

External personalities - General Board Members - 2021-2025 Term

Name and brief CV summary	Photograph
<p>Dr. Afaf Ibrahim Meleis is a Professor of Nursing and Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, where she was the Margaret Bond Simon Dean of Nursing and Director of the School's WHO Collaborating Center for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership from 2002 through 2014. This followed her 34-year tenure as a Professor at the University of California, San Francisco and Los Angeles.</p> <p>Dr. Meleis is an internationally renowned nurse scientist and medical sociologist. Over the course of 5 decades her scholarly contributions have informed generations of nurses around the world and influenced their education, practice and research programs. Her writings and research have advanced knowledge in global health, women's health, culturally competent practice, interprofessional education and the epistemological analysis of the discipline of nursing. Much of her life's work has been dedicated to uncovering the experiences and the voices of vulnerable women who are burdened by societal inequities, multiplicity of roles, differential compensation and rewards, and the gender divide. She used this knowledge to redefine women's work and contributions and to develop Transitions Theory, which is used globally and is translated into policy, research and evidence-based practice.</p> <p>Dr. Meleis is the author of more than 200 articles published in peer reviewed, interdisciplinary and international journals. She is also the author of 50 chapters, 7 books, and numerous monographs, proceedings and policy papers. Her books continue to be used nationally and internationally, chief among them, <i>Transitions Theory: Middle Range and Situation Specific Theories in Research and Practice</i> and several editions of the groundbreaking <i>Theoretical Nursing: Development and Progress</i>, with a 6th edition expected to be published in 2017. Her co-edited book, <i>"Women's Health and the World's Cities"</i>, innovatively examines the relationship between global urbanization and women's health and is just one example of her far-reaching research, as it was widely disseminated through international networks, conferences and launches, which in turn inspired collaboration and change.</p> <p>A reflection of the international impact of Dr. Meleis' work is evident in her world-wide (in over 40 countries) consultations, invited keynotes and mentorship of hundreds of students, faculty, clinicians and administrators. Her leadership in the International Council on Women's Health Issues played a central role in inspiring scholarship in women's health and in bringing together world leaders to form partnerships to improve the lives of women. Her leadership is also evident in the many boards and committees she actively participates in, including her role as a board member of Aga Khan University and a board member of The Buck Institute for Research on Aging. She is a member of the National Academy of Medicine, where she co-chaired its Global Forum on Innovation in Health Professional Education, as well as a board member of The Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation Faculty Scholars</p>	

<p>program. She co-chaired the Harvard-Penn-Lancet Commission on Women and Health, the results of which were published in a full Lancet issue in 2015 was on Women's and Family Health, which will provided USA Administration and Congress with a road map, the spectrum of issues that impact the health of women and families globally.</p> <p>Dr. Meleis is the recipient of numerous honors and awards, as well as honorary professorships and doctorates. Among them is, a Doctorate of Medicine from Linköping University, Sweden; a Doctor Honoris Causa from the University of Alicante, Spain; the distinguished Honorary Citizenship of Oporto, Portugal and the Princes Award from Thailand. In 2015 she received the American Academy of Nursing Living Legend Award and the Sigma Theta Tau International Nell J. Watts Lifetime Achievement in Nursing Award, and she was inducted as an Honorary Fellow in the National League for Nursing's Academy of Nursing Education. Most recently, she was admitted to Women's Hall of Fame in Marin County, California. She received the University of California San Francisco Chancellor's Award and was named by Carnegie Corporation as one of the great immigrants.</p> <p>Dr. Meleis graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Alexandria (1961), earned an M.S. in nursing (1964), an M.A. in sociology (1966) and a Ph.D. in medical and social psychology (1968) from the University of California, Los Angeles.</p>	
<p>Áurea da Cruz Flamino Andrade</p> <p>Executive Member of the Board of Directors, and Nurse Administrator of the Coimbra Hospital and University Centre since May 15th, 2017.</p> <p>Bachelor's Degree in Nursing, Nursing School of Higher Education Bissaya Barreto.</p> <p>Postgraduate Specialization Degree in Medical-Surgical Nursing, Nursing School of Higher Education Dr. Ângelo da Fonseca.</p> <p>Postgraduate Degree in Health Services Management, Nursing School of Higher Education Dr. Ângelo da Fonseca.</p> <p>Top Management Program for Healthcare Institutions (PADIS), AESE Business School, Coimbra.</p>	
<p>Catarina Isabel Neno Resende de Oliveira</p> <p>Medical Degree, Ph.D. in Medicine, Full Professor <i>Emerita</i> of the University of Coimbra.</p> <p>Coordinator of the CNC.IBILI Institution (Consortium of the Centre for Neuroscience and Cell Biology and the Institute for Biomedical Imaging and Life Sciences).</p> <p>"Estímulo à Excelência" Award from the Foundation for Science and Technology in 2006.</p> <p>"Verdades de Faria" Award in Aging from the Santa Casa de Misericórdia of Lisbon in 2008.</p> <p>Order of Public Instruction awarded by the President of the Republic in 2015.</p> <p>Member of the ESEnC General Board during the last Term.</p>	

Maria Augusta Purificação Rodrigues de Sousa

Registered nurse; Member of the Board of Directors of the “ Fundação para a Saúde – SNS.”

Member of the commission responsible for creating the Regulation of Professional Nursing Practice (REPE) and one of the people responsible for the further development of nursing as a profession and its integration into higher education in 1988.

Member of the group responsible for creating the Portuguese Nursing and Midwifery Regulator between 1998 and 1999, having served as its Vice-President during the first President’s term, Maria Diniz de Sousa, and as President from 2003 to 2011.

Gold Medal of the Portuguese Ministry of Health in 2012.

Member of the ESEnC General Board for two terms.



Maria Odete dos Santos Isabel

Bachelor’s Degree in Pharmacy from the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Porto.

Started her professional career at the Civil Hospitals of Lisbon as a hospital pharmacist.

Coordinated and directed the pharmaceutical area of the Northern Hospital Area, Coimbra Hospital and University Centre (CHUC).

Retired as Director of the CHUC Pharmaceutical Services in 2010.

Received the Gold Medal for Distinguished Services from the Ministry of Health by the Minister of Health Ana Jorge.

The first woman elected President of a Municipal Council in Portugal (1976-Mealhada).

Distinguished by the Intermunicipal Community of the Coimbra Region (CIM-RC) for her contribution to building Portuguese democracy in 2016.

Received the “Pegadas – Deixe a sua Marca no Percurso da Farmácia Hospitalar” Award from the Portuguese Pharmaceutical Society in 2020.

Leader of the “Odete Isabel” Movement, one of the first independent movements created in Portugal in 2001, aimed at political intervention outside political parties, now a cultural association.

As an active citizen of Coimbra, Odete Isabel represents citizens’ perspectives on health needs.



Paulo Jorge Marques dos Santos

Executive Director of the Pedro Nunes Incubator. Degree in Economics from the University of Coimbra (1998), specialization in Financing and Investment Projects from the same institution (2004). He started his career in 1998-1999 as a junior consultant in investment projects and some Portuguese programs for the competitiveness of SMEs, working for local and national development entities in the Coimbra region.

In 2001 he assumed the Executive Direction of Instituto Pedro Nunes Business Incubator, where his main responsibilities and tasks are: general coordination of the Business Incubator activities and staff; consultancy, providing support and assessment services to entrepreneurs in the fields of general management and business planning; Provision of brokerage services in order to promote the cooperation between incubated companies and the



<p>different research groups and departments of the University of Coimbra; general promotion of the activities of the Business Incubator; coordination of training courses in the fields of entrepreneurship, business planning, etc.; support in the management of national and EU R&D projects. In July 2008 he also took over as Director of Business Development and Internationalization at Crioestaminal – Saúde e Tecnologia, S.A., a very successful start-up created by the IPN-Business Incubator.</p> <p>Expertise: Business Management and Development; Strategic and Business Planning; Entrepreneurship.</p>	
<p>Rosa Maria dos Reis Marques Furtado de Oliveira</p> <p>Bachelor’s Degree in Law, area of Legal and Economic Sciences, from the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra (1978).</p> <p>Postgraduate degree in Hospital Administration from the National School of Public Health.</p> <p>Held middle management positions at the Coimbra University Hospital, Cantanhede District Hospital, and at the Coimbra Hospital and University Centre;</p> <p>First-class Hospital Administrator of the Coimbra Hospital and University Centre.</p> <p>Vice-President of the Municipal Council of Coimbra; Chair of the Board of Directors of the Municipal Transportation Services of Coimbra; Chair of the Board of Directors of the Coimbra Hospital Centre; Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the Regional Health Administration of the Centre; Member of the Executive Board, and later Board of Directors, of the Regional Health Administration of the Centre; Managing Director in the Board of Directors of the Coimbra Hospital Centre; Chair of ARS Centro, S.A.</p>	