

**DINÂMIA'CET – Iscte**  
**ACTION PLAN**  
**2024**

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### **Most Frequently Used Abbreviations:**

**CT** | Cities and Territories (one of the three DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte Research Groups)

**DC** | DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte

**FCT** | Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia

**GEC** | Governance, Economy and Citizenry (one of the three DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte Research Groups)

**IL** | Innovation and Labour (one of the three DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte Research Groups)

**ITL** | Integrating thematic line

**RG** | Research group

**TL** | Thematic line

## 1. INTRODUCTION: CHALLENGES FOR 2024

DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte (DC) intends to continue delving into specific themes related to socioeconomic and territorial change and aims to advance the knowledge and understanding of contemporary society in the context of new and complex challenges. It benefits from the accumulated knowledge and skills on consolidated subjects and inter and transdisciplinary approaches and tries to integrate new dimensions inside those subjects. Previous experience revealed the ability of DC researchers to accommodate unexpected events (e.g. pandemic) and to immediately implement research to timely explore them.

DC prioritises the support to researchers through strategies that encourage researchers and help them in the design of the research proposals and support for grant application, especially the youngest and at earlier stages of careers. This strategy includes cooperation with faculty services and training opportunities, notably the learning with experienced researchers from different research unit at Iscte. It comprises also specialized consultancy to aid in the preparation of applications for international competitions.

Herein the strengthening of the links between research and teaching is crucial to open new lines of research and renew teams, while at some time renewing the content of the formations with cutting-edge results from research. DC pretends to deepen the attractiveness of post-graduate students for the development of master and PhD theses inside research projects and existent observatories.

Indeed, the 2024 Plan will reinforce the support to Youth Employment Observatory and LXHABIDATA, which revealed a major channel to conduct specialized research and deepen DC knowledge on cross-cutting subjects. These structures created space for engagement with various stakeholders and could be instrumental in generating collaborative knowledge with direct societal relevance.

For this reason, the 2024 Plan includes communication strategies that attempt to connect scientific research with a wider audience and policy makers. In other words, it attempts to reach people from different context, create impact in the academy and society, and foster collaboration in DC fields of expertise.

Additionally, DC will maintain regular activities that help creating synergies among its members (Annual Workshop); support publications not only in high-quality journals, but also single author or collective books on major subjects; work on the Unit journals (*Cidades, Comunidades e Territórios*) and reinforce the *Passagens* journal.

## 2. Strategic Goals for 2024

DC activity plan for 2024 aims to advance the knowledge and understanding of the transformations of contemporary society in a context of climate change and digital transition. Inter and transdisciplinary methodologies will be founded on descriptive, normative and prospective approaches, considering the consequences of those transitions.

For 2024, the DC is strategically placed to benefit from its accumulated knowledge and skills to produce fundamental and applied research, with the aim of creating economic opportunities, reducing social inequality, promoting territorial cohesion and improving sustainable livelihoods.

In line with the strategic goals set out by each of the research groups (RGs), the DC seeks to substantially improve knowledge on socioeconomic and territorial change, paying particular attention to the following contemporary themes:

- i. Socioeconomic and ecological impacts of climate change and digital transitions.
- ii. Regulation and governance in a situation of polycrises.
- iii. Job quality, labour market solidarity and employment policies in times of spreading inequalities.
- iv. Historical and post-colonial perspectives for decoding the social production of space.
- v. Housing dynamics and their socioeconomic and urban effects.
- vi. Cultural and creative ecosystems as manifestations of hybrid and marginal structures.

Table 1 presents, in a transversal and summarized way, the activities referring to the main goals to accomplish through the three levels of scientific and operational objectives that guide DC Strategic Plan. Most of them correspond to actions already underway and which require continuity. Others, due to the punctual or occasional circumstances in which they arise, follow a scheduled planning.

**Table 1. DC Activities for 2024 under cross-level strategic goals**

Cross-level Goals	Activities	Schedule
Mechanisms to boost research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Setting conditions and regulations for incentive support mechanisms for research (e.g., internationalization of researchers; incentive to publish in international journals, contributing to proofreading processes; internationalization through international research projects)</li> <li>▶ Provide specialized support in identifying international funding and assist researchers in the application processes for highly competitive calls</li> <li>▶ Development of research networks and improvement of the Unit's role as a platform for hosting visitors and supporting internationalization initiatives</li> <li>▶ Enhancement of DC attractiveness to young high-potential researchers</li> <li>▶ Increase in research projects contracts, exploring the diversification of research funding opportunities (e.g., European funding programmes, applied projects for public and private institutions)</li> </ul>	Ongoing
Mechanisms for cross-cutting work consolidation and collaborative practices among researchers and between research groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Organization and realization of the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the DC Workshop for improving internal communication and community building and strengthen the unit's culture</li> <li>▶ Organization and realization of regular meetings between researchers from the different research groups and thematic lines to reflect and discuss on strategic themes and ongoing research</li> <li>▶ Fostering new discussions and internal networking activities under the Integrative Thematic Lines of DC</li> <li>▶ Fostering the involvement of researchers in the thematic lines of the Sociodigital Lab for Public Policies of Iscte</li> </ul>	September 2024  Ongoing
Mechanisms to strengthen the relation between research and advanced training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Promoting some support for PhD students research activities, such as the participation in scientific events (e.g., conferences, seminars, exhibitions showing work developed by students), and international publications</li> <li>▶ Stimulate a closer relation between PhD programmes and DC activities among young researchers</li> <li>▶ Organization of seminar cycles in several PhD and Master programmes and presentation of theses' results in unit's seminars</li> <li>▶ Applying for funding initiatives targeted at young researchers (e.g., summer schools, winter schools)</li> </ul>	Ongoing  Ongoing  1 <sup>st</sup> semester 2024
Mechanisms to promote new ways of collecting, producing and disseminating scientific data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Launch of the DC science communication podcast <i>Diário de um Investigador</i></li> <li>▶ Launch of a special podcast episode celebrating the 50th anniversary of 25 April</li> <li>▶ Launch of a new website and other communication materials updates'</li> </ul>	March 2024  April 2024  1 <sup>st</sup> semester 2024



Mechanisms for Institutional requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Scientific and financial reports to Iscte central services</li><li>▶ Scientific and financial reports to FCT</li><li>▶ Sociodigital Lab for Public Policies activities</li></ul>	Annual basis  Ongoing
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### 3. Main Goals for 2024 by Research Group

#### 3.1. INNOVATION AND LABOUR (IL)

**Coordinator:** Helena Lopes

**Keywords:** science and technological innovation; sustainable transition; digital transition; skills; quality in work and employment; youth employment.

##### Thematic Lines

##### 1. Innovation

**Keywords:** technological innovation; climate and ecological transition; energy; technologies for sustainability; research & innovation policies; decarbonization of economic activities.

##### 2. Labour

**Keywords:** labour market and segmentation; youth employment; higher education and training; quality of work and employment; digitalization and its regulation; ecological transition and employment.

The aims of this RG are to study innovation and labour and their interconnections, considering that the current growth regime is undermining social cohesion and the responsible use of resources. The main objective of the Innovation team is to further the understanding of how innovation may reconcile wealth creation and the transition to a sustainable regime. The Labour team focusses on the recent trends of the labour market, notably the rise of precariousness and wage and income inequality, which have led policy makers to implement policies that try to lessen the fragmentation, segmentation and polarization processes that presently mark the world of work. Polarization phenomena have severe effects on social and political cohesion, and the RG researchers assume that what happens in the world of work powerfully influences social cohesion and political stability.

The awareness that the inescapable digital and ecological transitions will have huge impacts on employment and work is the main motivator of the plan for 2024. Assuming that, researchers have a duty and responsibility to promote the social, economic and civilisational changes required by the ecological and social crises, the RG aims to help build a future that respects planetary limits.

The RG's primary objective is to promote the integration of the work of Innovation and Labour researchers. The aim is to get the former to consider the

consequences of the innovations they propose on work, and to get the latter to consider the effects of the digital and ecological transition on work and social cohesion.

The aim is also to promote the integration with the other research groups, namely with Cities and Territories for the problem of the housing of young people, and with the law scholars of Governance, Economy and Citizenry for the regulation of the labour market and for issues related to the use of digital innovation (including Artificial Intelligence and algorithmic management) in the world of work.

For 2024, the pursuit of these aims translates into three types of activities:

- Organization of two internal seminars to begin building a common knowledge base of the ecological problems to be tackled; the seminars will be organized by IL but will be open to the members of the other two Research Groups.
- Organization of a seminar with all D'C members to discuss the changes that the ecological transition can and should have on work and innovation (IL), urban planning and housing (CT), government and public policies (GEC), and to identify joint research projects between the Research Groups.
- In all three seminars, proposals for the future will be discussed. As there is so much uncertainty about the future, debating solutions from different perspectives is essential; the diversity and multidisciplinary nature of D'C puts the Centre in a privileged position.

## **IL Expected Achievements for 2024**

### **New projects to start in 2024**

1. CERERE - Cereals resiliency revolution for agile supply chain management in the Mediterranean, Università della Calabria (Unical), D'C: Florinda Matos, DC Team: Elisabete Tomaz. (LTI).

### **Collective Projects (ongoing)**

1. CATALYST - European VET Excellence Centre for Leading Sustainable Systems and Business Transformation, IECE, Coord. DC: Florinda Matos, DC Team: Fátima Suleman. (LTI);
2. EDITS III - Energy Demand changes Induced by Technological and Social innovations – EDITS project network, RITE, DC Team: Nuno Bento (LTI);

3. IEFP - Cooperation Project between the Youth Employment Observatory and the Portuguese Public Employment Services, DC Iscte, Coord. Paulo Marques (LT2);
4. Sus2Trans - Transições Transformativas Sustentáveis - Conciliar a Aceleração das Transições para Baixo Carbono com Transformações do Sistema, DC, Coord. Nuno Bento (LT1);
5. SOLID-JOB - Rebuilding solidarity in an age of job dualisation, DC, Coord. Paulo Marques (PI) and Helena Lopes (Co-PI) (LT2);
6. Youth Employment Observatory, DC, Coord. Paulo Marques and Fátima Suleman (LT2).

### Organization of scientific events (planned)

Local	Name	Type	Researcher
Iscte	8ª Edição do Workshop Interno DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte	Internal Workshop	All IL
Iscte	Apresentação do CoVE - Centro de Excelência Profissional - Fábrica de Competências do Futuro	Workshop	Florinda Matos
Iscte	Political Economy of the Firm: Authority, Governance and Economic Democracy	Book Presentation	Helena Lopes
Iscte	"Inflation - A Guide for Losers and Users"   Mark Blyth	Open Lecture	Paulo Marques
ISEG	Encontro Anual de Economia Política	Conference	Paulo Marques
Iscte	"O Impacto da Inteligência Artificial nas Relações Laborais"   Jesús Barceló Fernandez and Jordi Garcia Viña	Open Lecture	Fátima Suleman
TBC	From employability to employment: Mass higher education and the changing labour market for graduates	Book Launch	Fátima Suleman and Pedro Videira

## **3.2. CITIES AND TERRITORIES (CT)**

**Coordinator:** Pedro Costa

**Keywords:** urban/territorial change; territorial governance and planning; local/regional development policies; sustainable development processes.

### **Thematic Lines**

#### **1. Cultural dynamics and creativity in contemporary territories**

**Keywords:** territorially embedded creative/cultural dynamics; creative districts/ecosystems; artistic intervention; art and public space; cultural participation; cultural/creative tourism.

#### **2. Representation, discourse and imaginaries of urban space**

**Keywords:** representation and discourse in architecture; architecture/urbanism history; architectural/urbanism theory; architectural practice and teaching; heritage.

#### **3. Historical and postcolonial perspectives on architectural culture**

**Keywords:** architectural culture and history; housing; ways of living; colonial/post-colonial perspectives; violence and control through housing; middle class mass housing.

#### **4. Housing, ways of living and habitat**

**Keywords:** contemporary housing systems; socio-economic recompositions; metropolitan dynamics of change; care; precarious housing.

#### **5. Governance systems and social movements**

**Keywords:** territorial governance; formal and informal processor spatial planning; participation; citizen's and social movements; territorial and social impacts assessment; local/regional/urban development policies.

#### **6. Spatial planning for sustainability**

**Keywords:** sustainable transitions; urban metabolism; urban morphology; urban food systems; urban-rural links; design for sustainable neighborhood systems; urban habitats; future cities.

CT's research is focused on the territorial dimensions of contemporary socioeconomic, environmental and cultural change, analysing its complex restructuring mechanisms at the light of their spatiality, their territorial embeddedness and their spatial-morphological dimensions, and framing them in the scope of multidimensional sustainable development processes.

For 2024 the group will continue deepening discussions and research on critical urban and territorial issues in Portugal and beyond, facilitating the connection between academics, practitioners, policymakers and local communities. Major research lines proceed themes on which there is accumulated knowledge in the group:

- (1) Cultural dynamics and creativity in contemporary territories;
- (2) Representation, discourse and imaginaries of urban space;
- (3) Historical and postcolonial perspectives on architectural culture;
- (4) Housing, ways of living and habitat;
- (5) Governance systems and social movements;
- (6) Spatial planning for sustainability.

The focus is on how cities and territories deal, in their multiple dimensions, with the challenges that the various transitions (digital, green, socio-demographic) bring them. This includes exploring new trends and emerging challenges in urban development, planning and policy, as well as the search for innovative and sustainable solutions to promote the growth of Portuguese cities and limit the disruptive effect of existing dynamics.

Through collective and individual projects, inter, multi and transdisciplinary research is committed to construct socially useful knowledge. The use of action-research, participatory methodologies, and various forms of co-creation of knowledge are characteristics of this group. Now the team embraces the challenge of fostering a more common research agenda, strongly "problem-oriented", sharing mindsets, resources, and knowledge from various disciplinary areas, and delivering "locally territorialized" applied research with greater international reach.

## **CT Expected Achievements for 2024**

### **New projects to start:**

1. ERC Advanced Grant -ArchLabour - Architecture, Colonialism and Labour. The role and legacy of mass labour in the design, planning and construction of Public Works in former African territories under Portuguese colonial rule, Coord. Ana Vaz Milheiro;
2. Habitar a revolução: Perspetivas sobre transformações sociais e produções espaciais a partir das casas ocupadas do bairro das Amendoeiras, em Lisboa. Coord: Maria Assunção Gato and Ana Brandão;

3. HybGen - Young generations trapped in hybrid lifestyles: Challenges in ways of living and working towards the urban green care in Lisbon and Oslo, Coord. Maria Assunção Gato; DC team: Elisabete Tomaz;
4. SOLVE-H - Mapping social value of participation in collaborative housing: From a knowledge-based to evidence-based perspective, Coord. Ritika Batra;
5. Caracterização Socioeconómica e de condições de habitabilidade dos agregados residentes no Bairro da Liberdade, Coord. Alexandra Paio;
6. Estudo documental histórico sobre o conjunto habitacional Portugal Novo, Lisboa, Coord. Ricardo Agarez;
7. Formação - Rede de Autarquias para a Igualdade, Coord. Joana Pestana Lages;
8. Prestação de serviços de Monitorização e Avaliação do projeto JAM! Jovens + Artes = Mudança!, Coord. Pedro Costa.

### **Collective Projects (ongoing)**

1. ARCHNeed Arquitetura de Necessidade: Equipamento Comunitário em Portugal 1945-1985 (U. Évora), Coord. Ricardo Agarez;
2. ArchWar - Controle e violência através da habitação e da arquitectura, durante as guerras coloniais. O caso português (Guiné-Bissau, Angola e Moçambique): documentação colonial e análise crítica pós-independência, Coord. Ana Vaz Milheiro. (TL3);
3. Care(4)Housing - A care through design approach to address housing precarity in Portugal, Coord. Joana Pestana Lages; DC team: Alexandra Paio, Ana Carolina Farias, Nuno Dias, Saila-Maria Saaristo, Sebastião Ferreira de Almeida Santos. (TL3);
4. ERC Starting Grant - REArq.IB - Built Environment Knowledge for Resilient, Sustainable Communities: Understanding Everyday Modern Architecture and Urban Design in the Iberian Peninsula (1939-1985), Coord. Ricardo Agarez;
5. ExPORT - Exporting Portugal: Estado Novo cultural diplomacy and rebranding strategies in the United States (1933-1974), Coord. ICS-Universidade de Lisboa, Coord. DC Paula André;
6. LxHabidata - Plataforma de dados de habitação sobre Lisboa, funded by project: "Transições urbanas observar e agir" and individual researchers funds (from 2020 funded also by DC Programmatic Project, LxHabidata), Coord. Sandra Marques Pereira, Teresa Costa Pinto, Madalena Matos, Maria Assunção Gato (TL4);

7. MHHPI - Beyond Modern Housing Heritage of Portuguese Influence, an Optimistic Architecture for Living. Comparative and Multi-Situated Perspectives on Modern Dwellings and Surroundings, Coord. Inês Rodrigues;
8. RE-DWELL. Oferta de habitação sustentável e acessível na Europa, FUNITEC; Coord. Alexandra Paio; DC team: Androniki Pappa, Carolina Peñuela;
9. RESTART - Making visible public space in the extensive city: mapping challenges and opportunities for the urban transition, Coord. Ana Brandão;
10. RETRANSLATES - Reflections, from Europe, on architecture in Spain: urban projects, public facilities, design and heritage interventions (1976-2006), Coord. Universidade Politécnica da Catalunha, Coord. DC: Paulo Tormenta Pinto;
11. SIZA - A monumentalidade crítica de Álvaro Siza, Coord. Paulo Tormenta Pinto (TL2);
12. SIZA\_3CITY Habitação colectiva de Álvaro Siza: projetos, contextos e vivências (Porto-Lisboa-Nova Iorque) Coord. Sandra Marques Pereira; DC team: Maria Assunção Gato, Madalena Matos, Teresa Costa Pinto;
13. STRONGER - Stronger Peripheries: A Southern Coalition | Sp, Coord. ARTEMREDE; Coord DC: Pedro Costa; team DC: Pedro Costa, Margarida Perestrelo, Ricardo V. Lopes, Elisabete Tomaz. (TL1);
14. TransHERITAGE - Transformative Religious Heritage. Bridging Northern and Southern Europe Approaches, Coord. Rolando Volzone, DC team: Rolando Volzone, Carla Duarte;
15. UrbanoScenes. Imaginários pós-coloniais de urbanização em investigação prospectiva. Portugal e Angola Coord. ICS, Coord. DC: Andrea Pavoni; DC team: Andrea Pavoni, Ana Vaz Milheiro, Ana Cravinho, Filipa Fiúza, Teresa Madeira Silva, Ricardo V. Lopes;
16. WomArchStruggle - Women architects in former Portuguese colonial Africa: gender and struggle for professional recognition (1953-1985), Coord. Ana Vaz Milheiro, DC team: Leonor Matos Silva, Beatriz Serrazina, Filipa Fiúza, Francesca Vita, Inês Rodrigues.

**Organization of scientific events (planned)**

Local	Name	Type	Researcher
Iscte	8ª Edição do Workshop Interno DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte	Internal Workshop	All CT
Garagem Sul do Centro Cultural de Belém	"Os Grandes Trabalhos e o Desejo da Cidade de Exceção"	Book Launch	Paulo Tormenta Pinto and Ana Brandão
Iscte	"Uma Situação Temporária", sobre a precariedade habitacional e laboral de jovens adultos em Portugal	Movie Exhibition	Maria Assunção Gato
Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian	"The Architecture of Need: Collective-Use Facilities and Community Service in the Twentieth Century	International Conference	Ricardo Costa Agarez and Ana Mehnert Pascoal
Iscte	"Looking for new ways of producing affordable high-quality housing: a French experiment"   Lola Davidson	Open Lecture	Maria Assunção Gato and Sandra Marques Pereira
CCB	"Habitação Acessível: qualidade, exequibilidade e perenidade"   Manuel Salgado, Lola Davidson and Filipa Serpa   as part of the Parallel Programme of the exhibition "Habitar Lisboa"	Roundtable	Maria Assunção Gato and Sandra Marques Pereira
Iscte	Encontros Criatividade, Cultura e Território	Meeting	Pedro Costa
Iscte	Ciclo de seminários Viva Abril	Seminar Series	Paula André
CIUL	9º Colóquio do Doutoramento em Arquitectura dos Territórios Metropolitanos Contemporâneos	Colloquium	Paula André
Faculdade de Letras da Universidade do Porto	KISMIF International Conference - DIY Cultures, Democracy and Creative Participation	International Conference	Pedro Costa, Ana Oliveira and Paula Guerra
Faculdade de Letras da Universidade do Porto	IV Encontro Internacional Lusófono Todas as Artes   Todos os nomes - Desconstruindo o Antropoceno. Arte, Política e a Natureza	International Conference	Pedro Costa, Ana Oliveira and Paula Guerra
CCB	COST ACTION European Middle-Class Mass Housing (MCMH-EU)	Book Launch	Ana Vaz Milheiro, Mónica Pacheco, and Inês Lima Rodrigues
Iscte	Revista JOELHO Journal of Architectural Culture com o título Digital Culture What's Next?	Journal Issue Launch	Alexandra Paio

Palácio Marqueses da Praia e Monforte	Conhecer para Intervir	Seminar	Joana Pestana Lages
CCB	Colonial and Post-Colonial Landscapes	Roundtable	Ana Vaz Milheiro
Universidade de Évora	X edição do Laboratório Colaborativo: Dinâmicas Urbanas, Património, Artes. Seminário de Investigação, Ensino e Difusão	Conference	Paula André
Centro Cultural de Cascais	6º Encontro Cidades, Arquitectura e Arquivos no contexto Ibero-Americano	Conference	Paula André
Iscte	Século XIX Revisitado	Conference Series	Marta Sequeira
Iscte	HybGen Conference	International Conference	Maria Assunção Gato
Biblioteca Nacional	Lançamento do 4º Número da Revista Passagens: "Observar o emprego jovem - espacialidades e contextos"	Journal Launch	Paulo Tormenta Pinto, Alexandra Saraiva and Patrícia Bento d'Almeida
CCB	Os conflitos de género na arquitetura, no colonialismo e na habitação	Seminar	Ana Vaz Milheiro, Leonor Matos Silva, Francesca Vita, Beatriz Serrazina, and Patrícia Noomahomed
Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian	A Monumentalidade Crítica de Álvaro Siza	Book Launch	Paulo Tormenta Pinto
Iscte	Museu Nacional Machado de Castro - Gonçalo Byrne	Conference	Marta Sequeira

### **3.3. GOVERNANCE, ECONOMY AND CITIZENRY (GEC)**

**Coordinators:** Ana Costa, Maria Eduarda Gonçalves, and Ricardo Barradas

**Keywords:** regulation; markets; human rights; reflexivity; science and society.

#### **Thematic Lines**

##### **1. Human Rights, Markets and Governance Challenges**

**Keywords:** markets; economic and social regulation; human rights; citizenship; social rights.

##### **2. Reflexivity, Communication, and Social Responsibility of Science**

**Keywords:** social reflexivity; social responsibility of science; science communication; science and society.

Governance and the state, encompassing the variety of its forms, modes and scales of action, with a particular attention to the underlying macroeconomic conditions, the evolution of the legal and regulatory framework and the way in which this evolution shapes processes of institutional change, are a crucial strand of GEC's research. States are considered in relation to other actors - companies, trade unions, cooperatives, social movements - in respect to the various ways of regulating collective life. Political and economic discourses and ideas are considered in conjunction with processes of political, legal and economic transformation. Particular attention is paid to the evolution of ideas about models of governance and regulation against the background of Europeanization and (de)globalization.

Against this general purpose, different objectives are meant to be developed.

A first line of research will be related to the thematic of development and of structural transformation in an age of acute climate crisis and increasing polarization of society, against a backdrop of a succession of crises encapsulated in each other. Under scrutiny are industrial policy and its possibilities and limits.

A second line of work relates to digitalization and, in particular, to the evolution of the corresponding legal and regulatory framework with a focus on the European Union, and the emerging regulatory responsibilities of the new "private rulers" in addressing the potential adverse impacts of digital platforms on public health, labor rights, social polarization or the spread of disinformation.

A third line of research endorses the consequences of financialization, highlighting the relationships with household indebtedness and labor relations. The impact of financialization on labor relations has been widely analyzed in the literature, especially regarding the labor demand. However, households' financialization and their indebtedness levels should also play a role in the labor supply, but this topic has been little explored in the literature. We propose to explore this line of research in order to better assess to what extent workers' financialization and indebtedness levels affect labor conditions. Our argument sustains that the most indebted workers widely accept the increase of precariousness and restrain their demands for higher wages and better labor conditions due to the fear of decreasing their income and losing their jobs and the consequent risks of default, which have contributed to the deterioration of labor relations and the corresponding wage stagnation. An application to a research project will be presented on FCT in order to deeply explore these topics.

This FCT project application aims also to study the impact of financialization on human resource policies of Portuguese companies, specifically in the areas of wage levels, wage inequality, and contractual conditions. The overall objective of the project is to study the impact of financial factors and financialization on the Portuguese and Southern European economies in the recent past, with a focus on their effects on firms and households in Portugal. In addition to studying labor conditions and wages, the project examines the overall evolution of Southern European economies, as well as the evolution of house prices and corporate investment in Portugal.

The objective of a fourth line of work related with reflexivity, communication, and social responsibility of science is to further the understanding of the relationship between public decision-making processes and scientific advice, highlighting how expertise and certain public decision making's support devices ended by legitimizing certain forms and practices of valuation. Further, GEC aims to contribute to the analysis of the social impact of the centre's scientific output meant to develop, throughout a process of collective reflection, a reference framework that can ultimately guide concrete impact assessment exercises and the definition of guidelines on practices to be incorporated into the DINÂMIA'CET scientific management. In addition to the organization of internal workshops, this thematic line is planning the development of specific qualitative methodologies to assist the monitorization and evaluation of the collective research conducted by the group, as well as the development of platforms that provide seed funding for experimental projects leading to innovative strategies with societal impact, such as an internal award that provides short-term resources and workspaces for groups preparing projects specifically oriented to strengthen societal ties and/or new educational services promoting community and academic interdisciplinary skills.

## GEC Expected Achievements for 2024

### New collective projects

1. COM-BOOST - Public Value and Communicational Boost of European Funds, Coord. Sérgio Caramelo;
2. INITIATE - Supporting European R&I Through stakeholder collaboration and institutional reform, Coord. Sveučiliste u Zagrebu, Fakultet strojarstva i brodogradnje (UNIZAG FSB), Coord. DC: Florinda Matos;
3. Prestação Serviços para apoio a Estudo sobre a Pobreza na RAM, Coord. Ana Cristina Ferreira.

### Collective projects (ongoing)

1. CAPACITAR4LACTENTE - Evaluation of the Results of the PROVIDA Project - Capacitate and Intervene - Health Promotion in the First Year of Life, DC Iscte, Coord. Isabel Guerra.

### Organization of scientific events (planned)

Local	Name	Type	Researcher
Iscte	8ª Edição do Workshop Interno DINÂMIA'CET-Iscte	Internal Workshop	All GEC
Iscte	Análise do impacto social da investigação feita no D'C	Internal Workshop	Patrícia André, Carolina Henriques
Iscte	Conversas sobre Governação, Economia e Cidadania	Seminar cycle	All GEC
ISEG	7º Encontro Anual de Economia Política - "Trabalho: transformações, representações e organização nos últimos 50 anos"	Winter School	Ana Costa
Iscte	"Inflation - A Guide for Losers and Users"   Mark Blyth	Open Lecture	Ana Costa and Luís Vasconcelos Abreu
ISEG	Encontro Anual de Economia Política	Conference	Ana Costa

Iscte	A democratização do governo das empresas	Seminar	Luís Vasconcelos Abreu and Maria Luísa Teixeira Alves
Iscte	“O Impacto da Inteligência Artificial nas Relações Laborais”   Jesús Barceló Fernandez and Jordi Garcia Viña	Open Lecture	Luís Vasconcelos Abreu and Maria Luísa Teixeira Alves

### **3.4. TRANSVERSAL EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2024**

Although the research carried out at the DC is organized by research groups and thematic lines, there are no strict boundaries between them. Throughout this document, some examples of research products developed in articulation have been mentioned to illustrate this transversality. However, one of the objectives of the unit's Strategic Plan is to reinforce the disciplinary and scientific cross-dialogue through Integrative Thematic Lines (ITL). It is within this scope that some transversal initiatives arise, along with other elements whose scope covers the unit as a whole.

#### **Organization of scientific events and other activities**

- DC Workshop 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (September 2024).
- Launch of the podcast 'Diary of a Researcher' (Spring 2024).
- Participation in activities to promote scientific culture, such as the Science and Technology Week and the European Researchers' Night.
- Launch of the special issue of the journal *Cidades, Comunidades e Territórios*, with a dossier in honor of Vítor Matias Ferreira and the organisation of a roundtable (July 2024).
- II Meeting of Editors of Academic Journals in the Social Sciences and Humanities (October 2024).

#### **Collective projects at institutional level**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sociodigital Lab for Public Policies Conference, Iscte (19th and 20th November).

## 4. YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OBSERVATORY AND LXHABIDATA: MAIN GOALS FOR 2024

### 4.1. YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OBSERVATORY

In line with its mission, the Observatory planned activities for 2024 are:

**IEFP reports:** Two studies within the protocol celebrated between the Observatory and IEFP are calendarized to be presented in 2024. The first one is a second part to the study presented in 2023 and aims to characterize and profile young unemployed people who are registered with the Public Employment Services - “Quem são os jovens desempregados? Diagnóstico e Recomendações”. The second study sets out to collect and analyze young people’s perceptions regarding Public Employment Services.

**Re-launch of the Website:** The new version of the Observatory website includes an English version of every page, a page assigned to listing academic research conducted by the team pertaining to the labour market of young people, and other new features.

#### **Policy Briefs and other reports:**

- Production of policy briefs for the website based on recently published academic articles and ongoing research by the team members of the Observatory;
- Publication of a thematic report on good practices in the context of labour relations.

**Chapters for the book on Young People and the Labour Market in Portugal,** coordinated by Renato Carmo: “Youth labour market and wellbeing after the great recession in Portugal: difficulties and challenges” and “Multiple jobs among young workers in Portugal”, by Fátima Suleman with Ricardo Barradas.

Furthermore, the Observatory intends to continue gaining visibility and bringing the research to public debate. Moreover, the Observatory aims to establish new contacts and partnerships with external entities.

## **4.2. LXHABIDATA**

The objectives for 2024 are:

1. To hire a graduate fellow (6 months, possibly renewable);
2. To apply to the FCT call for projects on affordable housing and housing policies;
3. To maintain and update platform data;
4. To create new indicators (e.g. construction costs, affordable housing implementation, implementation of the 1º Dto Programme);
5. To improve the visualisation of indicators;
6. To finalise the tenant survey report;
7. To finalise the study of tenants;
8. Public presentation of these studies at a conference to be held in the second semester, accompanied by media coverage.