# Innovation in a Research Driven University



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# TO SAY WHAT I AM GOING TO SAY

- ► A MESSAGE ABOUT U.PORTO
- PORTUGAL, THE NORTH REGION, PORTO, THE UNIVERSITY
- > A STRATEGY FOR THE THIRD MISSION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTO
- THE COMMITMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTO WITH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
- TO WRAP UP SUCCESS FACTORS AND FUTURE PLANS



- A comprehensive University whose genesis dates back to the XVIII century, born in a historical old City, Capital of the most industrialised Region of Portugal The North Region
- An University nationally at the top of all quality indicators, in all main interrelated areas of its mission:
  - **Education**
  - Research
  - Third Mission of Valorisation of Knowledge
- An university at the top of international cooperation in ERASMUS programmes for mobility of students, faculty and staff



# **But Equally:**

- An University fully committed to Society in Social Dimension and Social Responsibility
- An University fully committed to promoting Culture and Sports

# In All

An University consistently ranked between the 50-150 best universities in Europe, globally and in field specific evaluations



# THE MORE WESTERN COUNTRY OF THE EUROPEAN CONTINENT... AND THE OLDEST IN STABILITY OF BOUNDARIES





## FAVOURABLE MARKETS IN THE WORLD



### Northwest of Iberia

• 9 Million

# **Portugal**

• 10 Million

### Iberia

• 50 Million

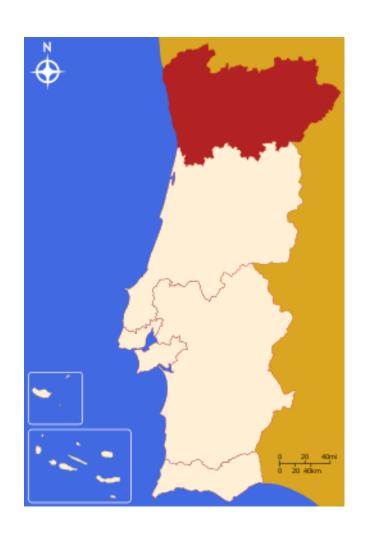
## **Europe**

• 500 Million

# **Portuguese Speaking Countries**

• 250 Million





3,7 million people

The most industrialized region of Portugal

1/3 of Portuguese GDP



### **COMPETITIVE INFRASTRUCTURES**



### Airport Francisco Sá Carneiro | Porto

- Excellent facilities
- ≈ 10,7 million passengers (2017)
- 74 destinations (2017)
- Awarded in 2017 as the Best Airport by ACI - Airports Council International in the category 5 to 15 million passengers

### Port of Leixões

- ≈ 19,5 million tons (2017)
- + 25% of external Portuguese trade
- New cruise terminal

A dense network of motorways, covering all the territory



# QUALIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES



# **Multilingual Population**

• ≈ 42% speak 2nd language

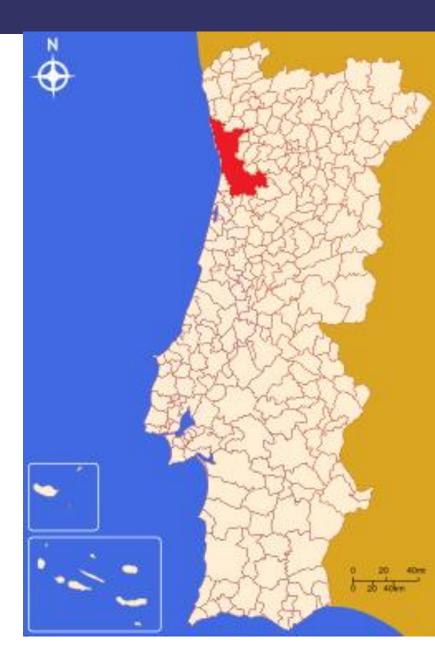
# **University + Polytechnics**

• ≈ 124.000 students





- Figures and Facts
  - 16 Municipalities
  - ~1.700.000 inhabitants
- Porto brands assets and attractions
  - Industry and trade
  - University of Porto
  - Architecture 2 Pritzker award winners
  - History and Culture
    - World Heritage Site
- Excellent internal mobility the light Metro System





# University of Porto - General Overview





# **U.Porto Constitutive Entities / Associated Entities**



- 14 Faculties
- 13 Interface Institutes, of which U.Porto is the main partner
- 1 Associated Business School association between the University and 33 major companies



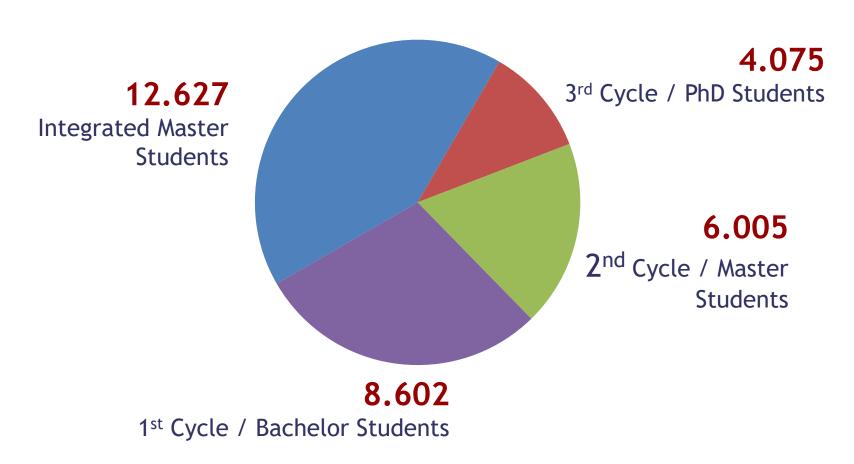
U.Porto - The Academic Associate of a Business School

THE PORTO BUSINESS SCHOOL



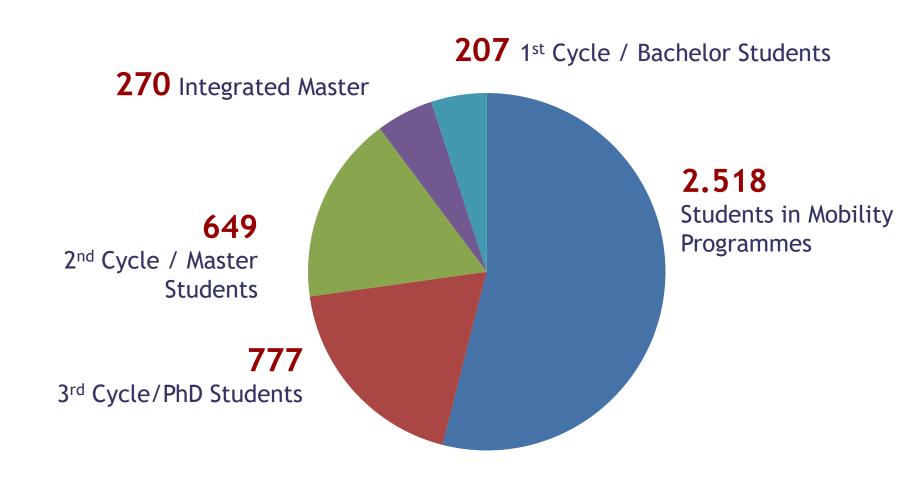
### A UNIVERSITY OF EUROPEAN DIMENSION

**32.236 Students**, 14% of which are international (2016/17)



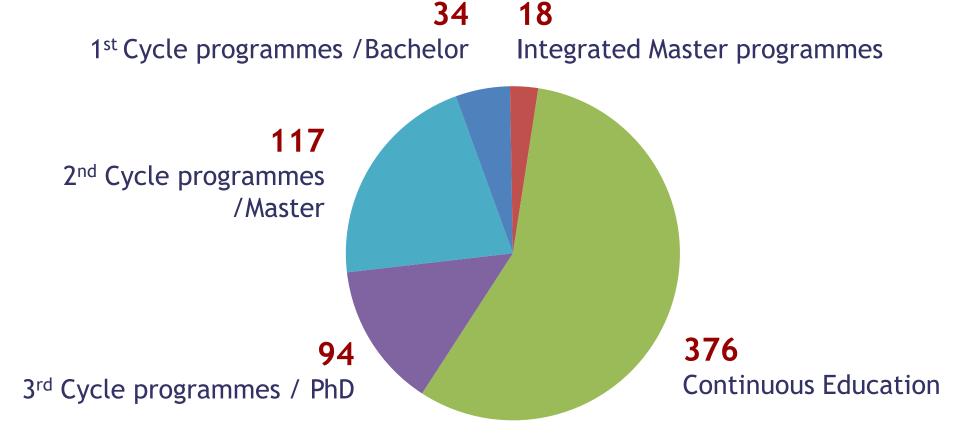


# 4.421 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (2016/17) (14% TOTAL)

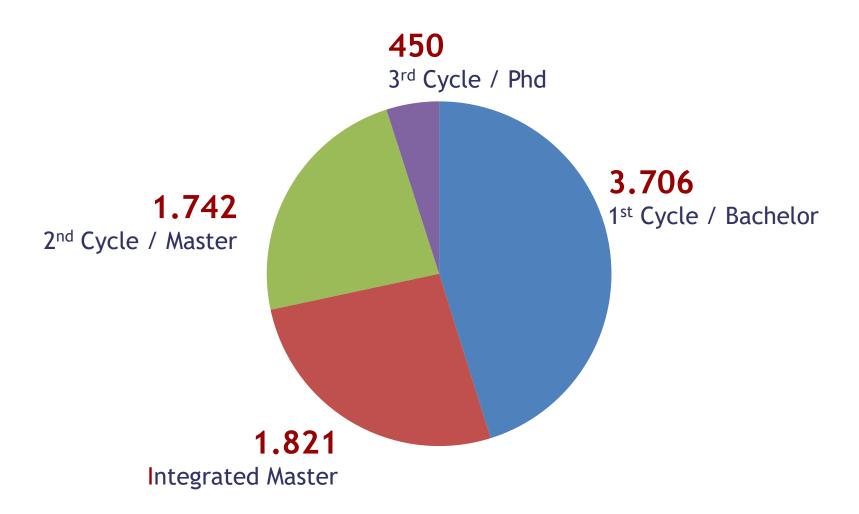




# 639 TRAINING PROGRAMMES (2016/17)



# **7.719 GRADUATES,** 401 International (2015/16)







2.436

1.789

89%

1.576

272 M€

Teaching staff and researchers (Dec. 31st 2017)

Full Time Equivalent (FTE)

Teaching staff and researchers (FTE) with PhD

Technical and Administrative staff

Annual consolidated budget (2016)



49 R&D Units, with more than 3000 researchers, working both

in the Faculties

Or

in Interface Institutes





# A top producer of Science in Portugal

- 18 812 Papers indexed in the ISI Web of Science (2011-2015)
- 23,4% of the papers produced in Portugal



# University of Porto The Third Mission Challenges and Strategy



# Challenges

To create value based on knowledge

To create employment opportunities for the students



# Our Strategy

to foster the creation of technology based companies and creative business and attract innovation centers









# Education Research Knowledge Capacitation Promotion of New Ventures Ventures



The Innovation Office

The Park of Science and Technology









# UPin Technologies

Protect and commercialize intellectual property

# **UPin Ventures**

Promote the creation and acceleration of spin-offs

# **UPin** Corporate

Foster close relationships with industry





**December 31, 2017** 

400+ patents since 2004

243 active patents

25 active licensed technologies







8 editions

1000+ participants

15 spin-offs created







30+ sessions

1000+ researchers involved































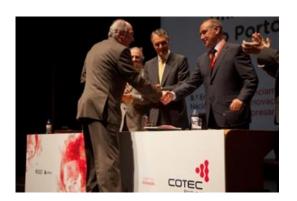








COTEC - Award "Valorization of
Knowledge and
Promotion of
Entrepreneurship"



2012



Portugal Ventures -Distinguished as "Partner of the Year"

2014

2007



COTEC - Award "Promotion of Entrepreeneurship"

2013



COTEC - Honorable
Mention Award "Best
Reference
Cooperation
UniversityCompanies"





# Science and Technology Park





# Science and Technology Park - UPTEC









30.000 square meters









# Business Projects (December 31, 2017)

**181 Projects** 

119 Start-ups (66%)

21 Anchor Companies (12%)

41 Innovation Centres (22%)

Plus

64 Graduate Companies

Domains of activity

**67% TEC Companies** 

**12% BIOTEC Companies** 

**15% CREATIVE INDUSTRIES** 

6% SEA related subjects business



- 2400+ Highly qualified direct jobs
- 5000+ direct and indirect jobs
- > 100 M€ of Salaries
- ➤ 185+ M€/y Contribution to the GDP
- > 39,5 M€ Tax Revenue
- Export to 36 Countries of all 5 Continents













# **Start-ups**









# **Innovation Centres**













# **Award for Smart Growth**





# **UPTEC** as a successful European Case Study

The European Commission presents UPTEC as a case of success in applying European Funds to promote employment and growth









# CONNECT | SHARE | GROW

businessandinnovation.net

Founded by the University of Porto, together with the University of S. Paulo and the University of Sheffield

BIN@ is an international network of engaged academic and industry partners, supporting the creation of a sustainable forum for sharing good practice and opportunities in Innovation.







# BIN@ ANNUAL EVENTS 2010 - 2014











# "When I think about Porto, I think about Innovation..."

Violeta Bulc, EU Commissioner for Transport, addressing the public at BIN@Porto, 2/11/2015



### A CONCERTED EFFORT TO EXPAND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

- University networks with Latin America through Universia
  Network
- University networks with Asia ASEF, The ASIA-Europe Foundation, a non-profit intergovernmental organization funded by the 53 members of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Process.
- University networks with Asia ASIA UNINET European and South-East Asian universities with the goal of promoting the continuous internationalisation of education and research. Consists today of more than 70 universities from 16 countries.



# **U.PORTO IN THE ERASMUS+ 2017 PROGRAM**

**6 COORDINATIONS** 

19 PARTNERSHIPS

5 Continents

~91 Countries

> 822 Institutions Involved

> 1500 Awarded Scholarships (220 for non EU countries)

> 13,5 M € Millions of euros in Total

> 5,8 M € Millions of euros Managed by U.Porto





# Institutional Award for Innovation in Internationalisation

Prize awarded by the Executive Committee of the European Association for International Education (EAIE) in 2016 (Liverpool, United Kingdom)

# So, Success Factors and Future Plans

- Strategic Location
- Good Infrastructures
- Qualified Human Resources
- A strong University, at the top of international cooperation
- A very appealing City
- TO HAVE POLITICAL WILL AND A STRATEGY FOR INNOVATION
- For the future
  - Consolidation of international networking through the ERA
  - Consolidation of national networking with companies and municipalities
  - THE OBJECTIVE OF SUSTAINED GROWTH



# A University and a City of Science and Innovation

# **A VERY ATTRACTIVE DESTINATION**



Many Thanks for your Attention Come and visit Porto, Network with U.Porto