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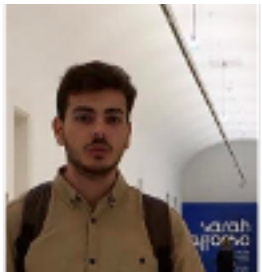

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Curriculum

Tomás is an archaeologist (FCSH-UNL), with a MSc. in Cultural Heritage Management (ISCTE-IUL), mainly focusing on cultural public policies.
At the moment, he's a PhD candidate funded by FCT, working on a project regarding immovable cultural heritage risk assessment. The intent of this investigation is to create a management resource, that contributes to the mitigation and identification of threats posed to Portuguese cultural heritage integrity and authenticity. Furthermore, it is expected that this investigation contributes to the understanding of potential benefits of a participatory approach to cultural heritage preservation and valorization.
Tomás research interests are centered around cultural heritage, specifically, but not limited to, immovable cultural heritage. Tomás focuses on management resources and processes, assets at risk and mitigation solutions. Additionally, research interests include the legislative and governance paradigms of the cultural sector.

Research Interests

Cultural Heritage

Cultural Public Policies

Safeguard and Valorization of Cultural Heritage
Cultural Heritage Management
Cultural Heritage at Risk

Academic Qualifications

University/Institution	Type	Degree	Period
ISCTE-Instituto Universitario de Lisboa	PhD	Arquitetura dos Territórios Metropolitanos Contemporâneos	2026
ISCTE-Instituto Universitario de Lisboa	M.Sc.	Estudos e Gestão da Cultura	2021
Universidade Nova de Lisboa - Faculdade de Ciencias Sociais e Humanas	Licenciate	Arqueologia	2019

Teaching Activities

Teaching Year	Sem.	Course Name	Degree(s)	Coord.
2025/2026	1º	Visualisation and Digital Tools	Master Degree in Conservation and Sustainable Rehabilitation; Post Graduation Program in Conservation and Sustainable Rehabilitation;	No

Publications

• Books and Book Chapters

- Book chapter

1	Genin, Soraya M., Maatallah, Y. & Mesquita, T. (2024). Álvaro Siza's works at risk facing the impact of climate change on coastal and river banks. In Soraya Monteiro Genin, Teresa Cunha Ferreira, MAriana Correia (Ed.), Siza Atlas. Filling the gaps for World Heritage. Lisboa: ISCTE.
2	Domingues, L., Cimadomo, G., , Mesquita, T. & GENIN, Soraya (2024). The Technological Challenges of SizaAtlas: CIDOC-CRM and Arches as Standardization Tools for Heritage Data Management. In Siza Atlas. Filling the gaps for World Heritage.

• Conferences/Workshops and Talks

- Publication in conference proceedings

1	Genin, S., Pinto, P. & Mesquita, T. (2023). Construção participativa: O programa Saal e as habitações sociais de Álvaro Siza. In Lourenço, P. B., Maia, C., Melo, A. S., and Vale, C. P. do. (Ed.), Atas do 4º Congresso Internacional de História da Construção Luso-Brasileira (4th CIHCLB) . (pp. 693-704). Guimarães, Portugal: Universidade do Minho.

- Talk

1	Genin, Soraya M., Mesquita, T. & Domingues, L. (2024). Documentation of cultural heritage: Methodology for a collaborative a.platform SizaAtlas . International conference Venice Charter [Re]Framed: New Heritage Challenges .
2	Genin, Soraya M., Pinto, P. & Mesquita, T. (2023). Construção participativa. O programa Saal e as habitações sociais de Álvaro Siza. 4CIHCLB – 4º Congresso Internacional de História da Construção Luso-Brasileira.

• Other Publications

- Non-peer-reviewed papers

1	Mesquita, T. (2023). A natureza político-administrativa do Património em Portugal. Revista Pedra & Cal. 75

- Master's Dissertation

1	Mesquita, T. (2021). Políticas públicas da cultura: Estudo-caso do património cultural na administração pública.

Research Projects

Project Title	Role in Project	Partners	Period
Siza ATLAS: filling the gaps for World Heritage	Researcher	ISTAR-Iscte (DLS) - Leader, IT-Iscte, DINAMIA'CET-Iscte, FAUP - (Portugal), ESG - (Portugal)	2021 - 2023