

*The Ombudsman Agenda*

October 5<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended at the City Hall of Lisbon the Celebratory Ceremony of the Anniversary of the Establishment of the Portuguese Republic, presided by His Excellency the President.

October 8<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman gave the Keynote Address entitled *Letter to a young Judge (Carta a uma ou a um jovem Magistrado)* in the Opening Ceremony of the 31<sup>st</sup> Training Course for Judges and 3<sup>rd</sup> Normal Training Course for Administrative and Tax Courts Judges, at the Center for Judicial Studies Auditorium, Lisbon.

October 9<sup>th</sup>: The *Ficus: Associação Cultural dos Atuais e Antigos Colaboradores do Provedor de Justiça* (Ficus: Cultural Association of Current and Former Employees of the Portuguese Ombudsman) started its activity, simply promoted by the Ombudsman and on this day took place the first General Assembly at the auditorium of the Salesianos, in Lisbon.

October 10<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman as the National Human Rights Institution and defender of the fundamental rights of citizens pointed out with a brief message, the *World and European Day Against the Death Penalty*, underlining the fact that Portugal was one of the first countries in Europe abolishing this practice.

October 16<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended the Opening Ceremony of the Academic Year 2014/2015, at the *Aula Magna* of the University of Lisbon which included the award ceremony of the *Prize University of Lisbon 2014* to Professor Adriano Moreira, outstanding member of the Advisory Council of the National Preventive Mechanism Against Torture.

October 17<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman as a defender of fundamental rights and as the National Human Rights Institution marked with a short note on the institutional website, the *International Day for the Eradication of Poverty*. This year's theme is *Leave no one behind is: think, decide and act together against extreme poverty*.

October 18<sup>th</sup>: The Portuguese Ombudsman as the National Human Rights Institution underlined with a brief note the *European Day Against Trafficking in Human Beings* in order to promote community awareness of this severe and unspeakable human rights violation.

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## *News*

- Secretary of State for Infrastructure, Transport and Communications has informed the Portuguese Ombudsman acknowledging the prescription of the public utility statement of the Regional Road of *Costa da Caparica / Fonte da Telha*. [More information...](#)
- The Portuguese Ombudsman marks the *European Day against Trafficking in Human Beings*. [More information...](#)
- The Portuguese Ombudsman marks the *International Day for the Eradication of Poverty*. [More information...](#)

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