

MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS 2022

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HOST INSTITUTION

NOVA University Lisbon | School of Social Sciences and Humanities, CICS.NOVA – Interdisciplinary Centre of Social Sciences

RESEARCH GROUP AND URL

CICS.NOVA Research Group 2 (RG2): Citizenship, Work and Technology, Research team (RT4): Rights, Policy and Justice.

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SHORT CV OF THE SUPERVISOR

Maria João (Orcid: 0000-0003-1490-1398) has an interdisciplinary background on Sociology and Education. She finished a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1986, and obtained a Higher Specialized Studies Diploma in Education and at-risk Groups from the Lisbon Education School of Polytechnic Institute in 1999. At the NOVA FCSH she completed the Master in Sociology in 2003 with research funded by the Portuguese Institute of Drugs and Drug Addiction (IPDT) – focused on the sociodemographic analysis of the young offenders placed in custody during the Child Law Reform in Portugal (1999-2000)–, and concluded the PhD in Sociology in 2011 funded by the FCT – Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia. Her PhD study was based on ethnographic and child-centred research methods, including visual techniques (drawings and community photography), exploring the involvement in violence and delinquency of children, aged 6 to 12-year-old, residents from six social housing neighbourhoods in the Lisbon Metropolitan Area. Since September 2017, she is conducting the project *Youth Offending in the Juvenile and Criminal Justice Systems in Portugal* with the support of a FCT Post-Doctorate Individual Grant. Recently, her application to the 4th Edition of the FCT Stimulus of Scientific Employment, Individual Support was selected for funding (2021.00384.CEECIND) with the research project *Cyber-delinquency@Child-Justice*.

Her interest in sociological research started to be built upon on her work as teacher working with young offenders in a custodial institution from the Ministry of Justice for sixteen years (1987- 2003), and with at-risk children and youth in social housing neighbourhoods' state schools, for fourteen years (2003-2017). The everyday practise of working with social disadvantaged populations in such specific contexts is at the basis of her options to do sociological investigation exploring issues where research and scientific knowledge are scarce in Portugal: children and youth at-risk; the Rights of the Child; social control and access to Justice; child poverty; Justice for and with children; delinquency and urban violence; media uses by children and young people and online offending.

Much of her career has been dedicated to the interface of research and social intervention by bringing together the resources and the expertise of community-based organizations, State entities and researchers from different scientific fields to address real-world issues concerning children and young people's citizenship.. With the start of the PhD project in 2005, her position as an independent investigator was strengthened and since then she has been strongly active in international and national networking being recognized as Portuguese expert in the study of children and youth and related Law enforcement. Her research work has been consistently disseminated in and outside academy and has been used for consultation, decision-making in the fields of Security and Justice, Child and Youth public policy and Law making. She often collaborates on undergraduate and graduate courses at Universities and is also engaged in specialized training activities for Judges, Public Prosecutors, Police forces, social/health workers, among others.

She has been Scientific Consultant in national and international programmes, namely at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation (CGF) in relation to social intervention with at-risk children and youth (since 2007), and the Child Poverty Group at the EAPN-European Anti-Poverty Network Portugal (since 2009). She was member of the International Advisory Group of PROMISE (H2020-YOUNGSOCIETY-2015/693221) to

provide support and theoretical-methodological guidance to 12 teams from 10 countries (2016-19). In October 2019, she was invited to join the Portuguese Team of the ISRD4 – International Self-Report Delinquency Study.

She has experience in participating in jury of academic degree and in supervising graduate and post-graduate students, including national and international post-doctoral researchers. She has been the Portuguese representative in the European Council for Juvenile Justice from the International Juvenile Justice Observatory (2009-2020) and in the Child-Friendly Justice European Network (since 2019). She was co-founder of the Working Groups on Sociology of Law and Justice (2014-15) and Sociology of Childhood (2018-19) of the Portuguese Sociological Association (APS). She is member of the RC Sociology of Law from the ISA–International Sociological Association, ESC–European Society of Criminology (Thematic Working Group on Juvenile Justice), and ECREA–European Communication Research and Education Association. In 2016, she was appointed as Counsellor to the National Council of the National Commission for the Promotion of the Rights and Protection of Children and Young People (CNPDPJC), co-opted as a person of recognized merit in the area of childhood and youth at risk in Portugal. More recently, in January 2021, she was elected by the CNPDPCJ to the Commission for Follow-up and Monitoring of the National Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2021-24.

5 SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Carvalho, M.J.L. (2021). **"Youth Justice, 'Education in the Law' and the (In)Visibility of Digital Citizenship"**. In Brites, M.J. & Castro, T.S. (Eds.). *Digital citizenship, literacies and contexts of inequalities*, edited by Brites, Maria José; Castro, T.S. . Lisboa, Portugal: Edições Universitárias Lusófonas, pp. 67-78. [URL](#)
- Ponte, C.; Carvalho, M.J.L.; & Batista, S. (2021). **Exploring European children's self-reported data on online aggression**. *Communications* 46 (3): 419-445. Doi: 10.1515/commun-2021-0050 [URL](#)
- Carvalho, M.J.L.; Duarte, V. & Gomes, S. (2021). **Female Crime and Delinquency: A kaleidoscope of changes at the intersection of gender and age**. *Women & Criminal Justice*. Doi: 10.1080/08974454.2021.1985044 [URL](#)
- Two volume book: Gomes, S.; Carvalho, M.J.L.; & Duarte, V. (Eds.) (2021). **Incarceration and Generation. Volume I: Multiple Faces of Confinement**. Palgrave Studies in Prisons and Penology. London, United Kingdom: Palgrave Macmillan. Doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-82265-1 [URL](#) / Gomes, S.; Carvalho, M.J.L.; & Duarte, V. (Eds.) (2021). **Incarceration and Generation. Volume II: Challenging Generational Relations**. Palgrave Studies in Prisons and Penology. London, United Kingdom: Palgrave Macmillan. XXII, 340 pgs. Doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-82276-73 [URL](#)
- Carvalho, M.J.L.; Urbano, C.; Duarte & Vera, D. (2021). **"Goldies", 'Birdies'and 'Oldies': An Exploratory Analysis of Young Adults in Portuguese Prisons"**. In Gomes, S.; Carvalho, M.J.L. & Duarte, V. (Eds.). *Incarceration and Generation, Volume I: Multiples Faces of Confinement*. United Kingdom: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 183-223. Doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-82265-1_65

PROJECT TITLE AND SHORT DESCRIPTION

The **RIGHTS, POLICY AND JUSTICE RESEARCH TEAM** ([URL](#)) promotes a critical and plural approach to the implementation of Human Rights, which highlights legal order and integrated governance as guarantees for sustainable development and social cohesion. In association with national and international networks, research focuses on analysing: i) the social dynamics and constraints affecting high risk social groups (e.g., children, youth, women, migrants, ethnic groups and detainees) in the experience and access to social and justice systems, problematizing the contexts and conditions that constrain their inclusion and the exercise of an active citizenship; and ii) how these high-risk groups exercise their specific rights within the framework of public policies. Current main research issues: i) Justice System(s): access, responses and social reintegration; ii) Enforcement of the Rights of the Child: children and young people at risk; iii)

Cyberdelinquency and Justice Regulation: Media, (Digital) Citizenship and Risk(s) in Childhood and Youth;
iv) Methodology and Ethics in Research (with children; and in contexts of liberty deprivation).

Maria João Leote de Carvalho is conducting the Project “*Youth Offending in the Juvenile and in the Criminal Justice Systems in Portugal (YO&JUST)*” ([URL](#)). Based on a case study grounded in a multi-method approach, the study articulates two main guidelines. One aims to characterize and discuss the youth offending patterns and offender’s trajectories recorded in judicial proceedings from Juvenile and Criminal Courts in the Lisbon Metropolitan Area. In relation to law in practice, we intend to explore the decision-making processes at the prosecuting or sentencing stage and examine how Portuguese Juvenile and Young Adult’s Criminal Laws integrate international standards. In October 2022, Maria João will start the new project recently selected for funding by the FCT, entitled “*Cyber-Delinquency@Child-Justice (C@CJ)i*” (Ref.^a FCT 2021.00384.CEECIND). The proposed research project seeks to investigate cyber-delinquency and modes of regulating young people’s online experiences. Drawing on a multi-site, mixed methods approach, it consolidates an interdisciplinary approach to the innovative field of online offending grounded on the intersection of a Sociological lens with Criminology and Law. These two projects address critical issues in the Justice field by uncovering challenges the juvenile and criminal jurisdictions face, aiming to generate new empirical data to support recommendations for effective justice policy and accountable institutions.

SCIENTIFIC AREA WHERE THE PROJECT FITS BEST*

Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC)

***Scientific Area where the project fits best** – Please select/indicate the scientific area according to the panel evaluation areas: Chemistry (CHE) • Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC) • Economic Sciences (ECO) • Information Science and Engineering (ENG) • Environment and Geosciences (ENV) • Life Sciences (LIF) • Mathematics (MAT) • Physics (PHY)