



# CIN TURS

Research Centre for Tourism,  
Sustainability and Well-being

**Year of establishment:** 2007

**Host Institution:** University of Algarve (UAIG), Portugal

**National Status:** R&D Unit funded by FCT (Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal)

**FCT Classification:** Very Good

## Executive Board

Patrícia Pinto (Coordinator)

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## Major Scientific Areas

Social and Economic Geography

Economics and Management

Other Social Sciences

## MISSION AND GOAL

CinTurs is a multidisciplinary Research Centre that combines knowledge and approaches from Human, Social and Environmental Sciences to produce and transfer knowledge in Tourism and Hospitality with the goal of contributing to sustainable development of tourist territories, competitiveness of hospitality industry and destinations' governance, and well-being of tourists, visited communities and employees in the tourism industry.

## STRATEGIC GUIDELINES AND ACTIVITIES

- Multidisciplinary research and collaborative processes
- Internationalization
- Strong ties with the region
- Commitment to excellence in scientific production
- Sturdy support to advanced training (PhD & PostDoc levels)
- Strong involvement in relevant actions for society
- Initiation of undergraduate and master students to research
- Active organization of conferences, seminars and short courses.

## RESEARCH AREAS

**Sustainable Tourism and Territories** focusing on designing healthier, greener, resilient, regenerated tourism destinations, with better mobility conditions, improved air and water quality, reduced crime and security costs.

**Keywords:** Tourism Planning and Development, Tourism Geographies, Environmental Impacts of Tourism, Resilience in Tourism, Ecotourism and Protected Areas, Smart Tourism, Outdoor Recreation, Design of Recreation Areas, Touristic Resources, Park/Beach Management and Regenerative Tourism.

**Tourism and Stakeholders' Well-being** focusing on the identification of solutions that contribute to guarantee the well-being of the stakeholders (tourists, residents, and workers in the tourism industry), increasing social cohesion and better living conditions for all.

**Keywords:** Tourists' Well-being, Tourism and residents, Tourism and quality of life, Second home Tourism, Social Impacts of Tourism, Cultural Impacts of Tourism, Health Tourism, Sports and Tourism, Healthy Workplaces in Hospitality, Lifestyle Mobilities and Migration.

## Tourism and Hospitality Competitiveness and Governance

focusing on developing creative and innovative strategies to ensure the competitiveness of destinations as well as models of governance adapted to the needs to all relevant stakeholders in the tourism activity.

**Keywords:** Destination Governance, Destination Competitiveness, Destination Branding, Quality of Tourism Destinations, Economic Impacts of Tourism, Hospitality Industry, Innovation in Tourism, Tourism Marketing, Tourism Experiences, Event Tourism and Cultural Tourism.

## FACILITIES

CinTurs is located at the Faculty of Economics of the University of Algarve (FeUAlg) and shares part of its facilities:

- 1 secretariat office
- 1 open space area for researchers
- 1 meeting room for advanced courses/ scientific meetings
- 2 auditoriums for seminars/conferences
- Free access to electronic resources
- 2 computer labs and 1 office for IT support

General facilities next to CinTurs location are also the Central Library. UAIG also provides administrative support in financial matters, due to the tight interaction between CinTurs and UAIG.

## MEMBERS

Integrated PhD Members: 40 | Integrated PhD Students: 57  
| Collaborator Members: 55 | Staff: 2

## MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (PhD fields of Integrated Members)

Tourism: 20% | Psychology: 15% | Economy: 17,5%  
| Management: 15% | Environmental Sciences: 10% |  
Quantitative Methods: 10% | Sociology: 5%  
| Sports Sciences: 5% | Other Fields: 2,5%

## HIGHLIGHTS 2018-2019

- € 1.15** of total funding:  
**Million** € 0.15 Million from pluriannual funding (FCT)  
€ 1.00 Million from project funding  
(55% from international funding; an increase  
of 143% in 2019)
- 154** indexed articles
- 109** articles in journals with Scopus indexed  
(44 in 2019, with 72.7% in Q1 or Q2)
- 76** books' chapters
- 11** books (author)
- 36** books/journals (edition)
- 45** R&D projects (68.9% international)
- 11** consulting projects
- 16** international research stays
- 6** scientific awards
- 6** international conferences
- 37** seminars
- 12** short courses
- 5** active support to PhD programmes
- 9** PhD thesis concluded
- 4** postdoctoral researchers (9 applications for FCT  
Individual Call for Scientific Employment in 2020)
- 46** MSc dissertations concluded
- 26** undergraduate and master students enrolled  
in research
- 2** scientific journals edited, indexed in Web-of-Science
- Journal of Spatial and Organizational  
Dynamics (JSOD)
- Tourism and Management Studies (TMS)

## R&D PROJECTS 2018-2019

### Coordination of 12 international projects

SUSTowns (Interreg Med Programme; 2019-2022)  
ACCESS2SEA (Interreg Atlantic Area; 2019-2022)  
BEST MED (Interreg Med Programme; 2019-2022)  
EuroGadiana (Interreg V POCTEP; 2019-2021)  
finMED (Interreg Med Programme; 2018-2022)  
Creainnovation (Interreg Med Programme; 2018-2022)  
TrailGazersBid (Interreg Atlantic Area; 2019-2022)  
TunaRoute (EMFF; 2018-2019)  
RESTORE (Horizon 2020; 2016-2021)  
TRIANGLE (Erasmus +; 2016-2019)  
ShapeTourism (Interreg Med; 2016-2018)  
INSPIRATION (Horizon 2020; 2015-2018)  
+ participation in 19 international projects under the Interreg Med,  
Interreg V-A Spain-Portugal, Horizon 2020, Erasmus +, COST,  
CAPES and EuroQol frameworks and Tekes – The Finnish Funding  
Agency for Innovation

### Coordination of 6 national projects

TurExperience (CRESC Algarve 2020; 2019-2021)  
RESTUR (CRESC Algarve 2020; 2019-2021)  
BIODES (FCT; 2018-2021)  
CREATOUR (FCT; CRESC Algarve 2020; Lisboa 2020; 2016-2019)  
ACCES4ALL (FCT, CRESC Algarve 2020, Norte 2020; 2017-2019)  
WARECAMO (FCT; 2016-2018)  
+ participation in 8 national projects under the FCT, CRESC  
Algarve 2020, Mar 2020, PO Algarve 21, FCT, PRODER and  
ARDITI frameworks

## NETWORKING

CinTurs has been working with a wide and diverse  
network of institutions (Universities, Research Centres,  
Companies and other public institutions):  
**91** international institutions  
**56** national institutions

## OUTSTANDING AWARDS 2018-2019

Saul de Jesus: Prémio Carreira Sul 2019 (honorable  
mention), Order of Portuguese Psychologists, Portugal  
João Guerreiro: Scientific Merit Medal, Science 2018,  
FCT, Portugal

## MAJOR CONFERENCES UPCOMING

- t-Forum 2020 Global Conference. Algarve, 7-9, Nov.'20
- TMS ALGARVE 2021 – Tourism & Management Studies  
International Conference. Algarve, 10-13, Nov.'21

## MAJOR SHORT COURSES UPCOMING

- Literature Review with NVivo
- Quantitative Data Analysis with SPSS Statistics
- Structural Equation Modeling

