of-the-art knowledge to evidence-based policy solutions. A main concern is to address critical social and political problems that impact European society.

These projects are funded by several European agencies (e.g. Horizon Europe; Erasmus+; EACEA; DG EMPL; DG REGIO; AMIF; EDMO; and the Justice Programme Drugs Policy Initiatives), involving multiple partner institutions from different countries, from Europe and beyond. For example, “Rebellion and Resistance in the Iberian Empires, 16th - 19th centuries” includes Spanish, Chilean, Brazilian, German, and American universities as partners. Numerous projects include Portuguese-speaking countries - Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Angola, Mozambique, Timor and Macao. Many of such projects, coordinated by CIES researchers, are oriented towards capacity-building in the global south or in different regions of the world.



Partner countries in projects



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Countries
2018 - 2023

Research Networks

International networks promote information exchange, broaden scientific connections, enhance interdisciplinary experience and lead to fruitful collaborations.

The COST Actions promote interdisciplinary and pan-European networks. CIES researchers are currently members of the Management Committee of 18 COST Actions, leading Working Groups in many cases.

CIES is a member of IMISCOE – International Migration, Integration and Social Cohesion, the largest interdisciplinary network of scholars in the field of migration. The membership of other large European networks includes the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), the Consortium of European Social Data Archive (CESSDA), and the European Social Survey (ESS). CIES is a long-standing member of Comparative Candidates Survey (CCS) and is actively participates in the European Journalism Observatory (EJO), the European Network of Observatories in the Field of Arts and Cultural Education (ENO), the International Council of Social Welfare (ICSW), the European Network

for the Analysis of Social Policy (ESPAnet), in the Science and Technology Studies (STS MIGTEC), and the China-Europe Research Platform on Chinese Migration to and beyond Europe (CERPE).

Scientific Advisory

CIES researchers provide expertise in research boards, committees and review panels, such as in evaluating EU research projects, including Marie Curie Actions and European Research Council grants; in COST Actions, “La Caixa” Foundation Fellowships; and the Canadian SSH Research Council.

High Impact Events

CIES has hosted large-scale international academic events, many through competitive bids, with hundreds of participants from all around the world, such as the 28th International Conference of Europeanists 'The Environment of Democracy', within the Council for European Studies (CES) and the 7th Global Meeting on Law & Society Rage, Reckoning, & Remedy, supported by Law & Society Association.



Inclusive and Democratic approach to Internationalization

CIES-Iscte's internationalization efforts are aligned with the mission to bridge science and society and to democratize knowledge. Recognizing the disparities in knowledge production, CIES-Iscte is dedicated to closing the gap between Global South and Global North academia through equitable collaboration. To achieve this, researchers from the Global South are regularly invited as visiting scholars and keynote speakers, while fostering partnerships through joint projects, publications, and co-supervision initiatives. These activities facilitate fair and equitable knowledge circulation, enabling CIES-Iscte and its partner institutions in the Global South to learn from each other and collaboratively produce innovative knowledge that highlights the diverse academic contributions made by Global South scholars.

Furthermore, acknowledging the societal hierarchies in knowledge dissemination and the barriers created by the dominance of English-language publications, CIES-Iscte is committed to ensuring that its research is accessible to the communities we work with in the Global South, as well as to its academic circle and practitioners in the region. In addition to publishing in top-tier international journals, CIES-Iscte prioritizes releasing materials in Portuguese to ensure that the emerging generation of young scholars in Portuguese-speaking countries has access to the most current knowledge.

By doing so, we are dedicated to fostering an inclusive and democratic approach to internationalization.





International mobility

Incoming and outgoing mobility was severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, but as international travel returned, the number of visiting academics resumed.

In the six-year period, CIES welcomed visiting researchers and professors from over thirty countries worldwide (e.g. Angola, Belgium, Brazil, Cape Verde, Chile, China, Croatia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Italy, Norway, Poland, Spain,

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Visiting Professors and Researchers welcomed at CIES
2018 - 2023

Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, and USA). During their visit they joined the team and carried out research activities, many in collaboration, as part of mobility programs, research projects or thesis. Some came as keynotes for the International Doctoral Conference Cycle.

CIES Abroad

CIES researchers have spent extended periods abroad as visiting researchers or faculty.

Ana Espírito Santo

Visiting Fellow at Centro de Investigación en Estudios de la Mujer (CIEM), Universidad de Costa Rica - 2023

Tiago Carvalho

FLAD Professor at Brown University, USA - 2023

Vania Baldi

Visiting Professor at Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico - 2023

David Cairns

Visiting Scholar at Uniwersytet SWPS Warsaw, Poland - 2023

Luís Miguel Carolino

Visiting Professor at University of California, Berkeley, USA - 2019

Graça Cordeiro

Gulbenkian Saab Visiting Professor at University of Massachusetts, USA - 2019

Maria Teresa Patrício

Visiting Researcher at CIRST, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada - 2018 - 2019



Prizes and Awards

ISCTE R&D AWARDS

To recognize and promote research, Iscte attributes a yearly R&D Award for the top Scientific Publications and R&D Projects of the previous year.



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**Iscte R&D
Awards Editions**



193

**Awards won by
CIES Researchers**



110K

**Total Amount
of Euros Received**

2018 - 2023



Prizes and Awards

2018 - 2023

RESEARCH



Publications

David Cairns

Stanford University Ranking Recognition
World Top 2% Scientists 2023

Sandra Morais

Best Local/City Book Gourmand Awards 2023

Maria Manuela Mendes

Scientific Awards University of Lisbon/Caixa
Geral de Depósitos - Scientific Area Social Sci-
ences 2022

Joana S. Marques

Revista Crítica de Ciências Sociais Award 2022

Cristina Palma da Conceição

The Book Company/The Science Project/Gradi-
va Award 2021

Ana Caetano

Special Jury Prize awarded by Análise Social for
the best article by a young researcher 2019.

Award for best qualitative book written in
Spanish or Portuguese from the International
Congress of Qualitative Inquiry 2018

Nominations

Marta Entradas

International Science Council 2023

Cláudia Álvares

Academia Europaea 2020

Gustavo Cardoso

Academia Europaea 2018

Papers, Posters and Documentaries

Susana Mourão

Best Poster ASTOR Award in the 28th Congress
of Pain Medicine 2021

Cláudia Freitas

Best Poster Award from the "International
Breastfeeding Conference" 2018

Luísa Pimentel

Best Paper Award at the "Let's Talk About
Ageing International Congress" 2018

Otávio Raposo

APA Awards 2018/2019.
Ethnographic Film Category

PhD Thesis

João Moreira

Mário Soares Award 2023

Victor de Sá Award for Contemporary History
awarded by Minho University 2023

Tiago Carvalho

Portuguese Political Science Association
Award for Best Doctoral Thesis 2022

Fábio Faria

Honorary mention, Victor de Sá Award for
Contemporary History attributed by Minho
University 2021

Nelson Ramalho

Silva Leal Award 2020 attributed by the Secre-
tary of State for Social Security and Iscte

Inês Casquilho Martins

Silva Leal Award 2019 attributed by the Secre-
tary of State for Social Security and Iscte

Between 2018 and 2023 CIES researchers have been acknowledged and received scientific recognition by different public and private institutions, professional associations, government bodies and other organizations for their contributions and achievements.

SOCIETY



Olga Magano

Intercultural Personality Award awarded by Espaço T and Comunidade do Bangladesh do Porto, Civil Society Category 2021

Sandra Saleiro

Arco-Íris Award attributed by the Association of Mothers and Fathers for Freedom of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (AMPLOS) 2020

Helena Carvalho

Award given by Portuguese Association of Dialysis and Transplant Nurses for scientific recognition 2019

Borges de Sousa Award awarded by the Portuguese Society of Ophthalmology 2018

Nelson Ramalho

APAV research award awarded by the Portuguese Association for Victim Support 2019

Violeta Alarcão

Arnaldo Sampaio Award attributed by the Portuguese Association for Public Health Promotion 2018

FROM PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

CAREER RECOGNITION



Renato do Carmo, Rodrigo Assis and Jorge Caleiras

António Dornelas Award attributed by the Ministry of Labor, Solidarity and Social Security 2022

Sónia Crisóstomo

Merit distinction awarded by the Ministry of Health 2019

Frederico Cantante

António Dornelas Award attributed by the Ministry of Labor, Solidarity and Social Security 2018

Miriam Halpern Pereira

Order of Infante D. Henrique attributed by the President of the Republic

António Firmino da Costa

Medal of Scientific Merit Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education 2019

João Ferreira de Almeida

Medal of Scientific Merit Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education 2018

SocioDigital Lab for Public Policy

This Associate Laboratory promotes a unique interdisciplinary approach to the study of public policy and contributes to the resolution of contemporary societal problems and global challenges. The complexity of the modern world requires new approaches integrating social sciences and digital technologies to address societal problems and contribute to public policy.

The SocioDigital Lab, co-chaired by the Director of CIES, builds on past collaborations, bringing together six research centres at Iscte – BRU, CEI, CIES, CIS, DINÂMIA'CET and ISTAR – in a consortium of interdisciplinary collaboration with a new vision that integrates social science and digital technologies to address societal problems and contribute to public policy. Initial steps have been taken to find innovative ways to organize interdisciplinary research and policy thrusts. The next phase will seek integrative solutions in national and international projects with multidisciplinary teams and interdisciplinary perspectives to address 21st century challenges.



**SOCIODIGITAL LAB
FOR PUBLIC POLICY**

Associate Laboratory





Publications .

Publications and Scientific Output

Publication is a core element of scientific activity as a way of disseminating knowledge and results to the scientific community and society.

Recent years have shown a transition in the publication pattern of the team of researchers at CIES-Iscte. Despite the increase in articles in indexed journals, namely in the Scopus and the Web of Science (WoS) databases, CIES-Iscte researchers managed to keep a balance between the diverse types of publications, maintaining the publication rates of books and chapters and thereby ensuring the presentation of results to the international scientific community and dialogue with Portuguese society.



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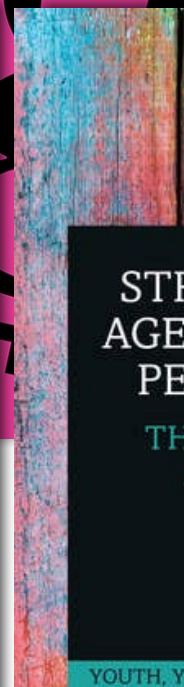


The Palgrave Handbook
of Youth Mobility and
Educational Migration

Edited by David Cairns



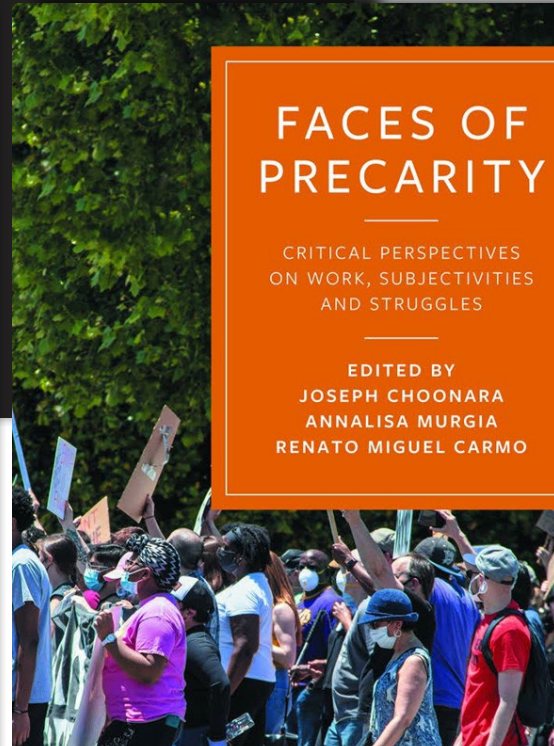
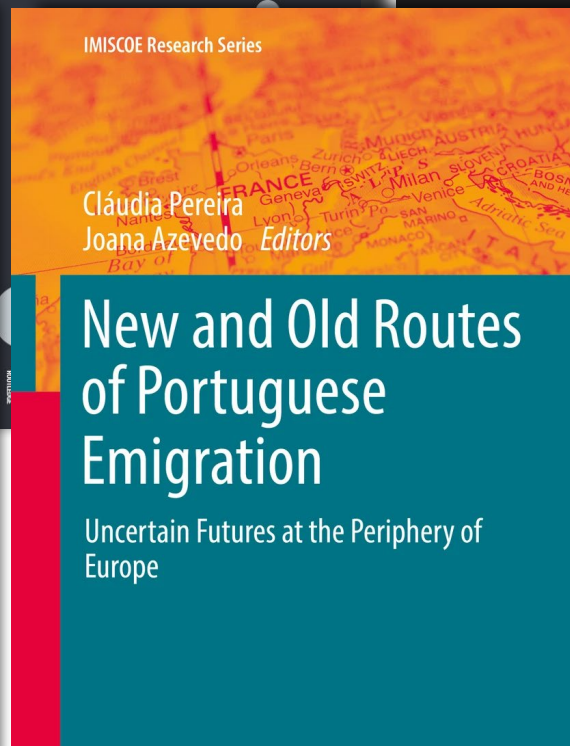
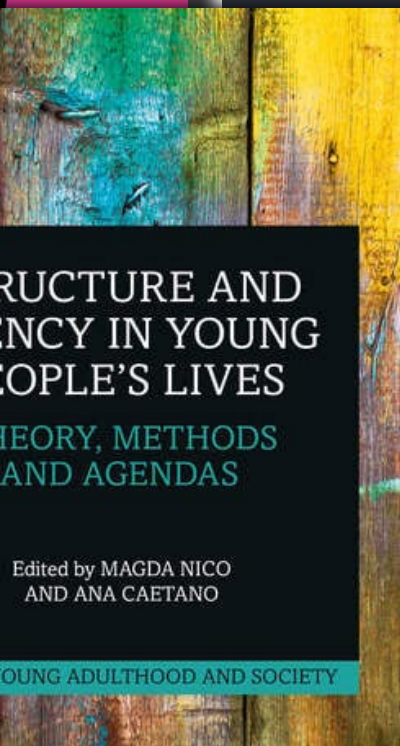
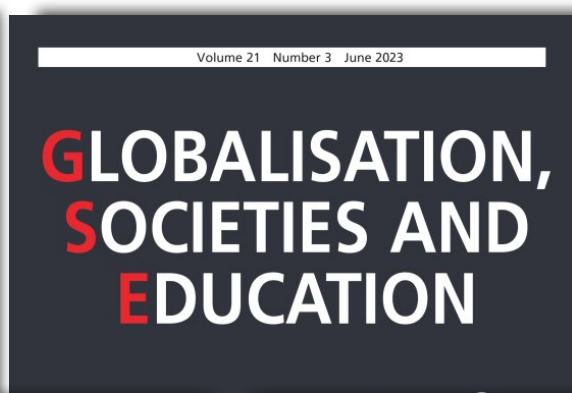
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Articles	129	149	164	165	163	169
Books Authorship	22	24	19	19	21	26
Book Editor	22	19	29	24	24	22
Book Chapters	111	107	126	134	132	148
Total	284	299	338	342	340	365



CIES Editions

CIES-Iscte has a long-standing history of contributing to the field of social sciences through its publication in the scientific journal *Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas* (SPP) since 1986. In 2010, the centre established its own publishing house, *Mundos Sociais*, responsible for publishing the SPP journal and peer-reviewed social science book collections. Additionally, CIES-Iscte collaborates with CEI-Iscte to publish the journal *Ler História*.

The centre is also involved in managing the indexed journals *Portuguese Journal of Social Science* (PJSS) and *Observatório* (OBS*), and it publishes the CIES e-Working Papers. Committed to open science, CIES-Iscte makes SPP articles and CIES e-Working Papers freely available online and recently released its first books with online editions to enhance accessibility and dissemination.

Meeting 100 numbers of *Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas*

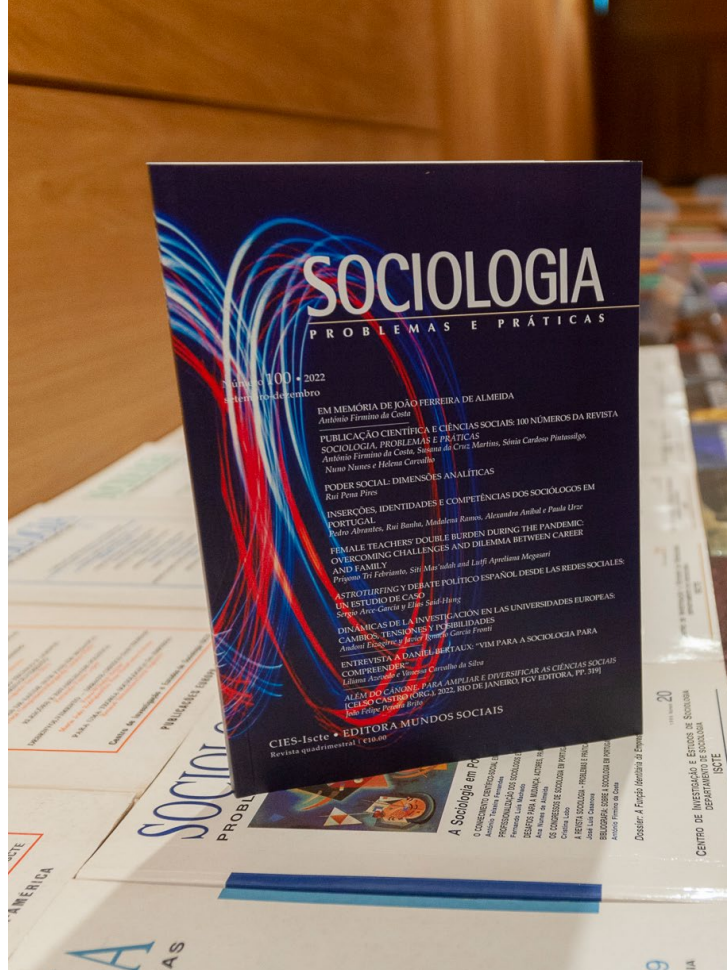


Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas Journal

A scientific journal published continuously since 1986 dedicated to publishing in-depth sociological analyses derived from original research, theoretical advancements, and thematic evaluations. The journal also welcomes interdisciplinary contributions from various social science fields. Serving an international audience, it features articles in Portuguese, English, Spanish, and French, authored by scholars from around the globe.

The journal upholds rigorous standards of scientific quality, diverse theoretical perspectives, and social relevance, with each article undergoing a stringent blind review by at least two internationally recognized experts to ensure a meaningful contribution to knowledge advancement.

'Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas' is published in open access and indexed in major international databases, and ranked in Scopus for Sociology, Political Science, and Social Sciences, significantly enhancing its visibility and citation impact.



18 issues
2018 - 2023

Mundos Sociais Publisher

Mundos Sociais is the CIES-Iscte scientific publisher and has as its main vocation the publishing of refereed social sciences' academic books in the areas of sociology, political science, or other social sciences. Beyond its main catalogue, Mundos Sociais publishes the scientific journal Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas, the Questões de Partida series and the Desigualdades series coordinated by the Observatório das Desigualdades (Inequality Observatory).



29 books
2018 - 2023

Ler História, Portuguese Journal of Social Science and OBS*

Ler História is a leading Portuguese academic journal focused on the history of Portugal, the Portuguese Empire, and Lusophone countries in the modern and contemporary eras. Published in four languages - Portuguese, English, Spanish, and French - it reaches a broad international audience. The journal covers diverse historical perspectives, including Iberian, Ibero-American, African, and Asian history, with a focus on comparative, transnational, and global approaches.

Internationally recognized and indexed in major academic databases, **Ler História** holds a **Q1** classification in the **Scimago Journal & Country Rank (SJR)**, affirming its status as a top-tier publication in historical research.



**Ler História
Journal**

Scimago Journal & Country Rank

The Portuguese Journal of Social Science (PJSS) holds significant importance as a key platform for academic research in the social sciences. Published by Intellect and managed by a consortium formed by Iscte and three of its research units: CIES-Iscte, CIS-Iscte and DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte, the journal benefits from the expertise and

collaboration of leading researchers. Since 2019, Nuno de Almeida Alves, a researcher from CIES-Iscte, has served as its editor.

Indexed in prestigious databases such as SCOPUS (Scimago), Capes-WebQualis, Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, and Sociological Abstracts, among others, reflects the journal's international reach and its importance in advancing social science research.

The journal **Observatorio (OBS*)** results from the collaboration between CIES-Iscte and OberCom (Communication Observatory). As an interdisciplinary journal, OBS welcomes contributions from various fields related to communication studies. It publishes articles in six languages—English, Spanish, Italian, Galician, French, and Portuguese—ensuring a diverse and inclusive platform for global discourse, all available in open access.

OBS* is indexed in several prestigious databases, including Scopus Elsevier/Scimago, ERIH-PLUS, and SciELO. In the Scimago Scientific Journal Rankings (SJR), OBS* holds a solid position in Quartile 3 and ranks as the second-leading Portuguese journal in the field of Communication.



CIES e-Working Papers

Launched in 2005, the CIES e-Working Papers (e-WP) series aims to disseminate electronic scientific papers from research by CIES-Iscte researchers, collaborators, and students.

These e-WPs, representing work in progress, cover theoretical, conceptual, methodological, or empirical studies and are suitable for presenting undergraduate or master's thesis results. Each submission undergoes evaluation by the Editorial Board and peer review to ensure high standards of quality and scientific relevance.

The series is international in scope and is published in Portuguese, English, Spanish, French, or Italian. Each paper is assigned an ISSN and is available through the Iscte repository.

25 e-WP
2018 - 2023





Advanced Training .



PhD PROGRAMS

CIES-Iscte has extensive experience in hosting doctoral students and managing doctoral programs, based on a strong interdependence between teaching and research.

At CIES, PhD students benefit of an intense closeness between faculty, researchers and students. To ensure high-quality research, PhD students are supervised by experienced researchers, and their activities are integrated into those of CIES' research groups and laboratories. They are actively engaged in a range of activities while being strongly encouraged to share the outcomes of their research gradually and participate in national and international debates. Some PhD students participate in advanced training activities in undergraduate and master's degrees.



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E POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS

CIES Programs

Communication

Modern and
Contemporary History

Policies of School
Administration
and Management

Political Science

Public Policy

Social Work

Sociology

Joint Programs

Communication Studies:
Technology, Culture
and Society

PhD FCT

Change and Continuity
in a Global World

Interuniversity Doctoral
Program in History (PIUDHIST)

Political Economy

Association with University
of Coimbra and University of Lisbon

Urban Studies

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PHD ACTIVITIES

PhD Colloquium

179 presentations
2018 - 2023

The Colloquium promotes and disseminates doctoral research by encouraging a broad debate on scientific topics and on research methods, problems and results. PhD students discuss their research with other students, professors and researchers.

International Cycle of PhD Conferences

106 sessions
2018 - 2023

With this Cycle students attend conferences with internationally renowned researchers having a chance to contact with these researchers and to deepen knowledge and debate in the scientific field.

The conferences organized by the seven PhD managed by CIES, with an average of 18 per year, take place in presence, except in the periods of Covid-19 pandemic, when they had to be held online. In 2018-2023 speakers came from all over the world, from 21 different countries, many European, but also extending to countries in America and Africa, including names such as Ann Nilsen, Margaret Archer, Colin Crouch, Daniel Bertaux, Philippe Schmitter, Stephen Ball, David Silverman, Elias Torres, Catherine Delcroix, Richard Lachman, among many others.

The PhD programs have established a broad international cooperation through:

- Participation of social scientists of international reference in the International Cycle of Doctoral Conferences and as lectures in optional curricular units;
- Partnerships with other universities (Erasmus+ program) and agreements with foreign universities.
- Possibility for some PhD students to carry out part of their research in foreign institutions, benefiting from the membership of CIES in a wide range of international networks;
- Participation of researchers from other countries in the orientation of PhD theses;
- Participation of researchers from other countries in juries.

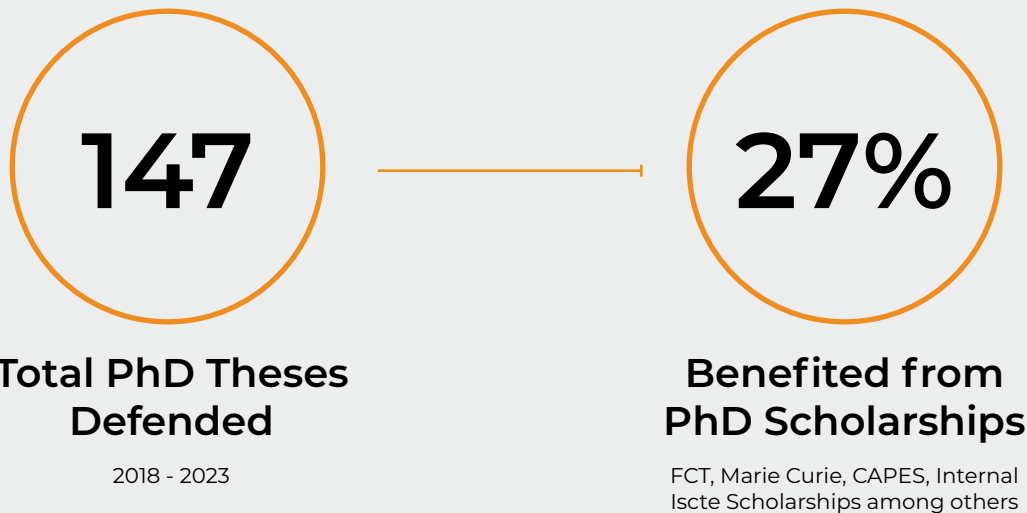
The Center's support structures ensure the necessary follow-up, both in the administrative management of the students' training path and in their research activities.

In this context, CIES also provides invaluable assistance to PhD candidates in preparing applications for scholarships from the National Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT), and from Iscte and other funding institutions. PhD students also have access to specialized software (SPSS, MAXQDA, Qualtrics, etc.), to Iscte laboratories (Laboratory for Innovative Methodologies, MediaLab), and to the Iscte Library and access to the Online Knowledge Library (b-on), which provides access to the full text to thousands of journals and ebooks of the main international scientific publishers. Doctoral students with exclusive dedication and scholarships are offered a working space in a shared office.

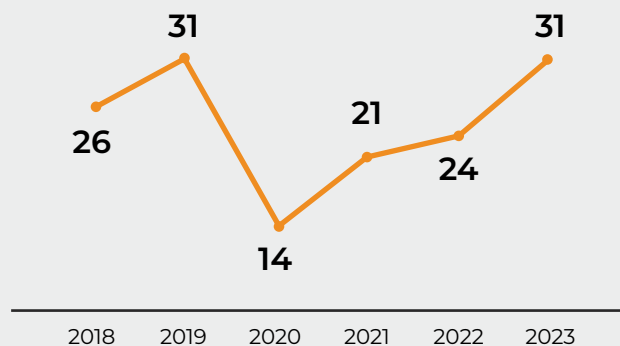


Doctoral Degree & Employability





Doctoral theses defended per year



The level of employability of doctorates is very high. A significant number of PhD holders remain connected to CIES or to other national and foreign research units, after winning contracts aimed at PhD holders.

In the case of PhD holders who have maintained a professional insertion parallel to the completion of the PhD, many of them experience a professional requalification. In recent years, the employability rate one year after completing the doctorate has ranged from 90 to 100 per cent. Around 60 per cent had obtained employment before or during their doctorate and the remaining after their doctorate. The vast majority worked in areas related to their PhD, in a direct way, and only a small percentage (10 per cent) worked in a different area.

Short Term Programs

CIES is committed to fostering academic growth and global exchange by organizing dynamic initiatives like summer, fall and winter schools. These programs offer participants an immersive experience, combining innovative sociological research with interdisciplinary learning.

Designed for students and scholars, these initiatives provide a unique platform to engage with leading experts, develop new skills, and expand professional networks.



Fall School

The 1st edition of the Fall School was held in 2023, in partnership with the Methodological Innovation Laboratory and School of Sociology and Public Policy. This initiative was a significant opportunity for students and professionals aiming to deepen their knowledge of research methods and data analysis. Over an intensive week, participants had the chance to engage in practical and theoretical workshops led by renowned experts in the field.

This initiative offered a unique opportunity for participants to enhance their research and data analysis skills while fostering collaboration and networking.

Summer & Winter Schools

In partnership with the IPPS, CIES organizes two annual training activities: the European Drugs Summer School and the Winter School. These activities are supported by experts from the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA).

The schools aim to equip professionals and students with the knowledge and skills to address complex policy issues related to drug use in Europe and around the world. CIES has been part of the organization of this initiative since 2014.





Science and Society .

Public Policy Contributions

CIES research has contributed in numerous ways to support public policy initiatives and to shape decision-making.

Contributions include influencing agenda setting and decision-making, identifying trends that can impact policy decisions, shaping legislation, raising public awareness, providing expert testimony and expertise, monitoring and evaluating public policies and achieving policy prominence in key roles. CIES plays an active role in many different policy fields such as inequality, culture, community development, social welfare, education, migration and integration, environment, science and higher education, urban issues and defense.

The Center's specialized Observatories, namely the Inequality Observatory, the Emigration Observatory and the Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities operate as key structures in the production and dissemination of scientific knowledge and statistical information according to requests and challenges posed by public policies agencies and civil society. The Observatories provide evidence-based research that contributes to public policy and to more effective and targeted interventions that positively impact communities and societies.

CIES has actively engaged with policymakers at various levels, fostering collaborations between academia and government institutions.

The Centre has developed and promoted platforms for dialogue, allowing researchers and policymakers to exchange ideas and perspectives. These synergies are reflected in the wide-ranging formal collaborations and projects funded by executive and public entities. Between 2018 and 2023 is possible to identify 56 projects focused on structuring civil society issues and financed by public institutions, such as intermunicipal communities, city councils, public agencies, regional directorates, directorates-general, secretaries-general and ministries.



56

Projects focused on structuring civil society issues financed by public institutions
2018 - 2023

Research results have been cited and referenced in international reports. Among the most relevant are:



CITED IN

United Nations Environment Programme

Global Environment Outlook – GEO-6: Healthy Planet, Healthy People. (2019)

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Tews, K., Busch, P. O., & Helge Jörgens



CITED IN

The COVID-19 impact on gender equality in research & innovation – Policy report

European Commission - Research and Innovation. Publications Office of the European Union. (2023)

“Having a Family Is the New Normal”: Parenting in Neoliberal Academia during the COVID-19 Pandemic

T. França, F. Godinho, B. Padilla, M. Vicente, L. Amâncio, & A. Fernandes



CITED IN

Investing in our future – Quality investment in education and training

European Commission - Education, Youth, Sport and Culture Publications Office of the European Union. (2022)

A dimensão das turmas no Sistema Educativo Português

L. Capucha, H. Carvalho, J. Sebastião, S. da Cruz Martins, I. Tavares



CITED IN

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Domingos Fernandes



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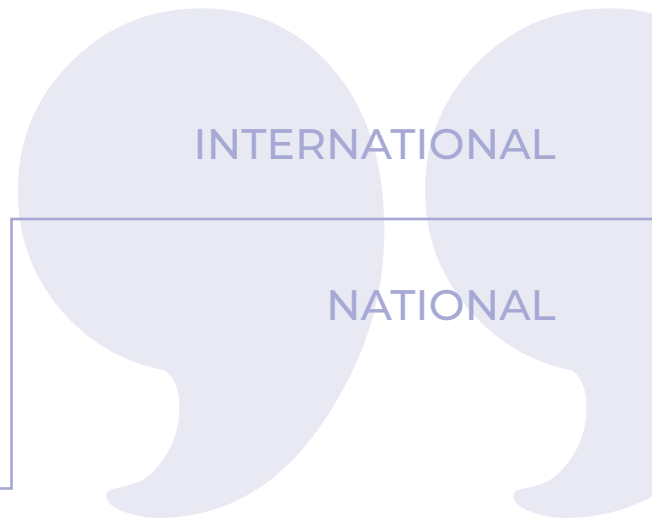


CITED IN

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Catarino, A., Pereira, C. M., Kiss, N., Pimenta, S. e Saias, R. Instituto Português do Desporto e da Juventude, I.P. (2020)

Plano Nacional da Juventude
Magda Nico



Public Policy Contributions



PUBLIC POLICY HIGH-LEVEL OFFICES

CIES researchers have been appointed to key decision-making positions. In the last six years, these include two ministers (Culture; National Defense); Secretary of State for Integration and Migration; President of the National Council of Education; Director of the Social Development Department of the Social Security Institute, IP; Commissioner for the Celebration of the 50th anniversary of the 25th April.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

The study "Class Size in the Portuguese Education System" (2017) carried out by the research team coordinated by Luís Capucha led to the normative order (Despacho normativo nº 1-B/2017) that defined limits to class size in various school years.

PUBLIC POLICY FORUM

The Public Policy Forum brings together high-level government officials and policymakers, politicians, academics, researchers, journalists, students, and many other concerned citizens to address complex societal challenges and advance the public good.

The annual initiative held since 2012 in partnership with the Institute for Social and Public Policy, debates ideas and provides knowledge and information that helps improve planning, implementing, regulating, and evaluating public policies in Portugal.

In the last years, the Forum addressed the following policy concerns:

- Development, Decentralization and Local Government
- Public Policy Evaluations
- European Funding and Public Policy in Portugal
- The University and Local Power: What challenges?
- Democracy: 50 Years of Public Policy



Social Impact

The impact of CIES activities extends beyond academia, reflecting broader implications for society. CIES's overarching research objectives encompass not only the advancement of scientific research, but also specialised training, and the dissemination of knowledge to society, addressing the needs and concerns of stakeholders and citizens. A fundamental premise of research impact is that the inclusion and active involvement of various stakeholders in research processes can yield more beneficial research outcomes. Alongside media outreach and engagement with public policies, CIES researchers played a crucial role in transferring generated knowledge to society through iterative practices involving several profiles of organisations, as private, non-profit and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). The nature of interactions and the roles adopted by participants in this exchange vary.

Through collaborative efforts with these non-academic partners and engagement in diverse contexts, CIES conducted activities aimed at disseminating knowledge, co-creating solutions, and catalysing societal transformation with fostering participation and facilitating change within local and global communities.

NETWORK ACTIVITIES, PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIONS

While most of CIES's scientific research was funded by government and public grants, 24 projects were developed between 2018 and 2023 with funding from 15 private non-profit organisations. The funded projects are distributed across the various research groups, with a particular focus on three: Media and Culture, Inequality, Work and Social Well-Being, and Education and Science. Among the funding organisations, six have international reach.

In this context, four organisations stand out due to their enduring and frequent connections with CIES:

- Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, an international foundation based in Portugal, has provided funding for the development of individuals and organisations through initiatives spanning art, science, education, and charity.
- Francisco Manuel dos Santos Foundation, whose mission is to promote and improve knowledge of Portuguese realities, has funded other projects.
- Fundação Millennium bcp, which promotes initiatives in the fields of culture, education, research and charity, together with a company (ONI), financed a research partnership with CIES and the Directorate-General for Cultural

Heritage (DGPC), the entity responsible for museum policies in Portugal, to produce a National Museums Visitors Survey (see Box 1 and Box 7).

- A non-profit organisation connected with McDonald's restaurants (ARS) has financed three projects (see Box 2).

Other notable funding partners include:

Non-profit international foundations such as Fundación "la Caixa" and Aga Khan Foundation.

CSOs including one the most important charitable organisations in Portugal (Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa); and associations in the fields of art and culture (APORDOC; ARTEMREDE; Confederação

Portuguesa das Coletividades da Cultura, Recreio e Desporto), education (European Association of Schools of Social Work), social inclusion (Inovar Autismo), social innovation (DJASSI AFRICA, Democracy Reporting International gGmbH), or associative structures representing a profession (Ordem dos Médicos Veterinários).

1

Getting to know national museums visitors, together with a bank foundation and the Directorate General for Cultural Heritage (DGPC)

The National Museums Visitor Study (EPMN) was promoted by the Directorate-General for Cultural Heritage (DGPC) in Portugal to gain comprehensive insights into the visitors of its museums. By partnering with CIES, the study aimed to generate reliable data about various aspects of museum visitation. Sponsored by the Millennium Foundation BCP and ONI, the study involved all the national museums managed by DGPC (fourteen), located across Lisbon Metropolitan Area, North, and Centre regions of Portugal. Through this partnership, DGPC endeavours to enhance knowledge about its museums and improve engagement with visitors, fostering a more enriching museum experience.

2

Producing knowledge by partnering with restaurants and the National Reading Plan 2027

Between 2019 and 2023, McDonald's restaurants association ARS funded a research line with three projects in the field of students' cultural reading practices: "Reading Practices of Portuguese Students"; "Evolution of Reading Practices of Primary and Secondary School Students – Barometer"; and "Reading Promotion Practices: Reading Mediators Survey". The projects were carried out in partnership with the "National Reading Plan 2027", a public policy that recognizes reading and literacy as essential tools for achieving educational success, enhancing the qualifications and competencies of the population, fostering sustainable growth, and advancing scientific and technological progress. This policy aligns with the objectives of the 2030 Agenda of the United Nations, the 2020 Europe Strategy, and the goals of 2020 Portugal.

CIES engaged in direct collaboration with 93 local, national, European and international non-academic institutions across 56 projects, with certain partners participating in multiple projects.

This highlights CIES's dedication to fostering social impact, partnership, and embracing interdisciplinary approaches. Partnering with non-academic entities enables researchers to tap into additional resources and expertise, enriching their research projects. More importantly, it allows for the application of theoretical knowledge in real-world contexts, fostering the development of solutions and making research outcomes more relevant and impactful.

The network of non-academic partner organisations comprises 44% international entities and encompasses a diverse array of institutions across multiple sectors.

Some organisations concentrate on specific areas such as autism support, literacy promotion, and cultural exchange, while others tackle broader issues such as equality, human rights, and sustainable development. Collectively, these institutions play crucial

3

Collaborative Laboratory for Work, Employment and Social Protection - CoLABOR

Iscte is an associate partner of the CoLABOR that comprises a team of researchers possessing diverse academic and professional backgrounds. It leverages resources from academia, corporations, governmental bodies, and social and solidarity economy organisations, with the aim of gaining a comprehensive understanding of current and anticipated challenges in three core areas: a) work and employment; b) social protection; and c) the social and solidarity economy. Notable national entities involved in social inclusion, such as Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa and Confederação Nacional das Instituições de Solidariedade, as well as three prominent corporations – Delta Cafés, Monta-Engil, and SONAE – are part of this initiative.

4

Tackling disinformation in Spain and Portugal

IBERIFIER is an Iberian hub that aims to tackle disinformation in Spain and Portugal by bringing together a consortium of 23 partners, composed of 12 universities, 5 independent fact-checking organisations and publicly owned news agencies, as Lusa, Agência de Notícias de Portugal SA (LUSA), and 6 leading institutions on strategic analysis, computer and data science, and media research. With the support of public authorities of both countries, relevant media organisations, several scientific and professional associations, as well as some other stakeholders, the activities of this Action comprise, among other goals, the development of media literacy, through a set of activities targeted mainly to young people, journalists and citizens in general.



roles in confronting societal challenges and fostering social advancement on both local and global scales (see box 3). Remarkably, non-academic partners were deeply involved in long-term collaborations, with projects typically spanning between three to four years. This commitment to sustained engagement is particularly evident in the field of migrations, where 48 local organisations, primarily non-profit and public entities, were active partners.

Moreover, public institutions engage significantly, representing 20% of all partners, and are particularly important in initiatives concerning migration and media. The involvement of private partners spans various sectors, with technology, education, and media companies taking the lead. Collaborations include communication agencies and news companies, offering extensive dissemination capabilities to reach broad audiences, as exemplified by the IBERIFIER project described in Box 4.



OUTCOMES IN THE FORM OF DIFFUSIONS PUBLISHING OUTSIDE ACADEMIA

The initiatives of CIES are geared towards making a positive impact on diverse audiences, spanning across sectors such as business, government, media, civil society, and public discourse. This contribution to broader intellectual and public debate occurs through the dissemination of products and active engagement with target communities both nationally and internationally. Among the array of over 30 products aimed at non-academic audiences, a quarter were international. Notable mentions include digital databases like CoLABOR, which provide statistical and legal information at international, national, and local levels on work, employment, and social protection. Additionally, websites, apps, and games such as "Violet Lives," which sheds light on women's experiences confronting gender stereotypes, are highlighted. Other formats encompass documentaries (see Box 5 and

6), photographic records, as well as books, toolkits, and technical reports developed in collaboration with non-academic partners as part of specific projects.

Diffusions in the form of interviews are also a significant part of these outputs, as in the case of "A Sociological Look at the Covid-19

5

Cultivating citizenship through ethnographic micro-documentaries

As a segment of the ArtCitizenship research initiative, which investigates the non-institutional spaces for cultivating citizenship and involvement in the public domain, "Ghetto Scenes" comprises a collection of 27 episodes. These illuminate the residents, artists, and heritage of Quinta do Mocho through ethnographic micro-documentaries. The series aims to explore the connections between art, creativity, and political engagement.

Crisis" (see box 7) and the CIES-Iscte TALK Podcast - Art and Culture Discussions. The recipients of these disseminations include a diverse range of audiences, both individuals and organisations, spanning local, national, and international contexts.

6

Identifying and understanding the trajectories of Roma students

The documentary "EduCIG - School performances among the Roma" was launched as part of the EduCig action-research and co-design project, dedicated to understanding the school performances and trajectories of Roma students in Portugal

7

Interviewing sociologists to get insights on the pandemic's societal impacts

"A Sociological Look at the Covid-19 Crisis" comprises a series of 19 YouTube videos developed within Observatório das Desigualdades, featuring interviews with sociologists. With a significant viewership, some reaching up to more than two thousand views, these conversations offer an insightful examination of the pandemic's societal impacts



OUTCOMES IN THE FORM OF ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT IN NON-ACADEMIC EVENTS

Social impact is also derived from close collaboration with user communities and non-academic partners through activities, participatory approaches, and co-creation of knowledge. Over one hundred events were organised, held, or participated in with non-academic partners in locations outside academia, engaging communities, stakeholders, and end users, among others. These events encompassed various formats, such as debate sessions open to all, science communication sessions, public screenings, art exhibitions/installations, jury contest participations, community discussions or film screenings. The target groups included the general public, decision-makers, companies, interest groups, trade

8

Promoting the social impact of cultural organisations

Between 2022 and 2023, OPAC participated in the construction of CISOC, a measure of the Portuguese National Arts Plan to enable cultural organisations to promote their social impact with audiences and communities based on a commitment. The CISOC KIT is a set of support tools that facilitate the implementation of the commitment. It corresponds to the publication Social Impact Commitment of Cultural Organisations. Fundamentals, Methodology and Support Tools. Its implementation includes dissemination meetings and training activities in organisations. It was presented at an international conference held in December 2023.

9

Tackling failure and school dropout based on a European project

In 2021, CIES researchers were invited to perform two teacher training sessions on "Strategies to Combat School Failure and Dropout: Lessons from the Below 10 project" as part of the internal teacher training program at a Vocational Secondary School in Lisbon. This training initiative was inspired by, and directly connected with, the action research project "Below 10".

unions, and other civil society organisations. Venues ranged from cultural organisations (see box 8) to civil society organisations, foundations, city councils, consulates, cafes, schools, public libraries, film festivals, and public spaces in vulnerable and stigmatised neighbourhoods. Debate sessions and discussions include quite diverse topics such as housing, sexual work, human trafficking, transgender issues, populism, art and culture, among many others.

Other forms of dialogue with communities included training and knowledge transfer initiatives, the development of formal and informal consultancy and participation in the creative arts. Active participation in training initiatives targeting non-academic audiences has been developed, indicating a commitment to broadening the reach of knowledge dissemination beyond traditional academic spheres. Training activities include events as presentation and discussion of a film as a training activity in a hospital/health centre, training teachers in schools or school clusters (see box 9), perform training for cultural organisations aiming to promote the capacity and sustainability of civil society,

The social impact of CIES activities between 2018 and 2023 extends far beyond academia, demonstrating broader societal implications.



or organising seminar series on current changes in cities in several public locations in Lisbon.

The social impact of CIES-Iscte activities between 2018 and 2023 extends far beyond academia, demonstrating broader societal implications. Research objectives, going beyond scientific advancement, aim to address the needs of stakeholders and citizens both locally and globally by

creative forms of engagement, providing specialized training and disseminating knowledge. In essence, CIES's significant social impact stems from its dedication to public engagement and collaborative knowledge transfer, emphasizing diffusion, training, and interdisciplinary dialogue to achieve meaningful societal impact on both local and global scales.

CIES in the Media

CIES researchers play a crucial role in shaping public discourse by sharing their expert views with the media. Their contributions provide greater clarity and depth to issues relevant to the media agenda. In addition, their perspectives often align with the themes of CIES studies or projects, making them a valuable resource for journalists and other media professionals.

Between 2018 and 2023, CIES researchers actively participated in television programs and debates on topics related to national and European elections, as well as on migration policies, covering a range of topics

relevant to the centre's agenda. They have also regularly contributed to newspaper columns.

Some researchers regularly contribute to national press columns and are often featured as guests on television programs, emphasizing the importance and relevance of their knowledge and experience. This consistent presence in the media underlines the ability of CIES researchers to influence and improve public debate, promoting a more informed and comprehensive understanding of current issues.



Mulheres trans são dos grupos mais discriminados no acesso ao emprego

As pessoas trans são dos grupos mais discriminados no acesso ao emprego, sobretudo as mulheres trans, alertou a investigadora Sandra Saleiro, segundo a qual, depois da conquista legislativa, é preciso investir nas políticas públicas.



ENTREVISTA

Precariedade: “As pessoas acabam por ser escravas do presente imediato”

Renato Miguel do Carmo, sociólogo e investigador do CIES-IUL, alerta para o risco de se normalizar a precariedade e defende que é preciso rever o sistema de protecção social destes trabalhadores.

Raquel Martins · 13 de Maio de 2019, 6:30

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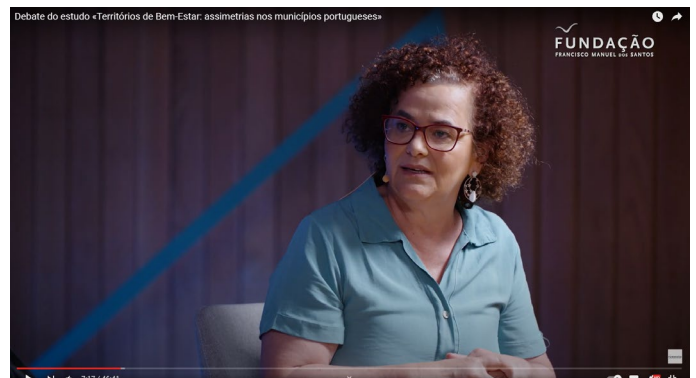
Magda Nico. Mitos e simplificações no modo como olhamos para os jovens

O podcast 45 Graus é um dos parceiros da Rede PÚBLICO.

José Maria Pimentel
3 de Janeiro de 2022, 19:25



Esta semana, no *podcast 45 Graus*, a convidada é a socióloga Magda Nico, investigadora integrada do Centro de Investigação e Estudos de Sociologia (CIES) e professora auxiliar no ISCTE-IUL, em Lisboa. A sua investigação segue uma perspectiva crítica ao longo do tempo e das gerações e dedica-se a estudar as



Promotion of Scientific Culture

CIES-Iscte is dedicated to making science accessible to all by promoting and disseminating its research.

The research team plays an essential role in advancing scientific culture, not only by sharing scientific knowledge but also by contributing to the critical development of society across various sectors.



Agência Ciência Viva Initiatives

CIES partners with Agência Ciência Viva to participate in several initiatives every year. One of these initiatives is the 'Science in the Holidays for Young People' program, which offers high school students an exclusive opportunity to work alongside center researchers on several topics.

Another significant initiative is Science and Technology Week, where CIES welcomes secondary schools and encourages interaction and participatory debate on topics such as sustainability, politics, sociology, and communication. Through summer internships and secondary school visits, CIES highlights its work and the involvement of researchers in promoting and understanding scientific processes related to everyday topics.



European Researchers' Night

The European Researchers' Night is an annual event that aims to bridge the gap between scientists and the public. The event aims to demystify scientists as distant and inaccessible figures and raise awareness among young people about the importance of research and innovation in Europe. It provides an opportunity to share concerns and expectations about how science can solve contemporary problems.

The initiative invites universities, research centers, and schools from various European cities to participate in constructive debates on different fields of science to build a better future. CIES-Iscte researchers have actively participated in animated debates, quizzes, exhibitions, and science coffees during the event.



Research Ethics

The Research Ethics Conduct Code, approved by Rectoral Decree n°. 86/2016 on 27 December 2016, regulates research at Iscte. This code establishes a set of ethical standards for research activities carried out by members of Iscte's organic units, including the School for Sociology and Public Policy (ESPP).

The ESPP's Ethics Committee reviews research conducted within CIES with the objective of providing appropriate support and oversight on the implementation of ethical and professional principles in research projects, doctoral theses, and publications. The Ethics Committee holds responsibility for ensuring and overseeing the promotion of ethical standards to protect and guarantee integrity, dignity, honesty, and ethical quality in research activities, considering the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), that highlights the importance of safeguarding personal information.

By putting forward comprehensive guidelines concerning the handling, storage, and use of personal data, guaranteeing that individuals' privacy rights are respected and protected, the GDPR emphasises transparency, consent and accountability in data processing activities, marking a significant step towards the reinforcement of individuals' control over their personal data. Within the research domain, adherence to ethical norms concerning data protection implies securing informed consent, anonymisation or pseudonymisation of data, and confidentiality to protect participants' privacy.

The foundations of ethical research are provided by informed consent, guaranteeing participants' awareness of the nature, objectives, and presumed potential risks the proposed research may entail before agreeing to participate. As for anonymisation and pseudonymisation,

these data protection instruments reduce the risks implicit in personal data violations and preserve participants' anonymity. Anonymisation removes all identifiers irreversibly, making re-identification impossible, while pseudonymisation allows the data to be de-identified but potentially re-identified with additional information. Despite being closely associated, confidentiality and data protection serve distinct purposes. Confidentiality focuses on the duty of keeping secret information shared in confidence, whereas data protection covers a wider range of practices aimed at ensuring the security, integrity, and privacy of personal data.

The ESPP Ethics Committee's reviews seek to distinguish between confidentiality, privacy, and data protection by following the GDPR's framework for data protection. Implementing informed consent, anonymisation, and pseudonymisation allows researchers to ensure their work's ethical integrity and legal compliance. Ultimately, this comprehensive approach to data protection not only safeguards participants' rights but also enhances the credibility and reliability of the research processes.

Thus, the Ethics Committee that reviews the work of CIES members seeks to promote adherence to ethical principles in research with the ultimate objective of defending the quality of research. This entails protecting the dignity, safety and well-being of research participants whilst simultaneously safeguarding the security and reputation of researchers themselves.

Open Science

Open science aims to make research and data accessible. CIES does so by ensuring transparency, collaboration, sharing knowledge and by encouraging open access to research publications, data, methods, and tools.

The goal is to make science more inclusive, by accelerating and improving the accessibility of research. There are multiple ways to do so. Key practices include open data, open access journals, open-source software, collaborative platforms, adhering to Open Research Europe, identifying predatory journals and contributing to peer-reviewing of scientific publications.

The Centre adheres to the FCT policy for Open Access of Scientific Publications and utilize the Open Access Scientific Repositories of Portugal (RCAAP) and the Online Knowledge Library (b-on).



Gender Equality

CIES-Iscte's gender equality principles are deeply aligned with Iscte's "Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Plan."

The Centre's initiatives focus on fostering gender equality through **four key dimensions**:

Equality

Ensuring gender balance in leadership roles and equal access to all positions by applying gender-neutral selection criteria. CIES-Iscte also promotes inclusivity by ensuring its physical spaces, such as gender-neutral bathrooms, are accessible and welcoming to individuals of all gender identities.

Monitoring

CIES-Iscte regularly monitors the progress of gender parity across all positions and updates its Gender Equality Plan to ensure continued improvement.

Work-Life Balance

CIES promotes a flexible work environment, including remote work options, enabling researchers with caregiving responsibilities to balance their professional, family, and personal lives. The institute also adheres to the "Code of Conduct for the Prevention and Combating of Workplace Harassment," maintaining a zero-tolerance policy towards any form of harassment.

Knowledge Production

The Centre develops numerous research projects and initiatives targeting the academic community, policymakers, and the broader public.

These efforts are committed to deconstructing stereotypes, addressing social dynamics that legitimize gender asymmetries and hierarchies, and fostering greater awareness of gender-related issues.

As a result, CIES-Iscte has made significant strides in advancing gender equality within its leadership, contributed extensively to the promotion of knowledge in gender studies, and integrated gender considerations into its physical infrastructure, ensuring a truly inclusive and equitable environment for all.



MAIN PROJECTS

Cávado + Equal
PI Sandra Palma Saleiro

Gender Equality Plan of the Municipality of Covilhã
PI Catarina Sales Oliveira

FCT Gender Research 4 COVID 19
Evaluation study on the level of satisfaction of users of the national victim support network
PI Maria Dores Guerreiro

QUALREP
The Quality of Women's Political Representation
PI Ana Espírito Santo

National Portuguese Study on the Needs of LGBTI+ Persons and the reasons for discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and sexual characteristics
PI Sandra Palma Saleiro

sage19
Scientific and Academic Gender (in) equality during Covid19
PI Thais França

Trajectories of Refuge: gender, intersectionality and public policies in Portugal
PI Beatriz Padilla

FUNDING

POISE - Operational Program for Social Inclusion and Employment

EEA Grants

FCT

Municipality of Covilhã

UK Research and Innovation

ACM - High Commission for Migration

Glossary

AMIF - Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund

CAPES - Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Employees / Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior

CIES – Centre for Research and Studies in Sociology / Centro de Investigação e Estudos de Sociologia

CSOs - Civil Society Organizations

COST Actions – European Cooperation in Science & Technology

DGPC - Directorate-General for Cultural Heritage / Direção-Geral do Património Cultural

EACEA - Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency

EDMO - European Digital Media Observatory

EMCDDA - European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction

ERC - European Research Council

ESPP - School for Sociology and Public Policy / Escola de Sociologia e Políticas Públicas

EU – European Union

e-WP - e-Working Papers

FCT – Foundation for Science and Technology / Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia

FFMS - Francisco Manuel dos Santos Foundation / Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos

GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation / Regulamento Geral sobre a Proteção de Dados

H2020 – Horizon 2020

IMISCOE –International Migration Research Network

Iscte – University Institute of Lisboa / Instituto Universitário de Lisboa

Iscte KI – Iscte Knowledge and Innovation / Iscte Conhecimento e Inovação

LIM - Methodological Innovation Laboratory / Laboratório de Inovação Metodológica

MediaLab - Communication Sciences Laboratory / Laboratório de Ciências da Comunicação

MSCA - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Nascer.pt - Laboratory of Social Studies on Birth / Laboratório de Estudos Sociais sobre Nascimento

NEI - European Researchers' Night / Noite Europeia dos Investigadores

OD - Inequality Observatory / Observatório das Desigualdades

ODRP - Observatory for Democracy and Political Representation / Observatório da Democracia e da Representação Política

OEm - Emigration Observatory / Observatório da Emigração

OPAC - Portuguese Observatory on Cultural Activities

PJSS - Portuguese Journal of Social Science

R&D – Research and development

RG – Research Group

SDLab - SocioDigital Lab for Public Policy

SPP - Sociologia, Problemas e Práticas

SSH- Social Science and Humanities

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