

# NEWSLETTER

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Whether it is a question of invoking the semiotic system of gesture numbers (and thus illuminating the limit-situation constituted by the totality of fingers and toes...), whether it is a question of giving in to the esoteric seductions of numerology or the many and varied numerologies ( and thus celebrating the perfect conjugation of “two” and “zero”), the world of meanings associated with the number 20 invariably includes the signifiers “harmony”, “perfection”, “fullness”, “conclusion”, “restart”, “reinvention”. This is a good reason to avoid other content... and allow this editorial to celebrate the 20th issue of the newsletter without further ado! The conclusion of a cycle is just around the corner... and we (all of us) need the internal force (and realistic optimism) that allows us to think and make a new beginning: a new beginning perhaps without discontinuities and ruptures... but even so, a new beginning!

*J M Aroso Linhares*

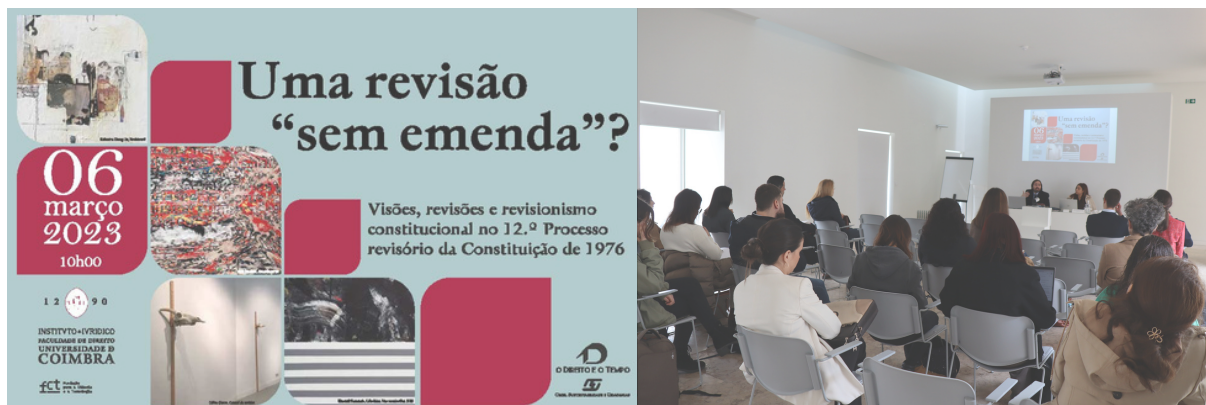
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# I. Latest UCILeR events



## Conference A revision "without amendment"? Visions, revisions and constitutional revisionism in the 12th Revision Process of the 1976 Constitution

This event, which was held on March 6 at the Trinity College, addressed the 12th Revision Process of the 1976 Constitution. Among the topics discussed were international integration, the political system, economics and finance, justice, and rights, among others.



## III Luso-Spanish meeting of doctoral students of procedural law

The II Luso-Spanish Meeting of Doctoral Students, organized in partnership with the University of Salamanca, was held on March 7 and 8, 2023, at the Trinity College. At this meeting, PhD students had the opportunity to present their dissertation projects and received critical evaluations and suggestions from experienced researchers.



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**PENAL REFORM INTERNATIONAL**

**HUNGARIAN HELSINKI COMMITTEE**

Promoting non-discriminatory alternatives to imprisonment across Europe  
**Webinar 15 março 2023**

**Penas e medidas não privativas da liberdade**  
**boas práticas entre equipas de reinserção social e equipas comunitárias de saúde mental**

**10h00**  
 APRESENTAÇÃO DO PROJETO PILOTO  
 MARIA JOÃO ARIUNES — Instituto Jurídico FDUC  
 MIGUEL XAVIER — Comissão Nacional das Práticas de Saúde Mental  
 ANA CRISTINA NEVES — Direção-Geral de Reinserção e Serviços Prisionais

**10h30**  
 APRESENTAÇÃO DO GUIA DE BOAS PRÁTICAS  
 ANA CRISTINA NEVES — Direção-Geral de Reinserção e Serviços Prisionais  
 CONCEIÇÃO PEREIRA — Equipa de Reinserção Social Dão-Lafões  
 HUGO AFRONSO — Equipa Comunitária de Saúde Mental Dão-Lafões

**11h15**  
 AVALIAÇÃO DO PROJETO PILOTO  
 JOÃO CARLOS DIAS — Am-Murray Brown Consultancy

**11h30**  
 DISCUSSÃO

## Webinar Non-custodial sentences and measures - Best practices of social reintegration teams and community mental health teams

In this webinar, held on March 15, good practices between social reintegration teams and community mental health teams were presented, in the framework of the Project Promoting non-discriminatory alternatives to imprisonment across Europe.

The guide on best practices aims to capture the methodology used by social reintegration and community mental health teams in Dão-Lafões and enable its dissemination in other regions of the country when community mental health teams are created. The guide can be viewed [here](#).



## ECI from A to Z – Dissemination event

The dissemination event of the project ECI from A to Z: European Citizens' Initiative: a tool for engagement and active citizenship, funded by the Erasmus+ program, took place at the Trinity College, on 27 and 28 March. This event had the participation of several speakers, partners of the project, and activities promoting European citizenship, in which more than 200 young people from schools in Coimbra participated. Watch the video [here](#).



## Changing Law

In this webinar, held on March 28, 2023 and coordinated by Dr. Susana Aires de Sousa, the proposed European Regulation on Artificial Intelligence was presented and discussed. This event was attended by 110 participants.

## ONLINE COURSE ON MARITIME MEDIATION

Does mediation interest you?  
Are you curious about conflicts at sea and the best ways to solve them?  
Then this online course is for you!

The course is organized in four modules and a total of 25 hours.  
You can do the course at your own pace, over a maximum period of two months.  
All those that complete the course will receive a certificate.  
The course is free but requires you to register for it.

Register until the 7<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. Email us at [medimare@uc.pt](mailto:medimare@uc.pt) with your name, contacts and a short CV.

The course runs from the 13<sup>th</sup> of March to the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2023.



## Online course on Maritime Mediation

The MediMARE Project's Online Course on Mediation in Maritime Affairs is now ongoing. The course ends on May 13, 2023.

The course is organized into four modules totalling 25 hours: I – Mediation: Principles and Limits; II - Mediation in Practice; III - Maritime Disputes as a Field for Mediation; IV - Specificities of Maritime Mediation

Learn more about MediMARE [here](#).





## Building Constraints in the Integrated Rural Fire Management System

On April 14, the webinar "Building Constraints in the Integrated Rural Fire Management System", was held via zoom, within the project INTERFACESEGURA - Safety and Fire Resilience of Urban-Forest Interface Areas, in which more than 400 people participated.

The presentations, answers to questions and the recording of the event can be found [here](#).



## I International Meeting - Participatory Workshop: Innovative experiences in environmental participation

The April 17-18 event featured debates on citizen participation, including youth participation in public actions for the climate (demonstrations, strikes, or other initiatives)

The meeting was co-organized by the Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil. Watch the videos produced as part of the event, about student climate activism: [Mudar o Rumo da História](#) (Portugal) and [Embaixadores Ambientais](#) (Brazil).

## II. Latest UCILeR publications



**Delimitation of the material scope of application of Regulation EU 2016/1103 and Regulation EU 650/2012. Qualification of the articles 1700.º/1, c) and 1707.º-A, 2103.º-A and 1719.º of the Portuguese Civil Code**

Author: Carolina Gouveia Costa

ISBN: 978-989-9075-31-3

Year: 2022

**Abstract:** The creation of European unification instruments of the conflict of law rules plays a key role in solving many problems that International Private Law still aims to solve. Nevertheless, as a result of the diversity of material solutions in the legal systems of the different States and the inherent connection between some legal subjects that, at a conflictual level had an autonomous and different approach, delimitation problems of the material scope of application of the Regulations arise, as well as doubts about the qualification of certain institutes in the material law of the States, which, due to their ambiguous nature, can lead to uncertainty for the parties involved in international relationships. The problems we set out to solve in this study regard three specific articles of the Portuguese Civil Code and their corresponding qualification in Regulation EU 650/2012 of 4 July 2012, applicable to Succession, or in Regulation EU 2016/1103 of 24 June 2016, relating to Matrimonial Property Regimes. That being said, we are going to begin this dissertation with a reflection on the problem of qualification in International Private Law, not only with some of the solutions that have been globally presented by the doctrine and over time, but also its specific features in the context of the unified International Private Law, with special regard to the Portuguese method of qualification. We will then proceed to analyse the European regulations mentioned above, their corresponding scopes of application and the lack of coordination between them in determining the applicable law. Lastly, we will qualify the institutes of the articles 1700.º/1/c) and 1707.º-A, 2103.º-A and 1719.º, all norms of the Portuguese Civil Code, bringing forward arguments for a succession and matrimonial qualification, in order to achieve a solution.





## Corporate due diligence and corporate responsibility

Coordinators: Jorge M. Coutinho de Abreu, Alexandre de Soveral Martins, Rui Pereira Dias

ISBN: 978-989-9075-32-0

Year: 2022

This publication gathers the papers presented at the Colloquium "Corporate Diligence Duty and Corporate Responsibility", held in Coimbra on December 10, 2021, under the scope of the University of Coimbra Institute for Legal Research. Read the e-book [here](#).



## Business restructuring and debt discharge in Portugal and Spain

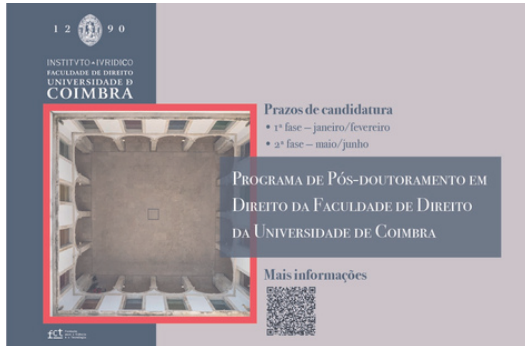
Coordinators: Alexandre de Soveral Martins, Carlos Gómez Asensio

ISBN: 978-989-9075-45-0

Year: 2023

This publication is the result of the Luso-Spanish Congress on the transposition of Directive 2019/1023, which was held on 3 June 2022, in the Chapel of the Trinity College. This work brings together papers by some of the most well-known and widely read Iberian specialists in Business Restructuring and Insolvency Law, who discussed each country's solutions to adapt their respective legal system to the new European standards, and also the papers of young researchers from Portugal and Spain, who submitted their work in the Call for Papers. This initiative resulted from close cooperation between the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra and the Departament de Dret Mercantil of the Universitat de València. Read the e-book [here](#).

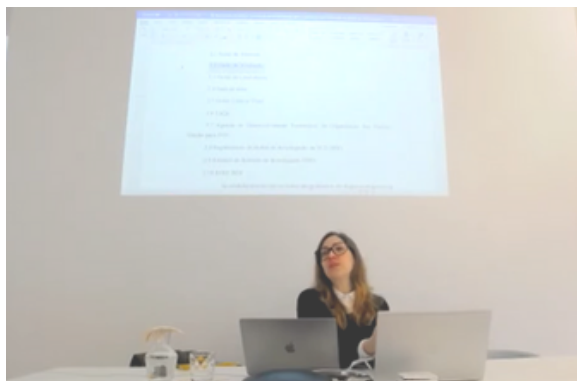
# I. Internal life of the UCILeR



## Advanced Training: Applications open for post-doctoral programme in law

Applications are open for the second phase, until June 30, 2023.

The Post-Doctoral Programme, coordinated by Doctor Maria João Antunes, is a specialized continuing education programme for doctors who will be awarded the title of Post-Doctor of the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra. Learn more about the branches and specialities, the regulations, and the application form [here](#).



## Research and Science Talks: Preparing to apply for the FCT PhD Studentships

This training session, held on March 9 at the Trinity College, aimed to inform interested parties about what is needed to prepare for the FCT PhD grant application and was aimed at students who wished to have the UCILeR as their host institution.





## Closing of the Project “World Cities Day - Right to Citizenship and Culture” and award ceremony

On March 31, in the Chapel of the Trinity College, the closing session of the Project "World Cities Day - Right to Citizenship and Culture" was held, with the awarding of prizes to participants in the contest "Right to my City".

In the category "Plastic Arts", the first prize was awarded to the work "Our Ideal City", from CATL Martins de Freitas. "Ponte de Santa Clara", by Profitecla Professional School, came in second place. In the Multimedia category awards were given, with equal merit, to the works "Intercultural City" and "Ideal City", both made by students of the Basic and Secondary School Quinta das Flores. "A Maquete Ponte Pedro e Inês", from Profitecla Professional School, was the choice of the exhibition visitors.

Watch the [video](#) with the activities developed by the project, over six months, with young people from Stage 3 (ages 12 to 15) from several schools in Coimbra.



## Research and Science Talks: Dissemination of Science

The third session of Research and Science Talks, promoted by the UCILeR, held on April 27, at the Trinity College, was attended by 15 PhD students. In this session, we discussed the publication and dissemination of research results, aiming to raise awareness of the importance of publishing the results of scientific research in indexed journals, with impact factors and in open access, with a view to the internationalization of researchers and the UCILeR.



## Funding applications

The March-April bimester was busy in project applications at the UCILeR. As coordinators, the UCILeR submitted three applications to Cluster 2 of Horizon Europe: ARMADILLO - PrAgmatic AppRoaches and Methodologies for preventing, detecting and repressing politicAl corruption and unDue InfLuences while strengthening the European vaLues and societal cOhesion, led by Doctor Maria João Antunes; EU-CIEMBLy: Creating an Inclusive European Citizens' Assembly, led by Doctor Dulce Lopes; and BILBBO - BRIDGING, BLENDING AND BONDING MIGRATION RESEARCH AND POLICY, led by Doctor Joana Ricarte.

ARMADILLO is competing in the call "New approaches for combating corruption and other undue influences on political decision-making" for funding of 6 million euros, in a consortium that can count on the participation of 16 partners. EU-CIEMBLy is part of the topic "Intersectionality and equality in deliberative and participatory democratic spaces" with a budget of 3 million euros and a consortium of 10 international partners. BILLBBO foresees a budget of 3.6 Million Euros divided among 12 partners in the call "Bridging the migration research to policy gap". Also as coordinators, the application "SAFE-J: Strengthening Anti-SLAPP Framework and Education for Judiciary Personnel", led by Doctor Enio Viterbo, with German and Bulgarian partners, was submitted on April 19 in the scope of the JUST program - Call for proposals for action grants to support transnational projects on judicial training covering civil law, criminal law or fundamental rights.

As a partner, the UCILeR participated in the submission of two projects to Horizon Europe and two Erasmus +. Under Horizon Europe, Doctor Alexandre Dias Pereira leads the UCILeR team participating in "Challenges and Innovative Changes in Research Ethics Reviews (CHANGER)" and Doctor Paula Vítor coordinates the UCILeR team on "Silver Homes: person-centred silver ubiquitous homes to prevent adverse events among the older population". In Erasmus + projects, Doctor Alexandra Aragão represents UCILeR in the application "Environmental Literacy in Higher Education Context for preventing radicalization in climate activism", while Doctor André Dias Pereira is part of the application "Bridging the Gap: A Research Ethics Training and Education Initiative".



## II. UCILeR Scheduled Events



**26 MAY 2023**

### **Digitalization of the World and its Impact on Private Law**

This event will be held on May 26 at the Trinity College. More information [here](#).



**1 & 2 JUNE 2023**

### **Women in Fintech Conference**

Within the [Cost Action Fintech and Artificial Intelligence in Finance - FinAI](#), the Women in Fintech Conference will be held on June 1st and 2nd at the Trinity College. Susana Aires de Sousa will present a paper on AI and financial crimes: "the good, the bad and the ugly". More information [here](#).



**2 JUNE 2023**

### **Collective Construction of Sustainability**

The Collective Construction of Sustainability will be held from 9 a.m. on June 2nd in Room 1.01 at Trinity College.

More information and registration [here](#).



**2 JUNE 2023**

### **Shark Tank Academy**

The Shark Tank Academy will be held in the afternoon, where each researcher will have 10 minutes to give a presentation that must relate to 2 or 3 Sustainable Development Goals. More information and registration [here](#).



**2 JUNE 2023**

## **Doctoral Students Network**

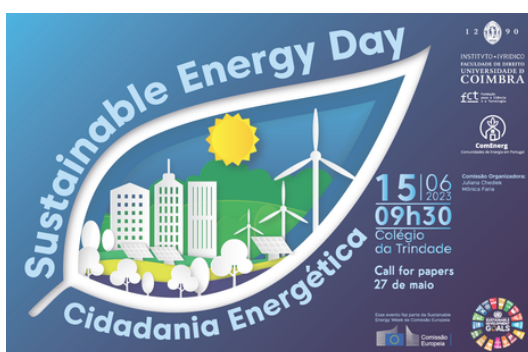
The Doctoral Students Network is an event organized by PhD students for PhD students. It is an activity for scientific sharing among peers, where one can present ongoing research, methodological practices and preliminary results of doctoral research so that this can be debated and enriched, promoting a critical view of research, collaboration and scientific excellence. Researchers with an ongoing doctoral study are invited to present papers that will be debated and commented on by other participants, without the presence of senior researchers, to stimulate collaboration and sharing of experiences, in an environment of scientific stimulation. More information [here](#).



**6, 13, 20 & 27 JUNE 2023**

## **II Cycle of Webinars: Energy Communities and Local Government**

More information [here](#).



**15 JUNE 2023**

## **Sustainable Energy Day: Citizenship and Energy**

This event will be held at Trinity College on June 15, 2023 and it includes a call for papers.

More information and registration [here](#).



**28 JUNE 2023**

## Meeting with... Jonathan Herring

Professor Jonathan Herring is the author of important works dealing with this topic, namely "Caring and the Law" (2013), "Vulnerable Adults and the Law" (2016), "Vulnerability, Childhood and the Law" (2018), as well as several journal articles on the topic of vulnerability. Registration [here](#).



**30 JUNE & 1 JULY 2023**

## MediMARE Final Symposium

This event will be held, in hybrid format, at the University of Coimbra, on June 30th and July 1st 2023 and includes a [call for papers](#).





### III. UCILeR Challenges



#### European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage – Horizon Europe

Applications deadline: September, 21

The first calls for proposals for the creation of the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage are already underway (2023 Topics [here](#) and [here](#)) and close on September 21, 2023.

- ➔ HORIZON-IA HORIZON Innovation Actions: [A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage - 2023 \(HORIZON-CL2-2023-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01\)](#).
- ➔ HORIZON-RIA HORIZON Research and Innovation Actions: [A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage - 2023 \(HORIZON-CL2-2023-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01\)](#).

These calls are aimed at entities working in the areas of Cultural Heritage and entities linked to the areas of development of cloud platforms and their architecture, AI, intellectual property rights and their security, data spaces, tools and data for digitization and visualization of cultural heritage objects. These entities may be universities, research centres, museums, other cultural institutions, companies, etc.

# UCILeR projects

The work plan of the UCILeR is based on reflection on legal solutions to contemporary issues. As a research unit, UCILeR establishes a bridge between the UC's legal academic community and society through its various research projects. Each edition of the UCILeR Newsletter will feature UCILeR projects. Complete and detailed information on all UCILeR projects can be found [here](#).



## I- MEDIMARE

Coordinator at the IJ/FDUC: Dr. Dulce Lopes

Purpose: Maritime dispute resolution. The project aims to research the perception of the importance of mediation for consensual conflict resolution in maritime disputes, and, with these inputs, produce several results



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## II. RESPONSIBLE LEGAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

Coordinator at the IJ/FDUC: Dr. Alexandra Aragão

Purpose: The foremost purpose of the current project on RLRI is to develop guidelines for future legal research and legal innovation that correspond to the European vision on ethics, societal engagement, gender equality, open access and science education. The focus of the project is the process dimension. The purpose is to develop methodological guidelines for developing legal research and legal innovation that proves to be “responsible”, reflecting diversity & inclusiveness, anticipation & reflexivity, openness & transparency, and responsiveness & adaptation. Additionally, the purpose is also to gather materials on concepts, good practices and examples of display state of the art legal research or ground-breaking legal innovation on burning or fracturing legal issues and ethical dilemmas.