

# Communication and citizen participation in the politics of energy and climate change

End of award conference of the project

COMPOLIS – Communication and Political Engagement with Environmental Issues

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#### SOCIUS – ISEG (University of Lisbon), 12 November 2014

9:30 - Registration

9:45 – Welcome and project presentation Anabela Carvalho and Sofia Bento

### Mediations of energy and climate change: Paving the way for public engagement?

10:00 – De/politicization and climate change Pieter Maeseele, University of Antwerp, Belgium

10:30 – The missing public in news discourses on environmental risks Annika Egan Sjölander, Umeå University, Sweden Anna Maria Jönsson, Södertörn University, Sweden

11:00 – Media coverage of policy plans undergoing public consultation: Promoting or hindering public participation?
Eunice Seixas, University of Minho, Portugal
Anabela Carvalho, University of Minho, Portugal
Zara Pinto-Coelho, University of Minho, Portugal
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11:30 - Coffee break

# Official discourses and public participation: Moving towards inclusive governance or delimiting power and authority?

12:00 – Environmental impact assessment and public participation: Playing with a full deck or trumping local discourses?

David Sumares, University of Aveiro, Portugal

12:30 – Listening to citizens or enacting power? The discursive work of public consultation documents on energy policies
Zara Pinto-Coelho, University of Minho, Portugal
Eunice Seixas, University of Minho, Portugal
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## Citizen views on the politics of public participation: Disenchantment, hope or something else?

14:00 – The Spanish public and climate change: Between individual responses and political participation

Miguel Vicente, University of Valladolid, Spain Mónica Arto, University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain RESCLIMA project

14:30 – Voices and ears: Participation processes in coastal areas Luísa Schmidt, University of Lisbon, Portugal Ana Delicado, University of Lisbon, Portugal CHANGE project

15:00 – Citizens' experiences of participation opportunities in an energy project Anabela Carvalho, University of Minho, Portugal Eunice Seixas, University of Minho, Portugal Maria Fernandes-Jesus, University of Minho, Portugal COMPOLIS project

15:30 - Coffee break

## Social movements addressing energy and climate change challenges: Any signs of a political renewal?

16:00 – The Transition movement: Reinventing citizens' roles in the politics of energy and climate change?

Maria Fernandes-Jesus, University of Minho, Portugal Anabela Carvalho, University of Minho, Portugal Lúcia Fernandes, University of Lisbon, Portugal Sofia Bento, University of Lisbon, Portugal COMPOLIS project

16:30 – Transitions in Convergence: A grassroots innovation case study of adaptation to desertification and draught
Inês Campos, University of Lisbon, Portugal
Mónica Truninger, University of Lisbon, Portugal
Gil-Penha Lopes, University of Lisbon, Portugal
André Vizinho, University of Lisbon, Portugal
BASE project

### **Closing session**

17:30 - Concluding remarks and final discussion Anabela Carvalho, Sofia Bento and Lúcia Fernandes