

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2024 – Doctor *Honoris Causa* in Geosciences by the Regional University of Cariri, Crato, Brazil;

2005 - PhD in Geology by the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Vila Real, Portugal.

2000 - MSc. in Geosciences, specialty in Environment and Spatial Planning by the University of Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal.

1993 - Graduated in Biology and Geology by the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Vila Real, Portugal.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Associate Professor with tenure of the Department of Geology of the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, with 32 years of Higher Education teaching experience;

2017-2021 - Dean of the School of Life and Environmental Sciences of the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro;

2006-2011 - Deputy Director of the Department of Geology of the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro;

2011 – Present - Titular member of the Geosciences Research Centre (CGeo) of the University of Coimbra, since 2011 – Research Centre classified as Excellent by the International Panel of Evaluators of the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology;

2016 – Present - Chair Holder of the UNESCO Chair on “Geoparks, Sustainable Regional Development and Healthy Lifestyles”;



2011 – Present - President of the Portuguese National Committee of the International Geosciences Programme (IGCP) Association;

2012-2020 - Voting Member of the International Subcommission on Ordovician System (ISOS-ICS-IUGS);

Corresponding Member for Portugal of the International Subcommission on Ordovician System (ISOS-ICS-IUGS);

Corresponding Member for Portugal of the International Subcommission on Silurian System (ISSS-ICS-IUGS);

Member of the Portuguese Network of UNESCO Chairs (Portuguese National Commission for UNESCO);

Member of the International Association for the Promotion of Geoethics (IAPG);

Member of the European Geosciences Union (EGU);

Member of the Portuguese Paleontological Society;

Member of the Spanish Paleontological Society;

Member of the ProGEO Association;

Academic Member of the Global Network of Magellan Universities (Portugal, Spain, Cape Verde, Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Philippines and United States);

2007 - 2009 - Member of the Portuguese National Committee for the International Year of Planet Earth;

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Supervisor of three Post-Doc, 14 Ph.D. and 11 MSc., concluded with success.

Supervisor of nine ongoing Ph.D. thesis and one Post-Doc Program;

Participation in 37 R&D Projects (11 as responsible);

Participation as member in seven IGCP projects – IGCP-410, IGCP-421, IGCP-503, IGCP-591, IGCP-653, IGCP-731, and IGCP-736;

Chair/Co-organizer of 15 international scientific meetings/capacity building courses;

Author and co-author of 12 books, 50 chapters of books, 116 papers in scientific periodicals with referee, 235 abstracts in conference proceedings, and 18 other publications;



Invited speaker/trainer in 144 Conferences/Courses/webinars in 20 countries (Portugal, Spain, Brazil, France, England, Slovenia, Greece, Czech Republic, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Republic of Korea, Vietnam, Colombia, Kenya, UAE, and Indonesia);

EXPERIENCE IN GEOPARKS

2021 – Present - Member of the Global Geoparks Network Executive Board;

2015-2019 - Member of the Advisory Committee of the European Geoparks Network;

2009 – Present - Member of the Coordination Committee of the European Geoparks Network;

2013-2015 - Member of the working group of UNESCO to establish the International Geosciences and Geoparks Programme, as representative of the Portuguese National Committee for IGCP;

2008 – Present - Scientific Coordinator of the Arouca UNESCO Global Geopark (membership in 2009 and “green card” in 2013, 2017, and 2021);

Senior Member of the UNESCO Global Geoparks roster of evaluators;

Member of the EGN Fossils Working Group;

Member of the GGN Education Working Group;

Member of the GGN Climate Change Working Group;

Member of the GGN Geoconservation Working Group;

Member of the GGN Sustainable Development Goals Working Group;

Member of the GGN Therapeutic Landscapes Working Group;

Member of the Scientific Councils of the Arouca UGGp (President), Estrela UGGp and Açores UGGp (Portugal), Araripe UNESCO Global Geopark (Brazil), Mixteca Alta UGGp (Mexico), Molina y Alto Tajo UGGp and Cabo Ortegal UGGp (Spain);

Member of the IUGS Board of Referees for the assessment of the International Geological Significance of the nominations for new aspiring UNESCO Global Geoparks;

Collaboration with UNESCO field offices (Nairobi, Montevideo, and Cairo) and with international academic and scientific institutions (universities in Europe, Africa and Latin America, and research institutes in Europe, Latin America and Asia);

Evaluator in 19 evaluation/revalidation missions on UNESCO Global Geoparks: [Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil (4), Canada (3), China (2), Ecuador, Indonesia, Japan, Netherlands, Russia, Thailand, and Vietnam (2)];



Special advisor in seven missions on UNESCO Global Geoparks invited by UNESCO, to aspiring Geoparks territories of Vietnam, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Peru, Kenya, and UAE (Sharjah);

Advisor appointed by UNESCO for the “UNESCO / Global Geoparks Network Grant for Geoparks in Africa and the Arab States” program to tutor the Baringo Geopark Project (Kenya) and Buhais Geopark Project (United Arab Emirates).

Advisor for projects of aspiring UNESCO Global Geoparks in Portugal, Spain, Slovenia, France, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Peru and Mexico;

Presenter and screenwriter of seven TV documentaries broadcasted by RTP (Portuguese public television) on European UNESCO Global Geoparks and their seven thematic working groups (<https://www.rtp.pt/play/p960/geosfera>);

Participant and scientific referee of the script of two TV documentaries (GeoPortugal I <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=77xnxW-goXk> and GeoPortugal II <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zJofmjPTeNU>) broadcasted by RTP (Portuguese public television);

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

English	C1 Level
French	C1 Level
Spanish	C2 Level
Italian	A2 Level

Vila Real, 05th June 2025

By signing this document, I declare, on honor, the truth of the contents in my *Curriculum Vitae*,

