

6th Interdisciplinary Symposium on Public Procurement

LISBON, PORTUGAL | 18 - 19 September 2025

September 18, 2025

8:30 Conference Registration and Welcome Coffee

9:00 Opening Speeches

José António Vizinha Mirones, Vice-Admiral, Commander of the Military University Institute (IUM)

Fernando Miguel dos Santos Batista, President of the Institute of Public Markets, Real Estate and Construction (IMPIC)

Gustavo Piga, Professor of the University of Rome Tor Vergata

9:15 Keynote Speeches

Pedro Marchão Marques – Counsellor of the Supreme Administrative Court of Portugal

Giuseppe Busia, President of Italian National Anticorruption Authority (ANAC)

THEME 1: PROFESSIONALIZATION IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

Chair: Luís Valadares Tavares, University of Lusíada

10:00 Debaters

Jessica Tillipman, The George Washington University Law School

Paola Valbonesi, University of Padua

11:00 Selected Papers

Sabrina Comotto, National University of San Martin

“Public Procurement Professionalization in Latin America: Exploring the Role of Argentinian Universities”

Audinga Baltrunaite and **Sauro Mocetti**, Bank of Italy

“Administrative Capacity in Public Procurement: Evidence and Mechanisms”

12:00 Q&A Session

13:00 Lunch and Group Photo

THEME 2: DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

Chair: Isabel Rosa, Institute of Public Markets, Real Estate and Construction (IMPIC)

14:00 Debaters

Manuel García, Bank of Spain

Désirée Klingler, University of St. Gallen

15:00 Selected Papers

Geo Quinot, Stellenbosch University

“Public Procurement Integrity at the Digital Frontier: Discarding Outdated Tools and Embracing Innovation”

Nicola Dimitri, University of Siena

“Public Procurement: Blockchain and Competition”

16:00 Q&A Session

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THEME 3: THE CASE FOR A NEW EU PUBLIC PROCUREMENT DIRECTIVE

Chair: Tünde Tátrai, Corvinus University of Budapest

10:00 **Debaters**

Roberto Caranta, University of Turin

Stéphane Saussier, IAE Paris - Sorbonne Business School

11:00 **Selected Papers**

Pedro Telles, Copenhagen Business School

"From Directives to a Regulation: a Necessary Step towards Addressing Cross-Border Barriers and Integrating Public Procurement in the Single Market"

Gabriella Racca, University of Turin, **Daniel Schoeni**, U.S. Air Force, **Christopher Yukins**, The George Washington University

"CICA Competition - Advancing Procurement for Innovation under the European Union's Procurement Directives – Lessons Learned from the U.S. Competition in Contracting Act"

12:00 **Q&A Session**

13:00 **Lunch**

THEME 4: PROTECTIONISM AND PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

Chair: Annalisa Castelli, University of Cassino and Southern Lazio

14:00 **Debaters**

Laurence Folliot-Lalliot, University of Paris Nanterre

Paulo Magina, OECD

15:00 **Selected Papers**

Jaroslav Kola, Adam Mickiewicz University

"Local Content Requirements in Public Procurement: Strategic Use of Public Procurement or a New Form of Protectionism?"

Jean Heilman Grier, Djaqhe LLC

"Use of Reciprocity to Protect Public Procurement"

16:00 **Q&A Session**

17:00 **Closing Remarks**