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CESSS - Centro de Estudos de Serviço Social e Sociologia  
FACULDADE DE CIÊNCIAS HUMANAS

International Seminar

Social Work Research:

Current experience & tendencies

First CESSS and Social Work PhD Program  
**RESEARCH MEETING**

**23 and 24 May 2008** | UCP | Lisbon | room 121 FCH

## Context and Objectives

This seminar takes place within the context of ongoing CESSS research and scientific activities and represents its first annual scientific meeting on social research and social work research.

The seminar is also held in partnership with the FCH PhD Social Work Program.

The focus of the seminar is the comparative analyses of developments and current tendencies in Social Work research, considering some of the most important international experiences in this field.

The objectives of the Seminar are:

- To provide, from a comparative perspective, up to date information on recent experiences and tendencies emerging in the field of social work research,
- To create the opportunity for debate and reflection among researchers, doctorate and post-graduate students in Social Work;
- To encourage reflection about the *state of art* in Social Work research in Portugal and the challenges and perspectives in this field.

## Addressees

- CESSS researchers and collaborators
- Students of the FCH / UCP PhD Social Work Program
- Social Work teachers and others persons interested in Social Work research (by invitation)

## PROGRAMME

23th May 2008

### 10.00 | **Opening Session**

Head of Faculty of Human Sciencies  
FCH Social Work Scientific Coordinator  
CESSS Coordinator

### 10.30 | **Social Work Research: Current experiences and tendencies in the USA**

Speaker: Ann Nichols-Casebolt, Society for the Advancement of Social Work Research - USA

11.30 | Coffee-break

### 12.00 | **Debate**

13.00 | Lunch

### 15.00 | **Social Work Research: Current experiences and tendencies in Canada**

Speaker: Adrienne Chambon, Faculty of Social Work - University of Toronto

16,00 | Coffee break

### 16,30 | **Debate**

24th May 2008

10.00 h | **Social Work Research: Current experiences and tendencies in Scandinavia**  
Speaker: Marjaana Seppanen, Vice-Chair of the Finnish Society for Social Work Research

11.00 h | Coffee break

11,30 h | **Social Work Research: Current experiences and tendencies in United Kingdom**  
Speaker: Sue White, Lancaster University; Chair of the Association of Professors of Social Work

12,30 h | **Debate**

13.30 h | Lunch

15.00 h | Table: **Social Work Research in Portugal: Paths and perspectives**

Speaker: Alcina Martins, CPIHTS

Speaker: Francisco Branco, CESSS – FCH / UCP

Chair person: Fernanda Rodrigues, UCP Social Work PhD Program

16.00 h | Coffee-break

16.30 h | **Debate**

17.30 h | **Closing Session**

Isabel Guerra, FCH Social Work Scientific Coordinator

**Working languages**

The working languages of the seminar will be Portuguese, English and French.

**Organization**

Research Center of Social Work and Sociology (CESSS)

Social Work PhD Program

**Support**

Faculty of Human Sciences | Portuguese Catholic University

Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia (FCT)

**Scientific  
Committee**

Francisco Branco, Fernanda Rodrigues, Isabel Guerra (CESSS and Social Work PhD Program)

**Organizing  
Committee**

Teresa Ramos, Inês Amaro (CESSS and FCH/UCP)

## CESSS Presentation

The **mission** of CESSS is the development of scientific knowledge in the Social Work and Sociology scientific realms.

CESSS also pursues the aim of production of relevant knowledge to the social development of Portuguese society and social professions, namely in relation to issues of social cohesion and inclusive society.

In this global framework the specific **objectives** of CESSS are:

- a. To conduct studies which contribute to the theoretical and methodological development of the Social Work, Sociology and Social Sciences in general;
- b. To promote the interdisciplinary debate on theories and methodologies of Social Sciences;
- c. To receive and support research-training fieldwork and post-PhD projects and contribute to research training in the areas of its activity, namely by the integration of master and PhD students in the research developed in the scope of the CESSS;
- d. To organize and to collaborate in the organization of congresses, symposiums, and of seminars and regular cycles of research and advanced education;
- e. To promote the scientific diffusion and edition in Social Work, Sociology and Social Sciences in general, in special of works carried out by its research activity;
- f. To provide qualified services and scientific counseling to the national and foreign entities that request it;

### **Group Research: Social Work and Society**

Principal Investigator: Francisco Branco

Keywords: Social Work History; Social Work Theory; Social Work Intervention; Social Work Profession

### **Group Name/Designation: Social Policies and Society**

Principal Investigator: Teresa Líbano Monteiro

Keywords: Social Policy; Welfare State; Social Economy; Informal and Family Solidarity

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C. Docentes ou investigadores em Serviço Social

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