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The Ombudsman Agenda

October 8th: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended the 2015th Judicial Year Opening Ceremony at the Supreme Court. At the event several statements were presented, respectively by the Bar Association President, the State Prosecutor, the President of the Supreme Court, the Minister of Justice and the President of the Republic.

October 14th: The Portuguese Ombudsman, as part of the 40th anniversary celebrations, has promoted the institutional seminar entitled *The contemporary thought and the human condition of the prisoner (or) the hidden bad conscience of the well-thinking* at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation in Lisbon. The event was sponsored by Montepio and Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation involvement.

October 16th: The Portuguese Ombudsman empowered Judge Henrique Ataíde Rosa Antunes as his Deputy Ombudsman. The ceremony was held at the Ombudsman's headquarters in Lisbon.

October 23rd: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended the Angola's Public Prosecutor Judges Training Program Closing Ceremony, held at the Auditorium's Centre of Judicial Studies in Lisbon.

October 30th: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended the XX Constitutional Government inauguration ceremony, which took place in Palácio da Ajuda, in Lisbon.

November 3rd: The Portuguese Ombudsman attended the Opening Ceremony of the Tribute Conference to Amadeu Ferreira, called *Administrative infraction and market crimes* promoted by the Portuguese Securities Market Commission (Comissão de Mercado de Valores Mobiliários) in Lisbon.

November 6th: The Portuguese Ombudsman promoted as part of the 40th anniversary celebration, a *jazz* concert with Maria João and Mário Laginha at the Culturgest Great Auditorium. Both Caixa Geral de Depósitos and the Culturgest Foundation joined the concert organization.



November 9th: The Portuguese Ombudsman flew to Montevideo, in Uruguay, to attend the Ombudsman Iberoamerican Federation (FIO) XX Ordinary General Assembly, XX Annual Congress and the thematic network meetings. These events were organized by the Defensoria del Pueblo of Uruguay and by FIO and supported by the International Cooperation German Agency (GIZ). At the Annual Congress, under the theme *Acceso a la Información Pública y Transparencia*, the Portuguese Ombudsman presented a statement entitled *The Ombudsman's role and the access to public information* (O papel do Provedor de Justiça e o acesso à informação pública).

November 21st: The Portuguese Ombudsman has inaugurated a photography exhibition entitled *40 years, 40 photos, 40 photographers*, as part of the 40th anniversary celebration, on display at the Portuguese Photography Centre (Centro Português de Fotografia), in Oporto. This exhibition is formed by 40 pieces, winners of a photography competition which took place between March 1st and May 31st 2015, portraying the Ombudsman mission.

The competition and exhibition organization had the collaboration of the Portuguese Photography Centre and the site Olhares.com – Fotografia.online.

The Portuguese Ombudsman statement

- The Portuguese Ombudsman condemns the terrorist attacks in Paris

Last Friday evening we all have witnessed the horror made by a number of terrible acts of violence perpetrated in the French capital. It outnumbers largely one hundred lives that randomly and meaninglessly were lost. More than three hundred survived the bullets and bombs. Are countless, the people that, in Paris, in France and in the world, live with fear. Fear that their lives, their loved ones lives can be randomly destroyed anywhere, anytime. For many, a normal act in their daily living, like a football game, a dinner or a concert was simply fatal.

The Portuguese Ombudsman, as the human rights defender – and it's a Humanity fundamental right to live without fear – firmly, unconditionally and strongly condemns the atrocities made, for no reason. He shows with these words his absolute solidarity with the French State and its citizens presenting his most heartfelt condolences to the mourning families.



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- The Portuguese Ombudsman asks the School Administration Directorate-General to terminate the administrative sanctions by lack of proof concerning the School Hiring Fellowship (Bolsa de contratação de Escola). [More information...](#)
- The Portuguese Ombudsman marks the Universal Children's Day. [More information...](#)