

1- 3 June 2026

**“Independence in an Interdependent World  
Celebrating the 250 years of the  
Declaration of Independence”**

*Programme*

**Monday, June 1**

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**15.00-16:00 – Opening session [AR & PSR]**

Host: **Isabel Capelo Gil** (Rector, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Lisbon)

Guest of Honour: **Luís Capão** (Vice-President, Câmara Municipal de Cascais)

Opening Address: **Mónica Dias** (Director, IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

**16.00-16.15 – Break**

**16.15-17.45 – Celebrating the 250 years of the Declaration of Independence [AR & PSR]**

Host: **Raquel Duque** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Marc Plattner** (Founding Co-Editor, Journal of Democracy, Washington, D.C.),

**António Feijó** (President, Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon), **José Gomes André**

(Faculdade de Letras, Universidade de Lisboa), **Lívia Franco** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon),

**17.45-18.15 – Tea Break**

**18.15-19.45 – European Union: between the Atlantic and Eastern Europe [AR & PSR]**

*in association with Goethe-Institut Portugal*

Host: **Jana Binder** (Goethe-Institut Portugal)

**José Manuel Durão Barroso** (Former Prime Minister of Portugal; Former President of the European Commission; President, FLAD; Director, IEP-Católica Centre for European Studies, Lisbon) in conversation with Keynote Speaker **Carlo Masala** (Bundeswehr University Munich)

**20.15-22.00 – George Washington Memorial Dinner [ER]**

Host: **John Joseph Arrigo** (HE Ambassador of the USA)

Speaker: **António Martins da Costa** (President, American Chamber of Commerce, Lisbon)

Moderator: **Ana Cavalieri** (IEP-Católica)

**Tuesday, June 2**

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**10.00-11.15 – Reinventing Free Trade Agreements in an Interdependent World – India, China and Mercosul [AR]**

Host: **Orlando Samões** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Marco Vicenzino** (Global Strategy Project), **Mariana Madeira Tavares** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Paul Flather** (Mansfield College, Oxford), **Vítor Bento** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Discussants: **João Eduardo Gata** (IEP PhD Student)

**10.00-11.15 – Panel Students’ Choice: Influências dos algoritmos e das redes sociais nas escolhas políticas dos jovens (in Portuguese) [PSR]**

Host: **Inês Gregório** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Carla Ganito** (FCH-Católica, Lisbon), **William Hasselberger** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Discussants: **Maria Leonor Nunes, Elmaz Aliyeva, Francisco Silva** (IEP BA students)

**11.15-11.45 – Coffee Break**

**11.45-13.00 – Konrad Adenauer Memorial Lecture - The state of Democracy and Geopolitical Tensions in Latin America [AR]**

*in association with KAS - Konrad Adenauer Stiftung*

Host: **Martin Friedek** (Project Coordinator, Konrad Adenauer Foundation for Spain and Portugal)

Speakers: **Andres Malamud** (ICS, Universidade de Lisboa), **Catarina Caria** (Institute for the Promotion of Latin America and the Caribbean, Lisbon), **David García Cantalapiedra** (Complutense University, Instituto Franklin, US Foreign Policy Strategic Observatory)

Discussant: **Henrique Patrício** (IEP PhD student)

**13:15-14:15 Buffet Lunch** sponsored by KAS [IR]

**14.30- 15.45 – The Role of Diplomacy in the Rough New World [AR]**

*in association with AWA – Association of Women Ambassadors*

Host: **Ana Martinho** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Chair: **Élise Racicot** (HE, Ambassador of Canada; President, AWA)

Speakers: **Aisha Farooqui** (HE, Ambassador of Pakistan), **Emília Fábíán** (HE, Ambassador of Hungary); **Haldun Koç** (HE, Ambassador Türkiye), **Helen Cheney** (HE, Ambassador Australia), **Sofia Moreira de Sousa** (European Commission Representation to Portugal, Lisbon)

Discussant: **Joana Ramos** (IEP PhD student)

**14.30- 15.45 – “Desenhando novos mapas de esperança”: o papel da Educação (in Portuguese) [PSR]**

*in association with Fundação Amélia de Mello*

Host: **Jorge Quintas** (Fundação Amélia de Mello, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Alexandre Homem Cristo** (Secretary of State for Education, Portugal),

**Alexandre Silva** (Director Department of Education and Youth, Câmara Municipal de Cascais), **Daniela Silva** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Discussant: **Sebastião Dâmaso de Andrade** (IEP PhD student)

**15.45-16.00 – Break**

**16.00-17.15 – What ways to Peace in the Middle East? [AR]**

Host: **José Tomaz Castello-Branco** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Abdulaziz Sager** (Gulf Research Center, Riyadh), **Marina Pignatelli** (ISCSP, Universidade de Lisboa), **Nuno Severiano Teixeira** (Former Minister of the Interior and Minister of National Defense of Portugal; Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa), **Vasco Becker-Weinberg** (Nova School of Law, Lisbon)

Discussant: **Shazmin Dosani** (IEP PhD student), **Corina Lozovan** (IEP PhD student)

**16.00-17.15 – Catholic Social Thought and Globalization [PSR]**

Host: **André Azevedo Alves** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Juan Angel Soto** (Universidad de Navarra), **Leonor Durão Barroso** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Philip Booth** (St. Mary’s University, London)

Discussant: **António Capela** (IEP PhD student)

**17.15-17.45 – Tea Break**

**17.45-19.00 – The Ralf Dahrendorf Memorial Panel: Liberal Democracy, the Euro-Atlantic Alliance of Values and the 640th Anniversary of the Windsor Treaty** (*in Portuguese*) [PSR]

Host: **João Carlos Espada** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Chair: **Guilherme D'Oliveira Martins** (Adviser, Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon)

Speakers: **Carlos Marques de Almeida** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon); **Edward Godfrey\*** (British Historical Society of Portugal); **Nuno Ennes** (International Churchill Society of Portugal); **Teresa de Sousa** (Jornal Público).

Discussant: Daniela Nunes (PhD student, IEP-Católica, Lisbon).

**17.45-19.00 – O Brasil no palco global: Desafios e escolhas estratégicas para o futuro** (*in Portuguese*) [AR]

Host: **João Pereira Coutinho** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Carmen Fonseca** (Director, IPRI, Universidade Nova de Lisboa), **Marcelo Medeiros** (ICS, Universidade de Lisboa), **Karim Quintino** (CIEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Discussant: **Carolina di Colla** (IEP Master student)

**19.15-19h45 – Book Presentation: *The Palgrave Handbook on Geopolitics of Brazil and the South Atlantic*** [AR]

Host: **António Fontes Ramos\*** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Authors and Presenters: **Francisco José Leandro** (University of Macau), **Francisco Proença Garcia** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

**20.30-22.30 – Jan Karski Memorial Dinner** [ER]

*in association with the Embassy of Poland*

Host: **Dorota Barys** (Chief of Mission, Embassy of Poland in Lisbon)

Chair: **Nuno Sampaio** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Agnieszka Bieńczyk-Missala** (Vice-Dean for International Cooperation, Head of the Department of Strategic Studies and International Security, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw)

**Wednesday, June 3**

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**10.00-11.15 – Europaeum Special Debate [AR]**

Host: **Nick Barker** (Europaeum, Oxford)

Speakers: Students from Europaeum, Students from IEP-Católica

Discussants: **Lucja Piekarska** (Jagiellonian University, Krakow), **Ernest Caldwell** (St. Mary's University, London), **Sónia Ribeiro** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Paulo Sande** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

**10.00-11.15 – CIEP Breakout Session – 250 years of the Declaration of Independence [PSR]**

Host: **Ivone Moreira** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Chair: **Cristina Sá Carvalho** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speakers: **Daniel Roças and Tomás Pereira** (Academia Militar), **Márcio Espírito Santos** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Rosa Benedito** (Universidade Católica de Moçambique)

Discussants: **José Miguel Sardica** (FCH-Católica e IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Luís Leal de Faria** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

**11.15-11.45 – Coffee Break**

**11.45-13.00 – Geopolítica de África: como promover a Paz e o Desenvolvimento (in Portuguese) [AR]**

Host: **Francisco Proença Garcia** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speakers: **Cornélio Mussá** (Universidade Católica de Moçambique, Maputo), **Lucie Calléja** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Raul Tati** (Angola), **Suzi Barbosa** (Guiné-Bissau)

Discussant: **Maurício Conceição** (IEP PhD student)

**11.45-13.00 – The Great Books Society Panel (in Portuguese) [PSR]**

Host: **Miguel Monjardino** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speakers: IEP Students

Discussant: **Tomé Ribeiro Gomes** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon; Universidade da Beira Interior, Covilhã)

**13.15-14.15 – IEP Alumni Club Lunch** (*in Portuguese*) [ER]

Host: **Henrique Burnay** (Eupportunity, Brussels; IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speaker: **Miguel Monjardino** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

**14:30-16:00 – Os 50 Anos da Constituição da República Portuguesa** (*in Portuguese*) [PSR]

Host: **Miguel Morgado** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speakers: **Catarina Santos Botelho** (FD-Católica, Porto); **Gonçalo de Almeida Ribeiro** (FD-Católica, Lisbon); **Mário Pinto** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon); **José Manuel Fernandes** (Observador)

Discussant: **Simão Ribeiro** (IEP PhD student)

**16.00-16.15 – Break**

**16:15-17:45 – The Way of Democracy in Eastern Europe – focus on Georgia** [PSR]

Host: **Bernardo Ivo Cruz** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Speakers: **Ghia Nodia** (Director, International School of Caucasus Studies, Tbilisi), **Ketevan Chachava** (Center for Development and Democracy), **Zdzislaw Mach** (Dean of the Faculty of International and Political Studies, Jagiellonian University, Krakow)

Discussant: **Rodrigo Vaz** (IEP PhD student)

*17.45-18.45 – Meeting of the Transatlantic Working Group of the International Coalition for Democratic Renewal (by invitation only), chaired by Jakub Klepal (President, Forum2000, Prague)*

**19.00-20.00 – Garden Cocktail and Group Photo Session**

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**20.15-22.30 – IEP Gala Dinner**

**22.30 – Dancing with the Lisbon Swingers and AAIEP Awards**