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General Information

Name of Research Unit: (HIS-LVT-749)
Instituto de Estudos Medievais

Coordinator: Maria de Lurdes Pereira Rosa

Main Scientific Domain: História

Other Subdomains: n/a

Host Institutions

Leading Host Institution: Faculdade de Ciências Sociais e Humanas - Universidade Nova de Lisboa

Other Institutions Involved:

Objectives & Achievements

Unit Description

The Institute for Medieval Studies (Instituto de Estudos Medievais - IEM) is a research unit within the Faculty of Social and Human Sciences (Faculdade de Ciências Sociais e Humanas) of the Universidade Nova de Lisboa. It comes directly under the Faculty's Academic Council (Conselho Científico).

The IEM has a Consultive board, formed by the Ph.D researchers, among whom are chosen, by votation, the President and the Secretary. These last two persons form the Direction. The Direction and the board of consultants meet regularly every 1,5 month, managing the general activities of the group and helping to coordinate the activities of the different research groups.

The unit is composed by 37 integrated members and 25 collaborators. 14 among the integrated members are Ph.D's. It has 5 active research groups: Medieval poetry and prose ; Medieval Images; Historiography on Medieval Portugal; Nobility, urban elites and military orders; History of Medieval Lisbon.

General Objectives

Ever since its foundation the main objective of IEM is to undertake interdisciplinary research within the area of Medieval Studies and to this end it has brought together a group of senior and junior researchers from a variety of fields (History, History of Art, Culture and Literature). It aims to stay informed about and maintain a dialogue with other projects that focus on research and information dissemination of topics and issues within the field of medieval studies. It also seeks to promote scientific and academic exchange with other public and private, national and international universities and cultural institutions that publish and promote studies within the same field.

IEM aims to achieve these objectives through the work of its various research groups as well as by publicising its objectives through holding learning events and cultural initiatives. It also intends to make available on-line data and information which is the result of work carried out so far and with a particular emphasis on the Hispanic, Mediterranean and Atlantic contexts in which medieval Portuguese society found self-affirmation and structure.

In the final of 2008 the research unit was evaluated with the classification of "Very Good", which meant a significant rise from its previous classification. This led to the discussion, still in course in 2009, of the possible enlargements of the UI's objectives.

Main Achievements during the year of 2008

1. Annual Seminary of the UI - «O medievalismo hoje: estado da questão e desafios» (17-18th Sep.) - with the presence of two medievalists, Patrick Geary and Alain Guerreau. The portuguese edition of one of the most published books of P. Geary, «O mito das nações», was publically presented at the time. The scientific revision of the book was made under IEM's responsibility
2. Monthly seminary of presentation of current research on Portuguese medieval history - In 2008 it was formally changed into an inter-university seminary, with the collab. of several departments and universities. It also was done in connection with an project of international mobility of researchers, sponsored by the CRUP (Portugal) and the CPU (France) («A historiografia e a antropologia histórica medievais portuguesa e francesa. Conhecimento mútuo e debate de novas investigações / L'historiographie et l'anthropologie historique médiévales au Portugal et en France. S'informer mutuellement et débattre des nouvelles recherches» - Acções integradas Luso-Francesas, (2007/ 2008), CRUP/ CPU). It had seven different sessions. according to the scholar year's calendar.
3. Ist IEM workshop for young medievalists - "A construção histórica dos Estudos Medievais: o momento actual. Que desafios para os medievalistas principiantes". With the presence of Patrick Geary and Alain Guerreau, it counted with the presentation of 12 works by young scholars and was attended by c.50 persons.
4. Concerning research projects, in 2008 its was formally finished the R. Regis project (POCTI/HAR/47271/2002). The Littera project (PTDC/ELT/69985/2006) continued to be developed. In the concourse opened in November 2008 and closed in February 2009, two projects were presented (research groups "History of medieval Lisbon" and "Historiography on medieval Portugal").
5. Publication of two issues of the research unit's online review, «Medievalista» (nrs. 4 and 5)
6. Actualization and enrichment of the unit's specialized website.
7. Organisation of an Open Course (scientific divulgation/ formation along life) named "No tempo de D. Dinis", with 13 weekly sessions (Februray to May). The course had c. 90 persons enrolled.
8. Organisation of an "open university" initiative ("História & Mundo actual"), the conference on the History of the Fair Trade ("O Comércio Justo e o Micro-crédito: o que são, para quem são, o que podemos fazer"; "A reflexão sobre ética no comércio e a História"), along with a fair of products from fair trade associations (27 May- 2 June).
9. Participation of two PH.D. students, IEM's members, in the "Atelier de Formação em Estudos Medievais Ibéricos", a doctoral week seminary of Casa de Velázquez, Madrid (November 2008), according to a protocol established between the FCSH and the Casa de Velázquez and directed, in the FCSH, by a IEM's doctorate member.
10. Participation of the unit's members in the interdisciplinary FCT-financed project «A cor da iluminura» (PTDC/EAT/65445/2007)
11. Presence in Lisbon's Book Fair (May-June) in the Faculty stand, presenting and selling the research unit's publications

Activities

Integrative/multidisciplinary activities during the year of 2008

1. Continuity of the research project «Littera», an interdisciplinary project (Medieval literature, history, music)
2. Realisation of the monthly seminary on ongoing research, with sessions dedicated to History, Art History, Medieval Literature, Historical Anthropology
3. The two issues of the unit's review continued its publishing line of interdisciplinarity
4. Participation of the unit's members in the interdisciplinary FCT-financed project «A cor da iluminura» (PTDC/EAT/65445/2007)

Outreach activities during the year of 2008

1. Open Course (scientific divulgation/ formation along life) named "No tempo de D. Dinis", with 13 weekly sessions (Februray to May). The course had c. 90 persons enrolled.
2. "Open university" initiative ("História & Mundo actual"): conference on the History of the Fair Trade ("O Comércio Justo e o Micro-crédito: o que são, para quem são, o que podemos fazer"; "A reflexão sobre ética no comércio e a História"), along with a show of products from fair trade associations (27 May- 2 June).
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Funding

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	2008	2009	2010	2011
LA FCT	0,00	0,00		
Units FCT	5.625,00	37.537,50	37.537,50	54.166,00
Projects FCT	23.060,00	20.785,00	20.436,00	11.021,00
Other (National)	2.100,00	5.527,40	4.330,00	31.923,00
Other (International)	0,00	0,00	0,00	1.350,00
National Industry	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
International Industry	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
	30.785,00	63.849,90	62.303,50	98.460,00

General Indicators

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Total
No. of Researchers Proposed	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
No. of Researchers Hired (LA)	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
Balance	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
No. of Researchers Hired (Ciência Programme)	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
No. of Researchers integrated with PhD	0,00	13,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	
Training Masters (Master thesis completed)	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
Training PhDs (PhD thesis completed)	0,00	1,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	1,00

Researchers Hired

Name	Start Date	End Date	Other Institution
No researchers found...			

Technical Personnel Hired

Name	Start Date	End Date	Other Institution
No technical personnel found...			

Additional Comments**Research Groups**

Reference	Title / Principal Investigator
RG-LVT-749-1909	<u>Construir a História medieval</u> (Maria de Lurdes Pereira Rosa)
RG-LVT-749-3986	<u>Espaços e Poderes na Idade Média</u> (Adelaide Maria Pacheco Lopes Pereira Millán da Costa)
RG-LVT-749-3987	<u>Imagem e textos medievais</u> (Maria Adelaide da Conceição Miranda)