EDGE by NOVA IMS

High Level Forum on the Future of Higher Education

More than 50 institutions – from universities to research centers, public agencies, and private partners – gathered at NOVA IMS for the High Level Forum "Shaping the Future of Higher Education: Challenges and Opportunities." The discussion focused on EDGE – Educational Design for a Global Experience, NOVA IMS's framework for reimagining education through pedagogical innovation, learning spaces, and learning analytics.

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Discover our new EDGE strategy

O Jornal Económico

RTP 2

Jornal Económico reported on EDGE, NOVA IMS's new educational model that brings together innovation, technology, and people. As part of it, the Bridge Room was introduced as a pioneering hybrid learning space in Portugal.

A new vision of classrooms that rethink education through technology, design, and human connection - as shared by Professors Miguel de Castro Neto and Fernando Bação in RTP2's 'Conversas Abertas na Universidade.'

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

Manuela Aparício appointed Pro-Rector at NOVA University Lisbon

Professor Manuela Aparício, former Associate Dean for Education at NOVA IMS, has been appointed Pro-Rector for Pedagogical Innovation at NOVA University Lisbon. In this new role, she will oversee initiatives to promote innovation and digital transformation in teaching and learning across the university.
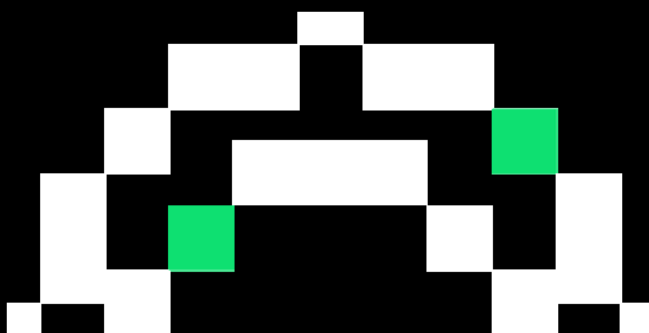
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NOVA IMS and NYU join forces to advance AI-driven governance

The AI-Driven Local Governance program, developed by NOVA IMS through its NOVA Cidade – Urban Analytics Lab, in partnership with The Governance Lab at New York University, has been selected for funding under the FLAD UP – Higher Education 2025/2026 Program. Designed for senior local government leaders, the program combines a hybrid learning component in Portugal with an immersive week in New York, exploring how data and AI can drive smarter, more inclusive, and sustainable governance.

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TEDxNOVA 2025 explores "The Edge of Possible"

NOVA IMS welcomed TEDxNOVA, organized by students of Universidade NOVA de Lisboa, under the theme "The Edge of Possible." The independently organized TEDx event was run by students from Universidade NOVA de Lisboa and brought together speakers from across science, technology and society. From NOVA IMS, Miguel de Castro Neto and Guilherme Victorino shared perspectives on measurable learning impact and co-creation between students and faculty.

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GeoMundus gathers geospatial experts from around the world

The 17th edition of GeoMundus, the international geospatial conference organized by students of the Erasmus Mundus MSc in Geospatial Technologies, brought together over a hundred participants from around the world under the theme "Geospatial Technologies for Smart Cities." Hosted at NOVA IMS, the event featured experts from academia, industry, NGOs, and the public sector, along with keynotes, peer-reviewed papers, posters, and the Map+ Challenge, showcasing how geospatial innovation is shaping smarter and more sustainable cities.

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Building Global Bridges

NOVA IMS welcomed a delegation from the University of Seoul to celebrate a new mobility agreement that will strengthen student and faculty exchange between institutions, fostering collaboration and academic growth.

As part of the SUPERNOVA Foundation Programme, school counselors from Morocco, the United States, Kazakhstan, and Central Asia visited NOVA IMS to explore undergraduate programs and strengthen global academic connections.

Elections open for student representatives at NOVA IMS Pedagogical Council

The electoral process to choose undergraduate, master's, and PhD student representatives for the NOVA IMS Pedagogical Council is now open.

Applications are being accepted until November 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., and all students enrolled in the respective study cycles are eligible to apply.

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Visionary Data Projects at NOVA IMS

Estrela for Happiness

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— NOW OPEN —

IMS Ignite

The IMS Ignite Program, a four-month entrepreneurship acceleration initiative designed to turn ideas into real projects, is accepting applications.

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Santander Scholarship

Applications are now open for the Santander University Support Scholarships, which provide financial aid to promote equal access to higher education.

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A Foundever study, developed with the Innovation & Analytics Lab at NOVA IMS, shows that Portuguese consumers value genuine, human-centered service over speed or automation.

PCGUIA

Developed at the NOVA Blockchain Lab, the Communitas project uses blockchain to enable peer-to-peer energy exchange and promote collaborative renewable energy communities.

SAPO

Scientifically led by NOVA IMS, the City4Climate project brings together Portuguese cities to use Digital Twins in supporting data-driven decisions and accelerating climate action.

ECO

At a conference on the Sintra-Cascais Natural Park, Miguel de Castro Neto, Dean of NOVA IMS, stressed the role of data and AI in achieving sustainable tourism management.

SAVE THE DATE

Seminar: IA for The Rest of Us

5th November

Phaedra Boinodiris, Global Leader for Trustworthy AI at IBM Consulting, leads an interactive talk on how culture, diversity, and critical thinking shape Artificial Intelligence. **Find out more.**

FORGe Hackathon | Hack the Future

7th - 8th November

Part of Lisbon AI Week and organized by NOVAe, this 24-hour challenge brings together Portugal's top tech students to transform ideas into innovation. **Find out more**

Blockchain Confluence

17th November

The satellite event of the IEEE DLT Conference in Pune, India, takes place in Lisbon and brings together academics and industry leaders to explore real-world blockchain innovations. **Find out more**

UNIGIS Talks | Digital Twins for Urban Analytics

26th November

This session explores how Digital Twins are revolutionizing urban analytics, improving the way cities are planned, managed and experienced through real-time data integration. **Find out more**
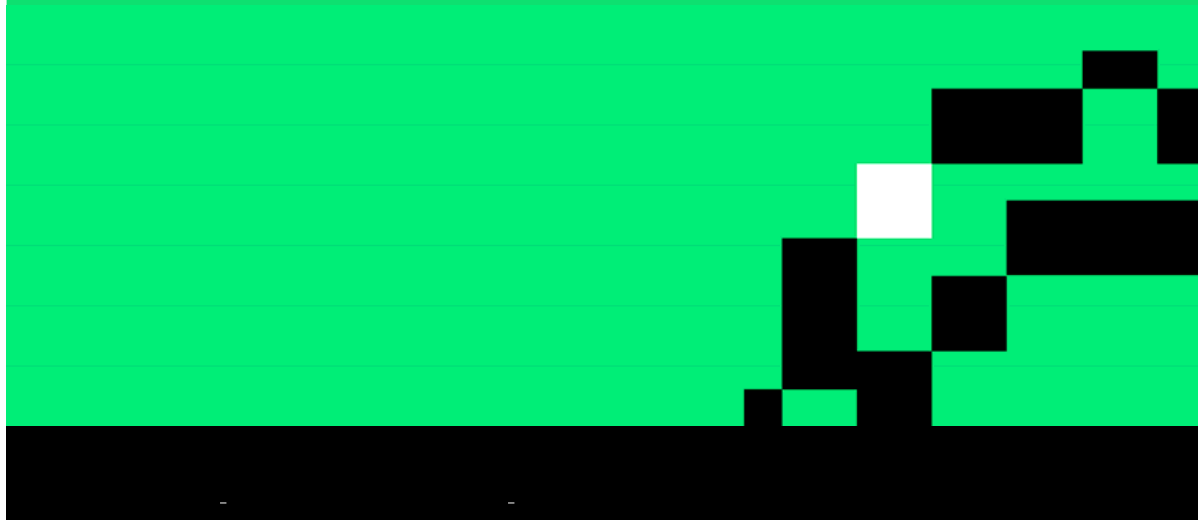
ALUMNI Talk: Tips for a Successful Thesis

26th November

A roundtable where alumni and faculty share insights and strategies that help students prepare a strong and successful thesis. **Find out more**

Graduation Ceremony 2025

28th November

A moment that honors and celebrates NOVA IMS students and faculty, highlighting their talent, dedication, and academic excellence.. **Find out more**

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