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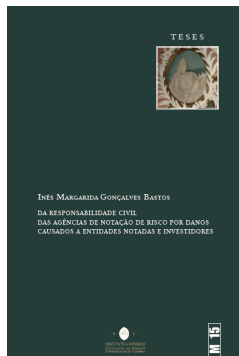


It is an atypical newsletter the one which we propose today. And yet, this has less to do with the recent *summer break* (which is expected to have been luminous and restful!) than with the persistence of multiple situations of uncertainty, situations of which we are all aware and which prevent us from confirming (with the required details) the activities that are planned for the coming months.

There is however a topos which contrasts with these silences, whilst highlighting the core of the current newsletter. It concerns the so-called *projects-candidates* (some of them identified in the previous issues), whilst celebrating their first positive answers. The success of these answers, as an achievement concerning every member of UCILeR, deserves in fact a celebration, not only as the consecration of a relentless effort but also as a stimulus and promise of future. So that, in a flow without rest, many other proposals arise...

# I. Latest UCILeR Publications

## Publications with UCILeR's edition



### M.15 | DA RESPONSABILIDADE CIVIL DAS AGÊNCIAS DE NOTAÇÃO DE RISCO POR DANOS CAUSADOS A ENTIDADES NOTADAS E INVESTIDORES

Inês Margarida Gonçalves Bastos

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This dissertation analyses, in its main dogmatic coordinates, the problematic civil liability of the credit-rating agencies for damage caused to rated entities and investors.



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# I. UCILeR Internal Life

**i.** Holding the position of project leader, the UCILeR had two international projects approved in European tenders.

**1.** Led by Doctor Afonso Patrão, the project “EU-ADAPT: Adaptation of rights in rem in cross-border succession within EU” has an estimated duration of 24 months and a budget of € 226,892. The project was approved under the call “action grants to promote judicial cooperation in civil and criminal justice” of the H2020 program.

The purpose of the project is to simplify cross-border succession whenever the applicable law to the whole of the succession grants a right in rem on immoveable property which is unknown to the law of the Member State in which such right is invoked. The project will analyse and develop tools granting legal certainty on the adaptation of rights in rem within cross-border successions. The Project aims to establish a system of equivalence between the rights in rem, so that the correspondent right in rem of *lex situs* to the right provided for by *lex successionis* can be anticipated. This equivalence shall be provided through the use of an e-justice platform, which can advise authorities dealing with the succession to find the correspondent right in rem granted by the law applicable to the succession.

With the participation of Doctors Margarida Costa Andrade and Monica Jardim, researchers from UCILeR, the consortium is formed by researchers from the Universities of Valencia, Genova, Uppsala and Heidelberg.

**2.** Led by Doctor Dulce Lopes, the “European Citizens' Initiative: A Tool for Engagement and Active Citizenship” project will run for 27 months, starting on 31.12.2020. Its estimated budget is 279 042,00 €. The project was approved under the Erasmus + Program.

This project aims to fill in this gap and provide for a structured offer within the participant organizations that allow for the development of civic engagement and participation skills within a university environment.

The ECI: From A to Z is the ideal terrain to promote new methods and tools for learning processes that are to be applied in a collaborative and practical way (learning by doing) in which students are the co-constitutive creators of their own European Citizens Initiative.

With the participation of Doctor Alexandra Aragão, researcher at UCILeR, and with the Distance Learning Project at University of Coimbra, the consortium has researchers from the University of Vigo, University of Iași and University of Göttingen.

**ii.** UCILeR Investigators Alexandre Libório Pereira and Paula Veiga were accepted as National Coordinators within the COST Action “Global Digital Human Rights Network” (GDHRNet) CA19143.

The GDHRNet COST Action will systematically explore the theoretical and practical challenges posed by the online context to the protection of human rights. The network will address whether international human rights law is sufficiently detailed to enable governments and private online companies to understand their respective obligations vis-à-vis human rights protection online.

**iii.** A third project from UCILeR, submitted to Erasmus +, received a positive evaluation for approval, but due to budgetary limitations, it was put on the waiting list. The project is on hold, waiting further information until the end of 2020. The “Sports Media: Guides for the Future” project has the objective of promoting social justice, using sport as a tool to raise awareness of societal challenges, and by promoting media ethics and social responsibility, creating sports journalism guides to cover relevant social issues, such as racism, gender equality, diversity and physical disability. Led by Doctor Fernando Borges, the project gathers researchers from the University of Lille, University of Vienna, University of Loughborough, University Jozef Pilsudski and Fair Play / Vienna Institute for International Dialogue and Cooperation.

**iv.** The University of Coimbra in conjunction with the Santander Bank launched the “Inovação pedagógica4UC” call, that was, among other four projects, awarded to the UCILeR Investigator, Doctor Alexandra Aragão. The prize was attributed to the game named Almejar 2030 (“analysis of disputes and risk and environmental mediation”), meant for second cycle students and based on a gamification strategy. It aims to develop students’ competencies in socioenvironmental mediation of conflicts in contexts of sustainable development.

## II. Programmed UCILeR Events

### I. October 16th 2020, 4pm – Conference cycle about the Budget - Gender Budgeting

Organisation: UCILeR (Globalisation, Economics and Law)

On the 16th of October a Conference on Gender Budgeting will be held at Colégio da Trindade – Faculty of Law (UC) and also transmitted via zoom. The program is as follows

Opening session: Dr. Rosa Monteiro (State Secretary for Citizenship and Equality)

Guest speakers:

- Professor Firat Cengiz – University of Liverpool
- Professor Lina Coelho – Faculty of Economics (UC)
- Professor Fernando Rocha Andrade – Faculty of Law (UC)
- Professor Matilde Lavouras – Faculty of Law (UC)

Moderator: Professor Teresa Almeida – Faculty of Law (UC)

### II. October 29th 2020 - Civil Procedure Encounter of Ibero-American PhD Students

The Civil Procedure Encounter of Ibero-American PhD Students is a joining organisation between the UCILeR and the University of Salamanca and features Professors Diego Palomo (Chile) and Diana María Ramírez (Colombia). This event will be held online.

# I. Project Calls

## i. "International Emerging Actions" contest 2020

The "International Emerging Actions" are projects led by a holder linked to a CNRS (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique) research unit and a holder affiliated with a foreign research institution. The aim is to explore new fields of research and new partnerships abroad.

Deadline for submission: **September 23, 2020.**

To find out more see the website: <https://international.cnrs.fr/campagne-cnrs/>.

## ii. "La Caixa" e FCT – Programa Promove

The Programa Promove maintains the objective of supporting innovative initiatives in strategic fields for the development of interior inland and border regions and that are replicable for other regions with similar characteristics.

For the first time, the *Programa Promove* includes a specific line with the support of FCT, to promote R&D projects that contribute for the development of interior inland and border regions, based on knowledge and innovation in a perspective of valuing local resources and skills and strengthening qualified human resources - rallying R&D projects.

Deadline for submission: **October 4, 2020.**

To find out more see the website <https://www.fct.pt/apoios/cooptrans/fundacaolacaixa/index.phtml.pt>.



## II. Calls for other events and publications

### i. Revista de Direito, Universidade Federal de Viçosa/ MG (Brazil) – Call for papers, special issue (2021)

Call for papers are open, to be published in volume 13 (2021), special issue, of Revista de Direito (Law Review), Federal University of Viçosa/ MG, referring to the first semester of 2021, with the subject “Racial Affirmative Actions, structural racism and law: reflections on racial public policies and their impacts on society”.

Contributions are intended to work on the subject in a transdisciplinary approach between Law and Public Policies. Papers that are dedicated to debating what structural racism is, how we can perceive it and fight it; colorism and female struggles; miscegenation; income distribution by color; political representativeness; representativeness in the judiciary; representation in the academy; the advances and challenges of the Quota Law in its first decade; the proposals for reform of the Quota Law; Statute of Racial Equality; transversality of public policies and the racial issue; whiteness and racial public policies; the relation of blackness in the various spheres of law (Labor; Economic, Administrative, Financial, Criminal, etc.) will be received and published.

The dossier “Affirmative Racial Actions, Structural Racism and the Law: Reflections on racial public policies and their impacts on society” will have as guest editors professors Davi Augusto Santana de Lelis (davi.lelis@ufv.br ) and Evanilda Nascimento de Godoi Bustamante (evanildagodoi@ufv.br).

Deadline for submission: **December 1, 2020.**

To find out more see the website: <https://periodicos.ufv.br/revistadir/about/submissions>.

### ii. The Crossroads of Crime Writing: Historical, Sociological and Cultural Contexts/ Intersections/Perspectives

This volume, which will be proposed to a leading independent academic publisher, seeks to explore the implications of crime writing in its various narrative forms through essays which situate orientations fictional and non-fictional, past and present in relation to public perspectives.

Essays that provide new insights into the works of significant authors, series or sub-genres of crime literature that we once thought we knew and/ or examine the intersections of the real and fictional within the broader genre of Crime Writing in meaningful ways are invited.

Contributors are encouraged to dissect the historical, cultural, and/ or sociological significance of crime fiction, as well as examine how such works influence true crime writing or vice versa.

Deadline for proposal/abstract: **November 1, 2020**

To find out more see the *website* <https://call-for-papers.sas.upenn.edu/cfp/2020/08/11/cfp-for-essays-for-edited-collection-crossroads-of-crime-writing-historical>

**iii. Pólemos: Journal of Law, Literature and Culture, thematised 'JurisApocalypse Now!'**

The aim of Pólemos is to call attention to, promote and provide a forum for developments in global scholarship dealing with the rich array of topics within the many cultures of law and the laws of culture – aesthetic, textual, semiotic - and to act as a sounding board for innovative critical ideas and new interpretive perspectives, connecting the diversity of scholars working around the world in these exciting and trailblazing fields.

General submissions that do not address the theme 'JurisApocalypse Now!' are also welcome for the research section.

Deadline for abstract: **October 30, 2020**

Submissions to: [polemos@scu.edu.au](mailto:polemos@scu.edu.au)

**iv. The Age of Human Rights Journal**

The Age of Human Rights Journal is a scientific journal of international relevance, published in English, peer-reviewed and open-access, containing papers concerning Human Rights from different approaches. The Journal has been included in SCOPUS and in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (Web of Science).

The call for papers is for the issue that will be published in June 2021

Deadline for submission: **February 1, 2021**

Preferably, manuscripts should be directly uploaded to the journal platform, but they can also be sent to [tahrj@ujaen.es](mailto:tahrj@ujaen.es).

**v. Doctoral Forum in Law & Humanities, University of Lucerne, 10 & 11 December 2020, Crossing Frontiers: The Law From Within and Without**

The Institute for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies (Iucernaiuris) invites submissions for the third meeting of the Doctoral Forum in Law & Humanities. The forum is an interdisciplinary platform for PhD students and early career researchers working within and between law and the humanities. Its aim is to bring together a diverse group of young scholars for open discussion of current projects, urgent legal-political concerns, and wider theoretical and methodological issues raised by law and legal theory.

Possible topics might include (but are certainly not limited to): Artistic Representations and Iconography of Law and Justice; Narrative Negotiations of Law; Law and the Imagination; Metaphors in Law; Media Law as Technology Law; Diversity and Plurality in Law; Rights, Justice and Vulnerable/Disadvantaged Groups.

Deadline for proposal: **October 16, 2020**

To find out more see the pamphlet

<https://ivronlineblog.files.wordpress.com/2020/09/luzerndflh2020.pdf>.

**vi. The Global Summit of the International Forum on the Future of Constitutionalism, 12 to 16 January, 2021**

The Global Summit offers students and scholars the opportunity to showcase their ideas in all areas of constitutionalism, to highlight their own publications and those of their friends and colleagues, to engage in rewarding intellectual exchange, and to enjoy occasions for informal interaction. This Call for Papers is available in six different languages, one of which is Portuguese. Deadline for proposal: October 1, 2020.

To find out more see the website: <https://www.richardalbert.com/2021globalsummit.html>

**vii. Conferência Internacional "Comunidades e Redes para a Inovação Territorial", 23 to 25 November, 2020**

The International Conference "Communities and Networks for Territorial Innovation" organized by the Integrated Program "CeNTER" and by the Department of Social Sciences, Policies and Territory of the Aveiro University will be held digitally and in open access. Abstracts are welcome in the following areas: territorial-based innovation models; territorial cohesion and public policies; competitiveness strategies and policies; territorial innovating with Networks and Communities; knowledge management and business innovation; digital mediation in the context of territory-based innovation; assessing the impact of the use of digital technologies in promoting territorial-based innovation; (in)sustainability of territories; well-being, quality of life and human capital; tourism in low density territories; cities and local democracy; university, territory and innovation strategies.

Deadline for proposal: September 21, 2020

To find out more see the website: <https://www.ua.pt/pt/confcenter>



## III. Miscellanea

### i. Social and Human Sciences Award

This award distinguishes the work carried out by master's and doctoral students who contribute to the production of scientific knowledge about disability and inclusion through their research. It also intends to recognize works that promote the study of the impact of social, cultural, behavioral and physical barriers on the inclusion and participation of People with Disabilities, as well as other studies that promote the rights enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities.

Prize amount: EUR 5,000

Deadline for submission: **October 2, 2020.**

To find out more see the website: <http://www.inr.pt/ciencias-sociais-humanas>.

### ii. *Res Publica* 2020 Prize

After a successful 1st edition in 2019 about the subject "European project's future", the Foundation Res Publica carries out this award again, framed in the axis of reflection and promotion of the democratic, and whose subject is "The Demographic Challenge".

In development of the generic subject, the papers can deal with one of the following subthemes:

- a) The demographic problem: impacts and challenges;
- b) The role of public policies to promote birth;
- c) Policies for gender equality, work organization and reconciliation between private and professional life in the context of the demographic challenge;
- d) The importance of international migration in the context of the demographic challenge.

Deadline for submission of essays: **October 5, 2020**

To find out more see the website: <https://fundacaorespublica.pt/atividades/premio-res-publica/>.

### iii. The Bubble: Metaphors we survive By

Metaphors are indispensable tools for making sense of reality or to obfuscate it. In times of crisis they perform a crucial role in translating and interpreting a rapidly changing world. This series of lectures is organized by The Institute of Postcolonial Studies and will be held until Friday, 6 November.

To find out more about registration see the website: <https://ipcs.org.au/the-bubble-metaphors-we-survive-by-2/>.