

DESTINATION | VILA DE LUSO - PORTUGAL

As far as we know, the birth certificate of Luso is dated 1064, collected an inventory of towns and places of Vouga and Mondego, Vacariça belongings of the monastery, where it refers, among others, the "town of Luso, who fuitte Abba Noguram cum su word ecclesia Sancti Thomas", but Mount Buzaca nests where it is already referenced in 919. From Buzzaco, Buzaca Buzacco or the first post is found in the place of a donation made by Gondelim Gundezindo and other Lorrão the monastery in the year 919, which says that ualles their cum ... discurrunt mount Buzaca (Portuguese historical monument).

In the original parish Vacariça Luso turns off in 1834 when the execution of the charters of the Third, and remained independent until the present day. Land of water, forest, pasture and corn fields, it was from the mid eighteenth century that the virtues of the precious liquid being born of an eye with plenty of hot water were advertised. Then as now, below the current source S. John breaks the hot spring at a temperature of 27 degrees. In 1837, alluded to in the local five wooden barracks that the Board of Mealhada replaced by a brick house, the following year.

The excellence of water purity and the therapeutic properties covering a range of applications in bulk renal treatments, rheumatism, hypertension, respiratory or stress in the city, channelled to the Luso large number of bathers, a phenomenon that triggered an accelerated growth of the small village, which was not unrelated to the action of a journalist, minister and counsellor, Emidio Navarro resources people to local development. The main avenue boasts a statue to honour him dating from 1917.

In the fountain of St. John, or eleven taps, there is a chapel dedicated to St. John Evangelist dated from the XVIII century with a small statue of the saint, in wood.

Vila de Luso is located in the centre of the country, served by excellent access, whether on the Lisbon-Porto axis and on the axis Figueira da Foz-Vilar Formoso.

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VILA DE LUSO PORTUGAL

26th TO 31st MARCH 2017

DEAR COLLEAGUES



As Chairman of the 2nd **International Multidisciplinary Conference on Mineral Waters: Genesis, Exploitation, Protection and Valorisation – MinWat2017** and Senior Researcher at CERENA (Centre for Natural Resources and Environment, Instituto Superior Técnico, University of Lisbon, Portugal), it is my great pleasure to invite all the members of the "Mineral and Thermal Waters World Community", whatever your field of expertise, to attend the **MinWat2017 Conference**, to be held in **Luso Spa, Central Portugal, from 26th to 31st March 2017**.

The 1st International Multidisciplinary Conference on Mineral Waters: Genesis, Exploitation, Protection and Valorisation – MinWat2014 was convened during September 2014 in Karlovy Vary (Czech Republic), with the colleagues Zbyněk Hrkal, Karel Kovar and Tomáš Vylita as the main organizers, which were the "engine" to promote the development of such an "easy-going" Conference format attracting professionals on/from:

- i. Hydrogeology, Hydrogeochemistry, Isotope Hydrology, etc.;
- ii. Distribution of bottled mineral waters;
- iii. Use mineral and thermal waters as a tool for diversified diseases and their prevention;
- iv. Local, regional, national, European, etc. Administrations.

Three years later, the proposed destination and the facilities currently available and those to be developed prior to the start of MinWat2017 will provide one of the richest environments that the "Mineral and Thermal Waters World Community" will ever have experienced - people - friendly "mineral and thermal water places" that you will never forget. The focus on new developments and new perspectives on the above mentioned R&D fields will be the main objectives of this Event.

I am sure that all those involved in organizing the 2nd International Multidisciplinary Conference on Mineral Waters: Genesis, Exploitation, Protection and Valorisation – MinWat2017 will do their absolute best to ensure that your time with us will be special. So, on behalf of the Local Organizing Committee, please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and productive Conference.

Yours sincerely,

José Manuel Marques

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Chairman of the MinWat 2017 Conference
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SCOPE AND TOPICS

The MinWat 2017 Conference will represent an exceptional opportunity to update knowledge about each MinWat core investigation activity, among Earth Scientists from National and International Institutions who have already been involved in R&D Projects focused on related MinWat research.

The three main scientific topics of the Conference will be:

- A. Hydrogeology, hydrogeochemistry and hydrogeophysics – Origin, protection and management of mineral and thermal waters**
- B. Bottled water – Key characteristics and market trends**
- C. Mineral and thermal waters – Health issues, balneology, balneotherapy and balneotechnics**

KEY DATES

Abstract Submission Opens:	30 th May 2016
Abstract Submission Closes:	6 th January 2017 (FINAL OPPORTUNITY)
Abstract Revision:	7 th to 15 th January 2017
Abstract Author's Notification:	15 th to 20 th January 2017
Early Registration Deadline:	27 th January 2017
Regular Registration Deadline:	19 th March 2017

LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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