Instituto Politécnico de Santarém/ Santarém Polytechnic University From Santarém to the World!

Since 45 years the Polytechnic Institute of Santarém, a public Higher Education Institution, graduates qualified professionals within the areas of Agricultural Sciences, Education, Management, Nursing and Sport Sciences.

Located in the beautiful cities of Santarém and Rio Maior (Sport Sciences School), washed by the river Tejo, at only 50 minutes away from Lisbon and provided with excellent communication feeds, it becomes famous through its historical patrimony and traditional gastronomy festival which normally takes place in the first two weeks of October.

The major concern in Polytechnic Institute of Santarém is to raise leading and self-sufficient professionals, qualified within their professional scope, as well as dedicated people with ethic and deontological professional principles. The human values are the basis to a good citizenship and IPSantarém encourages and supports its academic initiatives in educational, cultural, sportive and leisure activities.

We offer students a good working environment and infrastructures endowed with equipment in order to assist their studying; furthermore, students can also enjoy good spaces for sports practice.

We are used to welcome students in erasmus mobility either for studies or internships as well as staff from all over the world. The ACE2EU partners are invited to take part in this exchange activities as well as to create new ones. We usually organize internacional staff weeks on a yearly base, we organize BIPs addressed both to students and staff and we plan to organize more of these in special cooperation with ACE2EU partners, finding subjects that can accommodate the interests of us both. We are also able to welcome teachers for a teaching assignment and staff for Job shadowing.

As part of its strategic development, IPSantarém has strengthened its research capacity by establishing six Research Units registered with the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT). These units include: CERNAS, focusing on agriculture, environment and rural development; CIAC, specializing in digital literacy and inclusion; CIDESD, dedicated to sports science research; CIEQV, studying quality of life and well-being; RISE-Health, conducting transnational health research; and SPRINT, advancing research in sport, physical activity and health promotion. All units are currently under FCT evaluation and work collaboratively to address societal challenges while promoting regional development.

The role of IPSantarém in ACE2EU is the management and governance of the Alliance, our role is to establish governance structures; create a shared management team; promote and organize the annual Assembly meetings and start to think about a long-term sustainability strategy, furthermore we are committed in also being an energizer for all the work groups and foster the cooperation between our selves and the other Alliance members and also to promote the spirit of one for all and all for each other.

Places to stay in Santarém:

Santarém Hotel (a 5 minute walk to the IPSantarém) <u>Página Inicial - Santarém Hotel Site Oficial - Melhor Tarifa Garantida</u>

Hostel N1 <u>N1 Hostel Apartments & Suites em Santarém - Site Oficial.</u> (good option) 15 minute walk to IPSantarem

Hotel UMU Hotel Umu

A Casa Brava (through Booking)

Hotel Vitória em Santarém (R. Segundo Visc. de Santarém 21, Santarém Telefone: 243 309 130)