

1- 3 June 2026

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

(Draft Programme)

Monday, June 1

15.00-16:00 – Opening session

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

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

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

André (Faculdade de Letras, Universidade de Lisboa), **Livia Franco** (IEP-Católica,

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

17.45-18.15 – Tea Break

18.15-19.45 – European Union: between the Atlantic and Western Europe

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; 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

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

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

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*)

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

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

Discussants: **IEP 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**

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), **David García**

Cantalapiedra (Complutense University, Instituto Franklin, US Foreign Policy Strategic Observatory); **TBA**

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

13:15-14:15 Buffet Lunch sponsored by KAS

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

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)

14.30- 15.45 – The Role of Diplomacy in the Rough New World

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)

15.45-16.00 – Break

16.00-17.15 – What ways to Peace in the Middle East?

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

Speaker: **Marina Pignatelli** (ICS, 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)

16.00-17.15 – Catholic Social Thought and Globalization

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 Vital Centre and the Euro-Atlantic Alliance of Values

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

Chair: **Lisa Bandari*** (HE, Ambassador of the United Kingdom)

Speaker: **Carlos Marques de Almeida** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon), **Guilherme D'Oliveira Martins** (Adviser, Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon), **Nuno Ennes** (President, International Churchill Society of Portugal), **Teresa de Sousa** (Público)

Discussant: **Daniela Nunes** (IEP PhD student)

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

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

Speaker: **Carmen Fonseca** (Director, IPRI, Universidade Nova de Lisboa), **Marcello 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*

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

20.30-22.30 – Jan Karski Memorial Dinner

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

10.00-11.30 – Europaeum Special Debate: Title TBA

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)

10.00-11.30 – CIEP Breakout Session – 250 years of the Declaration of Independence

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

Chair: **Ivone Moreira** (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*)

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*)

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*)

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

Speaker: **TBA**

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

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)

14:30-16:00 – The Way of Democracy in Eastern Europe – focus on Georgia

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)

16.00-16.15 – Break

16.15-17.15 – CLOSING PANEL

Host: **TBA** (IEP-Católica, Lisbon)

Keynote Speaker: **TBA**

Discussant: **TBA**

17.45-18.45 – Meeting of the Transatlantic Working Group of the International Coalition for Democratic Renewal (by invitation only)

18.45-20.15 – Garden Cocktail and Group Photo Session

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20.30-22.30 – IEP Gala Dinner

22.30 – Dancing with the Lisbon Swingers and AAIEP Awards