

# The European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy

Key priorities for youth policies answers on  
**Better Understanding of Youth**



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# **1 Structures and actors that play a role in gaining a greater understanding and knowledge of young people**

## **1.1 Departments in universities dealing with youth issues**

In the framework of youth policies the research has been done since 1986, by Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa in cooperation with the Youth Secretary of State through agreements and protocols. The protocol Observatório Permanente da Juventude Portuguesa between Instituto Português da Juventude and Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa has been in force since 2002. The observatory has a General Coordinator. The studies Programme of OPJ has the following research areas: sociological studies, (gathering, classification, updating and analysis of statistical data from Portuguese official sources; National inquiries (on practises, values and attitudes of young population) and Monographic studies (on specific youth problems) The protocol terminated in the 1st semester of 2005.

## **1.2 Major public and semi-public bodies dealing with youth issues**

### **1.2.1 National public and semi-public bodies dealing with youth issues**

The national public body dealing specifically with youth issues is Instituto Português da Juventude. The semi-public bodies in this area are: Fundação para a Divulgação das Tecnologias de Informação (private and public funds) Movijovem (private and public funds) and Conselho Consultivo da Juventude (composed by young people from youth organisations and public managers).

### **1.2.2 Local public and semi-public bodies dealing with youth issues**

The Instituto Português da Juventude also operates at a regional level through its 18th regional delegations. The autonomous regions of Azores and Madeira have their own public bodies at a regional level: Instituto de Juventude da Madeira and Direcção Regional de Juventude, Emprego e Formação Profissional dos Açores. The FDTI (Fundação para a Divulgação das Tecnologias de Informação) also operates regionally through its 18th delegations; concerning Movijovem it holds the youth hostels all over the country that serve young people in mobility.

## **1.3 NGOs dealing with youth issues**

Fundação da Juventude ANJE - Ass. Nacional de Jovens Empresários Instituto de Solidariedade e Cooperação Universitária Movimento Católico de Estudantes Intercultural - Ass. para uma Formação Sócio - Educativa Movimento Juventude Nova Ass. Guias de Portugal Ass. Internacional de Estudantes de Agricultura Equipas de Jovens de Nossa Senhora Ass. Portuguesa de Aprendizagem Intercultural UPAJE - União p/ a Acção Cult. e Juvenil Educativa Ass. dos Jovens Agricultores de Portugal Ass. dos Escoteiros de Portugal Ass. Juvemédia Ass. Juvenil de



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Ciência Ass. Juvenil Olho Vivo Ass. para a Promoção Cultural da Criança Clube Português de Artes e Ideias Corpo Nacional de Escutas Grupo de Estudos de Ordenamento do Território e Ambiente Juventude Agrária e Rural Católica Juventude Musical Portuguesa Juventude Operária Católica

### **1.4 Statistic offices that collect statistics on youth**

Portugal has a national institute responsible for national statistics (Instituto nacional de Estatística). The youth sector is, in this context, one among several other sectors. There is no public statistic office dealing exclusively with youth data.

### **1.5 Youth researchers or experts**

The investigators involved in OPJ studies are among : José Machado Pais, researcher at Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa (ICS/UL) and invited teacher at the Instituto Superior de Ciências do Trabalho e da Empresa (ISCTE); Manuel Villaverde Cabral, researcher at ICS/UL; Pedro Moura Ferreira, researcher at ICS/UL; Vítor Sérgio Ferreira, researcher at ICS/UL; Rui Telmo Gomes, researcher at Observatório das Actividades Culturais; Jorge Vala, teacher at Social and organizations psychology Department at ISCTE and invited researcher at ICS/UL; Diniz Lopes, Teacher at Social and organizations psychology Department at ISCTE; Maria de Lourdes Lima dos Santos, researcher at ICS/UL and Chairperson of Observatório das Actividades Culturais (OAC); João Sedas Nunes, teacher at Faculdade de Ciências Sociais e Humanas da Universidade Nova de Lisboa (FCSH/UNL); João Ferreira de Almeida, Patrícia Ávila, José Luís Casanova, António Firmino da Costa e Fernando Luís Machado, teachers at ISCTE and researchers at the Centro de Investigação e Estudos de Sociologia (CIES/ISCTE); Susana da Cruz e Rosário Mauritti researchers at CIES/ISCTE.

### **1.6 Private companies dealing with youth issues**

The Fundação da Juventude/"Portuguese Young Foundation" achieves its purpose to carry out of support initiatives aiming at promoting the integration of young people in adult and professional life, and youth-related social and cultural activities, through, among several others, studies on youth issues. Projects/Iniciatives, taking place , on the field of youth research: Curso de Pós-Graduação: Juventude- Novos Contextos e Intervenções/Post-graduate course: Youth new Context and Intervention Fundação da Juventude/Youth Foundation Address: Casa da Companhia Rua das Flores, 69 4050-265 Porto Tel: 22 3393530 Fax: 22 3393544 e-mail: geral@fjuventude.pt

### **1.7 Others dealing with youth issues**

Among the several NGO#s dealing with youth issues we choose 3 of the mains: 1.#Forum Estudante# # The name is associated to an important NGO, #Grupo Forum#. They publish several documents addressed to youngsters in general, namely in the education field. Each year they publish several manuals and monthly a national magazine with wide spread at national level:#Forum Estudante#. 2.National Youth Council # Among other publications, they publish JUVENILIA Magazine, which reports several information/studies about the youngsters and thematic areas, like citizenship, culture, statistics among others. 3.Corpo Nacional de



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Escutas/National Scouts Body # One of the most important National Youth NOG#s, they also operate as publishers. One of their publications is #Flor de Lis#. It#s a monthly magazine that reports information about youth activities in the Scouts area, pedagogic information about travelling, citizenship, leadership, projects management, etc.

### **1.8 New structures and actors that have been set up this year**

No new structures and actors have been set up this year.

## **2 Legal basis**

### **2.1 Legal basis or guidelines facilitating activities leading to a better understanding of youth**

The OPJ (Portuguese Youth Permanent Observatory) is based on a Protocol from 2002 till 2006, between Instituto Português da Juventude and Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa. ICS is entitled to execute the studies programme and IPJ must pay an allowance of 357.087# .

### **2.2 New Developments that have taken place this year?**

No new developments have taken place this year.

## **3 Funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better understanding of youth**

### **3.1 International funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better knowledge of youth**

No data available.

### **3.2 EU funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better knowledge and understanding of youth**

A straight answer should point out to 0 funds, once there was no study brought forward. Nevertheless, taking in account the whole Action 5 - having in mind, almost all the actions are meant to reinforce the Youth's knowledge / understanding ( what is reflected in the reports) - shall we call for a total fund amount of 1.700,76 million Euros , accordingly to the following sub-items values:2000#156.927,90 #;2001#229.096,66 #;2002-258.449,74 #;2003-261.472,63 #;2004#392.435,69 #;2005-402.378,00 #.

### **3.3 National funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better knowledge and understanding of youth**



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### 3.3.1 Public national funding

The budget for OPJ (Portuguese Observatory for Youth) studies Programme was 357.078 # for 2002-2006.

### 3.3.2 Private national funding

No data available.

### 3.4 Other funding

No data available.

### 3.5 Actor(s)/structure(s) mainly receiving funding

Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa (ICS).

### 3.6 New developments that have taken place this year

No new developments have taken place this year.

## 4 Paper publications disseminating knowledge about the youth field

### 4.1 Figures for paper publications disseminating knowledge about the youth field

No data available

### 4.2 Regular youth reports

No data available.

### 4.3 Journals that publish youth research

No data available.

### 4.4 Reviews on youth research

There are no specific revues exclusively on youth research. However, some of the most important reviews from sociological and psychological fields (among others), publish articles about youth. That is the case of Análise Social (Social Analysis): Published since 1963, it is the oldest Portuguese magazine on social sciences, covering several aspects of the social Portuguese reality from history and anthropology until sociology and political science. Issued every three months. Name of publishers: ICS of UL. Some core topics: #Adolescence in modern society#, #Social condition of Portuguese youth#, #Portuguese youth and religion: global characterization#, #Change, values, and generation gap in Portugal#, #Political participation of youth in Portugal#, #Youth employment and social changes: old thesis, new ways of life#, #Youth opinion on family and marriage#, #Social aspirations of adolescents#, #Leisure time and youth sociability#, #Youth:



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family, money, autonomy#.

#### 4.5 Other publications

The latest studies edited by OPJ (Portuguese Observatory for Youth) in 2003 are: #Diversidade na Universidade- Um Inquérito aos estudantes de Licenciatura", coordinated by João Ferreira de Almeida; #Simetrias e Identidades - Jovens Negros em Portugal", organized by Jorge Vala; "O Mundo da Arte Jovem - Protagonistas, Lugares e Lógicas de Acção", coordinated by Maria de Lurdes Lima dos Santos; "Conduitas de Risco, Práticas Culturais e Atitudes perante o Corpo # Resultados de um Inquérito aos Jovens Portugueses", coordinated by José Machado Pais e Manuel Villaverde Cabral. Studies to be published in 2005: #Associativismo Juvenil e Cidadania Política# # quality study on the social conditioning of youth participation and # Expectativas de Carreira: ser futebolista como sonho#. Studies to be published in 2006: #Expressões Radicais do Corpo em Contextos Juvenis#.

#### 4.6 What new support has been developed this year?

No data available

### 5 IT dissemination of knowledge in the youth field

#### 5.1 Databases

No data available.

#### 5.2 Portals

Portal da Juventude/Youth Portal # <http://juventude.gov.pt> # it is up-dated whenever necessary. The contents of themes and institutional areas are revised and if needed up-dated every two months. Portal do Cidadão/Citizen`s portal # <http://www.portaldocidadao.pt> # it is up-dated whenever needed and revised annually

#### 5.3 Statistics, reports, journals, reviews or other publications available on the internet

No data available.

#### 5.4 What new tools have been developed this year?

The Youth Portal project is being implemented until 2007. It results from the work done during the year 2004: #Launching of the second version of the Portal #Consolidation of contents; #Search motor implementation; #Implementation of the trading platform in the area: MeuJuventude. In 2005 priority will be given to: regional contents, implementing of quality requirements, FAQs and to the launching of the contact centre for youth area.

### 6 Methods and approaches for gaining a greater



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## understanding and knowledge of youth

No answers available

## 7 Methods developed for keeping knowledge updated and coherent

No answers available

## 8 Methods for ensuring and assessing quality of knowledge in the youth field

No answers available

## 9 Promotion of youth researchers and their generational renewal and other actors who work towards a better knowledge of youth

No answers available

## 10 Comparing results

### 10.1 Methods to exploit and compare results of activities carried out for a better knowledge and understanding of youth

N/A

### 10.2 Methods that have been developed this year?

No new methods have been developed this year.

## 11 Methods to ensure exchanges and dialogue between all actors in the youth field

### 11.1 Seminars, working groups for a better knowledge and understanding of youth

Title of seminar or group	Frequency	Date & place of next meeting	Contact
OPJ(Portuguese Observatory for Youth) Group: Conference to	N/A <i>per year</i>	By the end of 2005.	Instituto Português da Juventude/Portuguese Youth Institute

Title of seminar or group	Frequency	Date & place of next meeting	Contact
promote the 2 studies published in 2005 (Q.4.5)			
N/A	N/A <i>per year</i>	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A <i>per year</i>	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A <i>per year</i>	N/A	N/A

**11.2 Permanent national networks for developing a greater knowledge of youth that link all actors in the field (policy makers, researchers, young people and their organisations, NGOs)**

N/A

**11.2.1 Functioning and support of permanent national network**

N/A

**11.2.2 The strategy for creating a permanent national network if one does not exist (i.e. setting up a working group on the issue, organising exchange of good practice on the issue, developing the network taking as starting point national correspondents for knowledge centre, creating a virtual national community linking actors, #)**

N/A

**11.2.3 The plans for this year**

N/A

**11.3 Other networks in the youth field**

**11.3.1 Transnational networks**

N/A

**11.3.2 Local and regional networks**

N/A

**11.3.3 Networks specific to certain actors**

N/A

**11.3.4 New developments planned this year**



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N/A

## 12 Transsectoral dialogue

### 12.1 Organisation and promotion of transsectoral dialogue for example between university departments and governmental departments (e.g. seminars, working groups, common advisory structures#)

The OPJ (Portuguese Youth Permanent Observatory) is based on a Protocol between Instituto Português da Juventude (a governmental department) and Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa (an university).

### 12.2 New developments planned this year.

N/A