



Portugal's Belt & Road Think Thank



## NSRF Newsletter

NEW SILK ROAD FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

### Events NSRF

From Jan 2020 to Dec 2020

#### **Merit Award for Intercultural Relations Portugal-China 2019.**

On January 24, the Chinese New Year Gala was held at the Casino of *Póvoa do Varzim*, and the NSRF Association received the Merit Prize for Intercultural Relations Portugal-China 2019 that was attributed by the Merit and Recognition Council of the League of Chinese in Portugal.



#### ***"The Chinese Belt and Road: Challenges and Opportunities" Lecture.***

On January 23, the lecture "*The Chinese Belt and Road: Challenges and Opportunities*" was held at the Lusophone University of Porto (ULP), which included the participation of Professor Fernanda Ilhéu, Professor Paulo Duarte and Dr Rui Pereira.



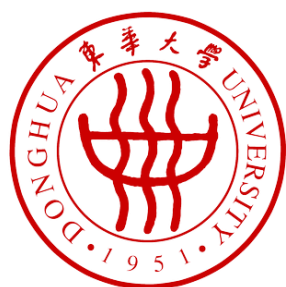
## ***“The New Silk Road and the Portuguese Speaking Countries in the New World Context” book presentation at Ordem dos Economistas, Lisbon.***

On February 19, the book *"The New Silk Road and the Portuguese Speaking Countries in the New World Context"* was presented at *Ordem dos Economistas* in Lisbon. The book was edited by the NSRF Association in partnership with the International Institute of Macau (IIM) and coordinated by Professors Fernanda Ilhéu, Francisco Leandro and Paulo Duarte.



## **Cooperation Protocol between NSRF Association and Shanghai Donghua University.**

On May 29, the NSRF Association signed a cooperation protocol with Shanghai Donghua University for cooperation in the development of a Nanomedicine Research Center, a project promoted by our Associate Professor João Rodrigues of the Madeira University.



## **NSRF Association Network Lunch – “The Port of Sines - Development Perspectives”.**

On September 18, at the Macao Scientific and Cultural Center (MSCC), the 1<sup>st</sup> Network Lunch of the NSRF Association was held, which had Eng.<sup>o</sup> José Luís Cacho – President of Sines Port – as guest speaker who made an excellent presentation about the Port of Sines development plans and its importance for the development of the Portuguese economy.



## **Cooperation Protocol between NSRF Association and Jorge Álvares Foundation.**

On September 18, at the MSCC, the NSRF Vice-President Architect Leonor Janeiro signed the cooperation protocol with Jorge Álvares Foundation, represented by its President General Garcia Leandro.



## **Cooperation Protocol between NSRF Association and Macao Scientific and Cultural Center.**

On September 18, at the MSCC, the NSRF President Professor Fernanda Ilhéu signed the cooperation protocol with Macao Scientific and Cultural Center, represented by its President Professor Cármen Mendes.





## ***“Strategic Vision for Portugal - The Internationalization of the Portuguese Economy and Asia” Conference.***

On October 8, at Lisbon School of Economics and Management (ISEG), NSRF Association organized, in partnership with CEsa of ISEG and with the support of the Jorge Álvares Foundation, the Conference “Strategic Vision for Portugal - The Internationalization of the Portuguese Economy and Asia” which the guest speaker was Professor António Costa e Silva. In representation of CEsa we had its President Professor António Mendonça and ISEGs President Professor Clara Raposo. Due to the Covid-19 security rules, physical presence was limited, however, online presence was a possibility.



## ***“The New Maritime Silk Road and the Importance of Macau in Connecting to the Portuguese Speaking World” Conference.***

On October 15, Professor Fernanda Ilhéu was the speaker of “The New Maritime Silk Road and the Importance of Macau in Connecting to the Portuguese Speaking World” Conference, integrated in the set of lectures *Rota Xacobeo and Rota da Seda* organized by IGADI - Galician Institute of Analysis and Documentation.



## ***“Cross Culture Management Portugal-China” Conference.***

On November 6, the NSRF Association co-organized with ISEG the Conference “*Cross Culture Management Portugal-China*” which took place at ISEGs *Caixa Geral de Depósitos* Auditorium. The conference was physical and online, through Zoom Colibri platform, and was sponsored by the Jorge Álvares Foundation and the support from the Science and Technology Foundation.



## **Cooperation Protocol between NSRF Association and Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the Lusophone University of Porto.**

On November 26, the President of NSRF, Professor Fernanda Ilhéu, signed the cooperation protocol with the Faculty of Political Science Law of Lusophone University of Porto.

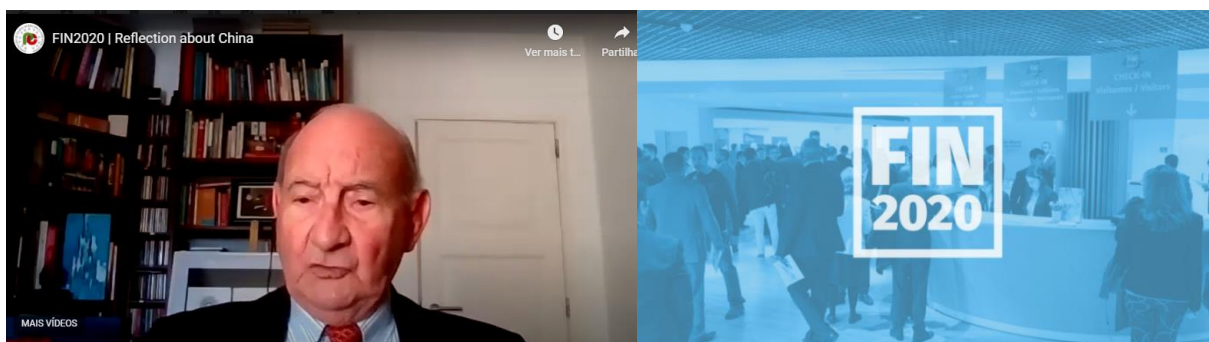
## **“The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Maritime Silk Road and the Importance of Macau in Connecting to the World of the Portuguese Language” Conference.**

On November 26, the NSRF President, Professor Fernanda Ilhéu, participated in the conference “The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Maritime Silk Route and the Importance of Macau in Connecting to the World of the Portuguese Language”, a conference by initiative of Professor Paulo Duarte and organized by the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the Lusophone University of Porto.



## **Feira Internacional de Negócios (FIN) 2020.**

On November 27, the NSRF Association participated on FIN 2020 and was represented by Ambassador José Duarte Jesus, who gave an excellent reflection on globalization, China in Africa, and Portugal-China relations, focusing on the importance of Macau in this relationship but also the current Chinese foreign policy and the importance of Portugal, the Portuguese Speaking Countries and the Macau Special Administrative Region in the New Maritime Silk Road and in the Greater Bay Area.





## **“The New Silk Road, resilience and cooperation, in addition to ideological differences” Conference.**

On December 11, Professor Fernanda Ilhéu was speaker on “The New Silk Road, resilience and cooperation, in addition to ideological differences” Conference, integrated in the 2020 Conference Cycle of the Portuguese Prospective Association.



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