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### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR HOSTING MARIE CURIE FELLOWS

#### HOST INSTITUTION

NOVA FCSH | School of Social Sciences and Humanities  
Research Unit: CICS.NOVA

#### RESEARCH GROUP AND URL

##### **Research Group 2 (RG2): Citizenship, Work and Technology – Research Team 4 (RT4) Rights, Policy and Justice**

This Research Group (RG2) sets itself up to examine, from a double standpoint of fundamental and applied research, some of the major phenomena of inclusion and social exclusion. The concept of citizenship” is ascribed an axial role. Piecing together the ideals set forth in the notion of inclusive society with the exercise of universal rights and duties, “citizenship” becomes an apt index to densify the inclusion subject in concrete research. From the point of view of the specific targets to be achieved, this group aims on the one hand, to develop a theoretical, epistemological and methodological critique of the concepts of "social inclusion" and "citizenship", providing them with effective heuristic capacity, and deepen the problematique of citizenship within four major threads, assorted from the actual research know-how of the RG members: The Work and Organizations; Technology; Politics and Justice.

The **Rights, Policy and Justice Research Team (RT4)** integrates researchers from different Universities promoting 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.

**URL:**<https://www.cics.nova.fcsh.unl.pt/research/research-groups/2-citizenship-work-and-technology/rights-policy-and-justice>

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#### SHORT CV OF THE SUPERVISOR

Maria João Leote de Carvalho is a Sociologist at CICS.NOVA. Since 2014, she has coordinated the research line Rights, Policy, and Justice. Maria João finished a Bachelor's Degree in Education (1986), and obtained a Higher Specialized Studies Diploma in Education and at-risk Groups from the Lisbon Education School, Polytechnic Institute (1999). At NOVA FCSH she completed the Master in Sociology (2003, funded by the Portuguese Institute of Drugs and Dependencies), and concluded the PhD in Sociology (2011, funded by the FCT). Since September 2017, she has conducted research on youth offending in the juvenile and criminal Justice Systems in Portugal, supported by a FCT Post-Doctorate Individual Grant. Her interest in sociological research has been built upon on her work as primary/special education teacher working with young offenders in a custodial institution (Ministry of Justice, 1987-2003), and with at-risk children and their families in social housing neighbourhoods' state schools in Oeiras (2003-2017). She was coordinator of educational, vocational and professional training programs for young offenders and took part in/coordinated innovative applied research-action projects through the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Justice (1997-2003). At Carnaxide-Portela Schools Grouping, she held various management positions, including the coordination of TEIP-Educational Territories for Priority



Intervention Program (2006-17, Ministry of Education). The everyday practice of working with social disadvantaged populations in such specific contexts is at the basis of her option to do sociological investigation exploring issues on Rights of the Child, delinquency and crime, Justice public policies, family violence, child poverty, media uses by young children and media studies related to violence and Child and Family Law. 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 high-risk social groups.

In 2000, she collaborated with the National Commission of Experts to Follow up on the Implementation of the 1<sup>st</sup> National Plan Against Domestic Violence (Ministry for Equality). She was co-opted as specialist in child protection and family issues to the Children and Youth's Protection Commission in Oeiras (2003-2007).

She has been Scientific Consultant in national/international programs, such as in Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation (since 2007), Child Poverty Group/European Anti-Poverty Network Portugal (since 2009), PROMISE Project (H2020-2015/693221), and Evaluator of EEA Grants at FCG (since 2013). She has been the Portuguese representative in the European Council for Juvenile Justice/IJJO (since 2009) and in 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 ISA—International Sociological Association, ESC—European Society of Criminology, and ECREA. She often collaborates on graduate courses and advanced specialized training activities. She has accreditation for teacher training by the Scientific-Pedagogical Council (2000, Ministry of Education).

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 co-opted as a person of recognized merit in the area of childhood and youth at risk in Portugal. Representing Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (2017-19), she was among the founding team of the Collaborative Laboratory (CoLAB) ProChild CoLab Against Child Poverty and Social Exclusion.

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## 5 SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Carvalho, M.J.L., (2018), “Constructing Meaning About Young Girl’s Delinquency in Public Housing Neighbourhoods”. In Gomes, S. & Duarte, V. (Eds.), *Female Crime and Delinquency in Portugal: In and Out of the Criminal Justice System*, London: Palgrave Macmillan Cham, pp. 143-162, Doi: [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-73534-4\\_8](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-73534-4_8)
- Duarte, V. & Carvalho, M.J.L., (2017), Female Delinquency in Portugal: What Girls Have to Say About Their Offending Behaviors, *Gender Issues*, 34(3), pp. 258–274, Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12147-017-9187-8>
- Carvalho, M.J.L. & Ortiz, V. (2016), V., “La Intervencion Con Menores en Desproteccion y Conflicto Con la Ley - Portugal”. In Morales, C. (Ed.), *La intervención comparada con menores en desprotección y en conflicto con la ley en diferentes países*, Madrid: Editorial Dykinson, S.L, pp. 259-291. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/j.ctt1k85bs0>
- Carvalho, M.J.L., Children’s perspectives on disorder and violence in urban neighbourhoods, *Childhood – A Global Journal of Child Research*, February 2013 vol. 20 nº. 1 98-114. first published on June 25,



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## PROJECT TITLE AND SHORT DESCRIPTION

### RIGHTS, POLICY AND JUSTICE

The **Rights, Policy and Justice Research Team (RT4)** 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) Children's Rights, Childhood and Youth; iii) Media, Citizenship and Risk(s); iv) Methodology and Ethics in Research (with children; and in contexts of liberty deprivation).

The RT4 Supervisor is currently conducting the **Project "YOUTH OFFENDING IN THE JUVENILE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS IN PORTUGAL (YO&JUST)"**. How does juvenile offending (12–15 years) differ from young adult offending (16–21 years) in the juvenile and criminal justice systems in Portugal? This is the major question YO&JUST addresses involving a comprehensive analysis on youth offending in relation to the nature and extension of Law enforcement. 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. The project addresses critical issues in the field by uncovering challenges the juvenile and criminal jurisdictions face, aiming to ensure more effective action (2017 – 2023).

## SCIENTIFIC AREA WHERE THE PROJECT FITS BEST

Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC) | Sociology