

**PROGRAMME**  
**27 > 29 JAN 26**

**in2coop** BRAGANÇA - Portugal

**International Conference**  
Co Creation Processes in Higher Education

**ipb** Instituto  
Politécnico  
de Bragança

 **STARS EU**



## Welcome to the 2026 International Conference on Co-Creation Processes in Higher Education

Building on the dynamic collaboration from previous editions, In2CoP 2026 is dedicated to advancing innovative, future-oriented higher education shaped by robust partnerships among students, educators, external stakeholders, and our nine STARS EU European University Alliance partners. This year, our three-day conference embodies our commitment to fostering multicultural dialogue, co-creation, and knowledge-driven regional transformation.

**Day 1 (January 27th, Campus Bragança)** opens with a spotlight on **Innovation ecosystems in higher education**, emphasizing active engagement between academia and labor market stakeholders while embracing diverse perspectives from across STARS EU Alliance.

**Day 2 (January 28th, Campus Chaves)** celebrates the anniversary of the Instituto Politécnico de Bragança, featuring a special Sapiientia Lecture, marking a unique moment of shared learning and insights, as well as attribution of honor medals.

**Day 3 (January 29th, Campus Bragança | Mirandela)** is dedicated to **Thematic Interest Groups** led by IPB within the STARS EU Alliance: on the topics of Arts & Creative Industries and Circular Economy, bringing together multidisciplinary teams to address contemporary and emerging challenges in education, research, and societal impact.

In2CoP 2026 welcomes all participants — students, professors, researchers, industry leaders, and civil society representatives — to contribute insights, share best practices, and collaboratively shape the future of higher education. Join us in Bragança, Chaves, and Mirandela, where co-creation knows no borders and innovation thrives in diversity.

# Detailed Agenda

**January 27**

Higher  
Education  
Innovation  
Ecosystems

Library of the Escola  
Superior de Tecnologia  
e Gestão (ESTIG)

Bragança

08h30 **Registration**

09h00 **Opening Ceremony**

Orlando Rodrigues, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal  
Maurício Saldanha Motta, CEFET Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

09h30 **Co-creating Knowledge in Work-Integrated Learning**

Ulrika Lundh Snis, University West, Sweden

**Innovation and Entrepreneurship Strategy of CEFET RJ, Brazil**

Ronney Boloy, CEFET Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

**Trust and Co-Creation: Pillars for Academic and Regional Development**

Ana Teresa Oliveira, Polytechnic University of Viana do Castelo, Portugal

**Community Technology Center in Cabo de Santo Agostinho, Pernambuco, Brazil**

Thiago Câmara, Instituto Federal Pernambucano, Brazil

11h30 **Prototype Exhibition: Students take the stage**

14h00 **SETU's Innovation Ecosystem: A Dynamic Evolution**

William J. O'Gorman, CEDRE, South East Technological University, Ireland

14h30 **WORKSHOP Connecting Talent, Knowledge, and Regions**

**\_From Challenges to Project Ideas - Design Thinking in Social Sciences**

Alex Baroni, University FUMEC, Brazil

**\_From Laboratory Project to Market-Ready Prototype**

Alexandre Gonçalves, MORE CoLAB, Portugal

**\_From Prototype to Market: Business Models & Partnerships**

Jordi Andreu, University Rovira i Virgili, Spain

16h00 **Prototype Exhibition: Students take the stage**

**January 28**

***IPB Day***

Everyone is invited to visit IPB  
Campus in the city of Chaves

Chaves

Morning Open campus @Chaves

Afternoon IPB Ceremony

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Arts and  
Creative  
Industries  
&  
Circular  
Economy Day

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**Bragança**

## Morning Session ► Bragança

### 09h00 **Opening Ceremony**

Luís Pais, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal  
Nuno Ribeiro, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal  
Filomena Barreiro, CIMO, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal  
Carlos Costa, CITED, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

### 09h45 **STARS EU Brand Book**

Janina Weber (HSB), Germany

### 10h10 **MASTER'S IN PRODUCT AND INDUSTRIAL DESIGN - A few case studies involving sustainability and inclusive concerns**

Jorge Lino (FEUP, INEGI), Portugal

### 10h15 **Projects and strategies for Conscious Design in an academic context**

Lígia Lopes (HEAD - Health + Design Lab - ID +), Portugal  
Mariana Regalo, Marina Esmaille (FBAUP-FEUP - MDIP), Portugal

### 10h30 **Innovation Exhibition & Networking Coffee**

### 11h00 **IPB's Project Spotlight Session (10-minutes talks)**

#### **\_INGENIOS: Cross-Border Cooperation for Duero-Douro Industrial Heritage Tourism**

Elaine Scalabrini, UNIAG, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

#### **\_Community Technology Center in Cabo de Santo Agostinho, Pernambuco, Brazil**

Thiago Câmara, Instituto Federal Pernambucano, Brazil

#### **\_Data Acquisition and Analysis from RGB Cameras, Drones, and Satellite Imagery for Decision Support in Precision Agriculture**

João Mendes, CEDRI, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

#### **\_Upcycling Plastic Waste into High-value Carbon Materials: Environmental and Sustainability Perspectives**

Fernanda Roman, CIMO, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

#### **\_From Material to Product Development in Sustainable Construction**

Luís Mesquita, GICOS, Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

#### **\_Transdisciplinary interactions inside Territory, Culture, and Art**

Cristina Mesquita (CITED), Bragança Polytechnic University, Portugal

### 12h00 **Bioshoes4All and Footwear Circular Innovation**

Maria José Ferreira, Portuguese Footwear Technology Center (CTCP)

### 12h30 **Lunch & Transfer to Mirandela**

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Escola Superior de  
Comunicação,  
Administração e  
Turismo (ESACT)

Mirandela

### Afternoon Session ▶ Mirandela

**15h00** **Voices from STARS: Insights on Your Region and Your Expertise**  
\_Nò Design - reuse refuse. Include + Textile tangible experience | wool 1

Jacinta Costa

\_Nine conference retrospective

Ana Lúcia Pinto

**15h30** **Short walk to Art Station**

**16h00** **Workshop: Advancing Circular Regions**

Carlos Costa

Filomena Barreiro

Vera Ferro-Lebres

Sónia Nogueira

Margarida Duque

Jacinta Costa

Bárbara Barroso

Ana Lúcia Pinto

Sónia Pires

Lécio Leal

Inês Barbedo

Juliana Almeida de Souza

**17h00** **Exhibition, Art Station Mirandela**

**17h30** **Closing Ceremony and Port Tasting**