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## Individual Scientific Employment Stimulus Competition (CEEC)

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We are delighted to announce that several CITAB researchers have been awarded grants in the 7th edition of CEEC, promoted by the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT).



Keep reading on our website!

# CRUSOE Network's Working Group

CITAB is involved in coordinating the CRUSOE Network's Working Group on Ecological Transition and Global Change. The first plenary working session of this group took place in Spain.

## IUCN World Conservation Congress

Edna Cabecinha is one of the editors of the book "Applying the IUCN Global Standard for Nature-based Solutions™: 21 case studies from around the globe".

The launch was in Abu Dhabi.

### <u>State of Wildfires</u> <u>Report 2024 - 2025</u>

Paulo Fernandes was the coordinator of the European panel for this Report and it unites world-leading experts from more than 60 institutes across 20 countries.





#### HARVESTING KNOWLEDGE #10

With guest **Elisabete Gonçalves**, who has a **PhD** in **Veterinary Sciences**, specialising in **Biomedical Sciences**, from UTAD, and researcher at CITAB.



# EIT FOOD CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT LABS MEETING

The **HEARTchest Project** brings **together** the **partners** of EIT Food Consumer Engagement Labs!

Find out more about the <u>HEARTchest Project</u> and the **innovative products** being **developed**.



#### VII ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WASTELESS PROJECT ♥

The project coordinator, **Ana Barros**, and **Pedro Couto** attended this meeting.

Logroño (Spain)

# SUSTAINABLE AGRIFOOD PRODUCTION 2025!

#### 8th edition of the Seminar series

In this session, the usual two PhD student papers were presented:

Beatriz Fernandes from GreenUPorto (U.Porto), with "Mitigating Copper Toxicity in Vineyard Soils Using Mussel Shell and Pine Bark Amendments";

Cristina Aires from CITAB (UTAD), discussed the topic: "Wineries Microbiome and Microbiota: What We (Un)know?";

The Inov4Agro Guest Researcher was **Cristina Aires** (GreenUPorto). The theme of her presentation was: "Algal Residues as Biostimulants - Green Gold or Marine Waste?".





## Get to know...

## **★** PEDRO COUTO

"In my scientific career, I have embraced an interdisciplinary path that bridges electrical engineering and agriculture. My early work in computer vision and digital image processing, applied across diverse domains, provided a solid foundation in advanced data analysis and technological innovation.

My overarching goal is to improve production efficiency, enhance crop resilience, and reduce the environmental impact of the agri-food sector."

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### Learn about the work of our integrated members.



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"During more than 20 years of dedication at UTAD, I had the privilege of coordinating three laboratories in the area of ecological sustainability.

In 2021, with the integration into the Laboratory of Fluvial and Terrestrial Ecology (LEFT), this trajectory was consolidated, totalling more than 100 projects executed, involving more than 30 different entities, both public and private, and positioning CITAB/UTAD at the forefront of university knowledge transfer in these fields, not only at the regional but also national level."

Learn more <u>here!</u>



# **Opinion Articles:**









# Press/Media/Clipping:



#### "UGLY FRUIT, BEAUTIFUL IDEAS" WORKSHOP

The Biochemistry Student Group organised a workshop led by Ana Barros: "Ugly fruit, beautiful ideas: How to turn by-products into value", at the Phytochemicals Laboratory.

FReview here.



# IV DOURO CONFERENCE

<u>João Carrola</u>, a researcher at our centre, was present at the Casa das Videiras Environmental Education Centre in Lousada, where he reflected on the impact of environmental education on the health of nature and people.

👉 Take a look <u>here</u>.



### A VOZ DE TRÁS-OS-MONTES NEWSPAPER

The National Association of Pharmacies (ANF) organised the Conference Cycle "Pharmacy and Community: 50 years of construction", in which Ana Barros was the guest speaker.

F See here.



# ISUP-AGRO PROJECT

The project focuses on intensive networking activities through close collaboration with two leading agricultural research institutes from Italy and Spain, as well as a specialized innovation company from Portugal.

Find out here.



#### ECONUTRI PROJECT IN THE PRESS

**ECONUTRI Project Annual Meeting** featured in the national press!

FRead here.