



Strategic Program 2014 Brief Overview

Main tasks to achieve the DH-CII specific goals for 2014 through each one of its research lines:

“Habeas corpus”

The “Habeas corpus” researchers will continue to concentrate its activities in the specific field of immigration, asylum, legal status of foreigners, social rights, children and family rights.

In pursuit of the above this research unit will continue to follow the jurisprudence of the European Constitutional Courts and European Court of Human Rights, to publish conference proceedings, to publish papers in national and international scientific journals, to participate in national and international conferences and to organize scientific gatherings with the scope to bring these discussions to the civil society’s field.

Thus, in 2014, this research line aims to found a junior research group that will commit its work on the asylum and migration subjects and to publish those meeting’s results on the research centre’s website, to organize a workshop on the new Portuguese Asylum Law.

The Children and Family Rights will continue to deserve a special attention in 2014, namely throughout the publication of scientific articles, the presentation of communications and the organization of a seminar on these subjects.

The “Habeas Corpus” will also continue to focus in other human rights subjects, such as the State-building in Timor-Leste and the “Arab Spring” and constitutional transitions in the Mediterranean South. On this matters this research line will analyse different legal instruments approved since 2012 in Timor-Leste, as well as case-law of the higher courts.

Some of the researchers of this research centre will take part in current legal discussions, seminars, and conferences on this subject. Concerning the “Arab Spring”, this research centre will continue to develop the “Arab Spring’ and Human Rights” research project in which are foreseen the organization of a conference in order to present the results of this research project.

It is foreseen the presentation of the book “The Limits of Renunciation Fundamental Rights in Relations between Individuals” result of co-publication of the doctoral thesis of one of the researchers of this centre. The book will be presented in a Conference on “Social Rights/Fundamental Rights”.

In 2014 the “Habeas Corpus” research line will also focus in subjects such as the “Human Rights and Biomedicine” and “East/West Relations in the context of the social, cultural and legal globalization processes”. In pursue of this subjects this research line will, respectively, organize a permanent international workshop on these themes during the year of 2014, with the contribution of fellows from Asia, America and Europe, and organize a colloquium on the “Life’s Dominion: An Argument About Abortion, Euthanasia, and Individual Freedom” book 20th Anniversary. Proceedings containing the contributions of each participant at the conferences are foreseen to be published by this research centre.

In 2014, “Habeas Corpus” will cooperate with a Portuguese NGO, IPAV (Instituto Padre António Vieira) in a project that aims to promote the democratic values including human rights, minority rights and the fight against discrimination in vulnerable groups of boys and girls aged from 12 to 25 years old.

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"European Law, Liberties and Personal Data Protection"

The research line "European Law, Liberties and Personal Data Protection" will continue to devote special attention to the consecration of new fundamental rights following the implementation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and will continue to monitor and seek answers to new challenges posed by technology and communication advances, developing three specific projects: "Emerging Rights in the Global Order"; "Fundamental Rights and Intelligent Environments"; "Electronic Governance and Democracy".

In order to accomplish these goals, this research line will participate in several international scientific meetings, such as *IRIS 2014* at Universität Salzburg, *6th International Conference Information Law and Ethics* at University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece, *Cyberspace 2014* at Masarik University, Brno, and *JURIX – Legal Knowledge and Information Systems*. This research line foresees, also, to organize conferences at the University of Minho and to publish its conference proceedings, and to publish four articles in international scientific journals and three communications in conference proceedings books.

"Humanities and Criminal Juridical Sciences"

The DH-CII throughout its research line "Humanities and Criminal Juridical Sciences" will focus on the several subjects such as: "Law, Crime and Literature"; "Cultural Minorities and Intercultural Dialogue"; "Corruption, Justice and Democracy" research project; "Murderous and lethal violence".

In order to develop these subjects, this research line will organize an international colloquium on "Law, Crime and Literature", inviting foreign scholars on these subjects, such as Calvo Gonzalez, Lênio Streck and Vera Karam, and an interdisciplinary conference on the theme "Inclusive citizenship and cultural difference in Portugal". Proceedings containing the contributions of each participant at the conferences are foreseen to be published by this research centre.

Concerning the "Corruption, Justice and Democracy" research project, the Portuguese research team foresees to organize an international conference on that subject in October 2014. Scholars from Brazil and Corunna will be invited to participate in this conference in addition to the DH-CII researchers involved in this project. It is also expected the participation of two DH-CII researchers in an international conference on this subject organized by the Argentine team in Argentina, in May 2014.

Concerning the "Murderous and lethal violence" two-years research project (2014-2015), the research team committed to this project foresees, in 2014: to build a grid of variables: the perpetrator, the target and the crime; to develop of a database covering homicides signalled in the General Directorate of Probation and Prison Services.

Paper publications on these subjects in national and international journals, as well as participation in national and international conferences, are also foreseen.