

with brain, neurological or physical disease with cognitive losses.

Helena Lima- Director, Creation Laboratory for Health Literacy (LACLIS) Specialty: Health information and and communication, training of profession groups in citizen empowerment.

Pedro Neto- Director, Architecture, Art, Image and Innovation Lab (AAI2Lab) Specialty: Architecture and Spatial Planning, especially at the intersection between Cultural Policy and Public Space; Art and Image.

Sergio Nunes – Director, Media Innovation Labs (MIL) Specialty: design and curricular programming, Digital Humanities, online journalism, pop up institutes.

Maria Pinto – Director, Competences and New Media applied to the Heritage (eheritage.lab) Specialty: Development of U.OpenLab prototype, a dynamic and scalable technological platform.

Teresa Romão - NOVALINCS - Multimodal Systems Research Group Specialty: Multimodal and natural computer interaction, Tools for healthcare, creative and media industry.

Open Institute 2

M-ITI and the University of Texas at Austin (TIPI) will host the Open Institute V2, "Open in a Time of Closure," in Madeira, Portugal. This conference seeks to explore these themes with an emphasis on extreme or agonistic approaches to free/open practices. It is the follow-on to the [original Open](#)



[Institute in Austin](#), in 2015 -- already another era. Bringing expert analysts and practitioners from several vectors of Open (Open Knowledge, Open Science and Technology, Open Borders, etc.), it combines hands-on workshops and activities with world-class keynotes. Lectures will be public and open to the Madeiran community, while workshops will be available to students in the Digital Media program at Porto, FCT/Nova, Austin, and M-ITI.

Applications for students were requested and have been received! A number of lucky students will receive all all-paid for expense trip to Madeira and will report back through their blogs and the

upcoming brown bag lunch in January 2018.

For more information contact [Cecilia Garrec](#) or visit our [website](#).

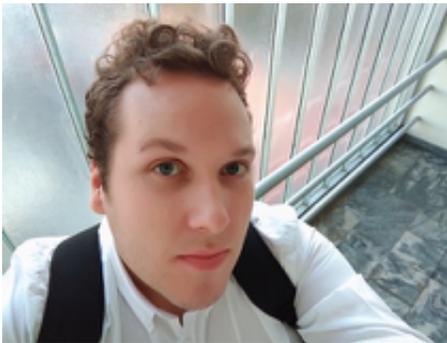


Doctoral Symposium 2017

This year's Doctoral Symposium had as its Keynote speaker, **Doreen Lorenzo**, newly installed head of the UT Design Institute, who spoke about the importance of Thinking About Design in everything that relates to good

decision making. She attracted over 30 students and their professors. At the symposium, students had the opportunity to present their research, answer questions and ask for feedback.

Visiting Scholars and Exploratory Researchers



Hernâni Zão, from the University of Porto accompanied the Portuguese delegation during the Write, Research and Collaborate meeting held from October 2-5, 2017. He works in the LACLIS – Creative Laboratory for Health Literacy with his thesis entitled "Health Literacy: A proposal of a network intervention for the public health challenge in Portugal." His research interests have as a goal, to respond to specific needs of different target populations, incorporating the various outcomes into professionals' practices that play a central role in the production and/or dissemination of health information.

Fernando Catarino, from Lusófona University received a 4 month grant in September 2017 enabling him to come to UT to work with Dr. Mike Mackert within the framework of FLAD Grant Scheme. As the science manager in the Centre for Research in Applied Communication, Culture, and New Technologies (CICANT) he has a full and deep overview of all researchers, main research areas and dynamics, as well as priorities areas of intervention for the future. He is working on the project



"Improving Prenatal Health Communication: Engaging Men via e- Health" with Mike Mackert. Fernando has additionally been an active participant in the TIPI Brown Bag Series.

Next semester arrivals

If you are a visiting scholar requiring planning to stay for more than 3 months, please be aware that due to delays in processing of J-1 and other visas, you will now need to submit your paperwork into the TIPI office *at least 3 months in advance* of your presumed arrival in Austin.

For more information on becoming a visiting scholar, please click [here](#).

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