

II Latin Polar Science Workshop

Drawing the Polar Futures

Auditorium 201, Portucalense Legal Institute, Portucalense University
April 16, 2026

PROGRAMME*

*Event timing: 9h00 to 19h30 (Lisbon time)

9h00 - Registration desk

9h30 - Opening remarks

- [Jorge Leite](#), Vice-Rector for Research, UPT
- [Maria Manuela Magalhães](#), Director of IJP
- [Pascoal Pereira](#), Researcher at the Portucalense Legal Institute (IJP) & Assistant professor in the International Relations program, Universidade Portucalense
- [Céline Rodrigues](#), Latin Polar Science, Researcher, IPRI-NOVA

9h40 - Reinforcing cooperation between Arctic and non-Arctic European States

[Laurent Mayet](#), President of the think tank Le CerclePolaire.

10h10 - Research in Svalbard

Keynote speaker: [Hanne Brusletto](#), Ambassador of Norway to Portugal

Moderators: [Laura Urrejola](#) and [Ana Flávia Barros-Plautiau](#)

Speakers:

- [Filipa Barros](#), Researcher, University of Porto and Head of Research, Blindsigh
- [Paulo Câmara](#), NEPESD, Núcleo de Estudos Polares da Escola Superior de Defesa, Full Professor, University of Brasilia and Escola Superior de Defesa (ESD), Brazil (online)

11h20 - Coffee break

11h30 - Arctic maritime surveillance

Keynote speaker: [Élise Racicot](#), Ambassador of Canada to Portugal

Moderator: [Céline Rodrigues](#)

Speakers:

- [Josué Barão](#), Business Development – Space, ATLARCTIC project, Tekever Portugal
- [Luis Velasco](#), Assistant Professor, Vigo University, Spain

12H40 - Lunch

14h00 - Book presentation: Threat Multiplier

[Sherri Goodman](#), USA (online)

14h40 - Geopolitics in the Arctic and Antarctica: is science affected?

Moderator: [Ana Belén López Tárraga](#)

Speakers:

- [Vanessa Reij](#), Polar Geopolitics, Defence and International Relations, Ministry of Defence, Portugal (online)
- [Jefferson Simões](#), Glaciologist, Professor at the Geosciences Institute of the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), Brazil (online)
- [Federico Aznar Fernández-Montesinos](#), Principal Analyst, Instituto Español de Estudios Estratégicos, Ministry of Defence, Spain

15h30 - The End of Arctic Exceptionalism: Emerging Security Architecture and Implications for Latin States

[Théo Urvoy](#), Director of the Cryosphere Department at the Institut D'études de Géopolitique Appliquée (IEGA)

16h00 - What kind of role for southern countries in the Arctic/Poles?

Moderator: [Pascoal Pereira](#)

Speakers:

- [Leonardo Mattos](#), Professor of Geopolitics, Brazilian Naval War College, Brazil (online)
- [Giuliana Panieri](#), Director of the Institute of Polar Science, Italy (online)
- [Céline Rodrigues](#), Researcher IPRI-NOVA, Portugal

16h50 - Coffee break

17h00 - From the Atlantic to the Poles: How Blue Economy Clusters Support Polar Science and Sustainability

[Ruben Eiras](#), Secretary-General, Fórum oceano

17h30 - Research: Osservatorio Artico, NEPESD

Moderator: [Marco Volpe](#) (online)

Speakers:

- [Leonardo Parigi](#), Director Osservatorio Artico, Italy (online)
- [Colonel José Roberto Lima](#), Director ESD and NEPESD, Brazil (online)

18h00 - Abstract Presentations

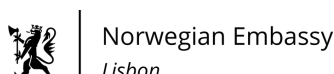
Moderator: [Rui Garrido](#)

Call: Presentation of the selected abstracts

19h00 - Closing remarks

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ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS*

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Parallel session

GROUP 1 (hybrid)

Moderator, **Rui Garrido**
Notes, **Céline Rodrigues**

- *Legal Pathways for Non-Arctic States in Arctic Cooperation*, **Fiammetta Borgia**
- *Safeguarding Global Crop Diversity: Arctic Genebanks as Instruments of Science Diplomacy prior to IPY-5*, **Alexandra Middleton**
- *Navigating the Northeast Passage: Economic Opportunities and Risks for Non-Arctic States*, **Anne Runhaar**
- *Rights of Nature and Foreign Investment Governance in Complex Ecosystems: Comparative Lessons from the Arctic and the Amazon*, **Jose Gustavo Prieto Muñoz**

GROUP 2 (hybrid)

Moderator, **Pascoal Pereira**
Notes, **Ana Belén López Tárraga**

- *From Exceptionalism to Integration: Institutional Adaptation and Non-Arctic Engagement in Arctic Governance*, **Ahmed Gad**
- *Biogeochemical controls on phytoplankton dynamics in Antarctic Coastal Waters: Insights from the POLAR-BIOMAP Campaign*, **Caio Cesar Ribeiro**
- *Acute and sublethal toxicity of solid waste leachate to the endemic freshwater copepod *Boeckella poppei* on King George Island, Antarctica*, **Tainá Fonseca and Caio Cesar Ribeiro**
- *Indigenous Rights Across Continents: A Comparative Study of the Sami People and the Indigenous Peoples of the Brazilian Amazon*, **Celma Regina Hellebust**

GROUP 3 (online)

Moderator, **Marco Volpe**
Notes, **Laura Urrejola**

- *EU Law and Earth-Space Extractivism at the 'Arctic Gateway to Space'*, **Tom Gabriel Royer**
- *The Arctic as a Unitary Mediterranean Region*, **Marco Ghisetti**
- *Filter feeders behavior in polar regions*, **Laura Morales Luna Hadryś**
- *Polar Climate Justice and Civil Liability for Environmental Damage in the Antarctic Context*, **Florinda Soca**

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