

Overview of meetings with local groups and short/medium and long-term objectives

Highlights:

- decentralisation of the organisation of the Group's activities;
- implementing strategies to publicise the Group's activities;
- organising regular meetings between researchers to exchange ideas and share individual projects;
- rethinking the Group's organisational structure, by thematic and/or geographical area and working groups;
- consolidating the network with institutions that hold periodical collections (libraries, archives and documentation centres);
- expand the Common Virtual Exhibition by adding new titles and descriptions of newspapers;
- consider collective projects for fundraising.

Short/medium-term objectives:

- urgent organisation of working groups;
- creation of a newsletter to publicise the Group's activities;
- founding of an international scientific journal;
- organisation of courses on the colonial press (seminars, webinars, conferences)
- organisation of the next GIEIPC congress (2024) Long-term objectives:
- establishment of exchange protocols between universities and creation of inter-university courses;
- development of a collective research project to raise funds at European level;
- organisation of a training course for secondary school teachers.

Meeting with members from Angola, 3 May 2023

Highlights:

- strengthen relations with institutions that hold collections of Angolan periodicals or periodicals related to Angola (libraries, archives and documentation centres);
- resume projects to digitise collections in collaboration with interested institutions;
- consider collective projects to raise funds outside Angola;
- create a GIEIPC centre in Angola. Short/medium-term objectives:
- organise a conference commemorating the centenary of the newspaper A Província de Angola and the bicentenary of the birth of journalist José Fontes de Pereira, to be held in late September 2023, in Luanda and online;

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- reconstruction of the A Província de Angola collection and its digitisation for the above-mentioned event.

Long-term objectives:

- development of a collective research project to raise funds at European level;
- digitisation of titles from collections held by the National Archives of Angola and the National Library of Angola.

Meeting with Cape Verde members, 17 May 2023

Highlights:

- strengthen relations with institutions that hold collections of Cape Verdean or Cape Verde-related periodicals (libraries, archives and documentation centres);
- engage in newspaper digitisation projects with a view to integrating them into the Common Virtual Expo;
- consider collective fundraising projects;
- creation of a GIEIPC branch in Cape Verde;
- lack of university courses dedicated to teaching history in Cape Verde;
- organisation of joint activities.

Short/medium-term objectives:

- organisation of a workshop on the colonial press in Praia in December 2023, promoted by the National Historical Archive of Cape Verde and in collaboration with the GIEIPC, also involving the National Library of Cape Verde.

Long-term objectives:

- involvement of Cape Verdean researchers in collective research projects on the colonial press;
- digitisation of titles from collections held by the National Archives of Cape Verde;
- consideration of a long-term plan to offer history courses in the context of university education in Cape Verde;
- training of professionals with the appropriate profiles to work in archives and libraries.

Meeting with Goa members, 26 May 2023

Highlights:

- begin the process of digitising colonial periodical collections in collaboration with local institutions.
- create a group of Goan researchers to oversee the management of conservation and access to periodical collections.

- raise awareness in the community of the importance of periodicals for the study of Goan history.
- attract young Goan researchers by creating university courses.
- revitalise the Goan Chapter.

Short/medium-term objectives:

- organise a collective and international launch (in person and online) of the GIEIPC books published by Routledge, on the occasion of the publication of the volume Colonial periodical press in the Indian and Pacific Ocean regions, which includes contributions from several Goan authors and chapters dedicated to the Goan press (October 2023);
- establishment of a group concerned with the state of periodicals in local institutions;
- establishment of a group to organise a university course on the Goan periodical press in all its languages, led by Loraine Alberto (Goa University).

Long-term objectives:

- digitisation of Goan periodical collections;
- fundraising through national and international competitions;
- launch of a university course dedicated to the colonial press within a year/year and a half.

Meeting with members from Brazil, 29 May 2023

Highlights:

- prioritise the creation of a common digital archive, involving libraries and archives;
- establish a working group dedicated exclusively to the creation of the common archive, composed mainly of library and archive staff;
- implement activities to disseminate the work of the Group's members;
- need to create thematic groups to improve the Group's organisational structure;
- invest in teaching and create an educational magazine dedicated to the use of periodicals in the classroom (teacher training);
- consider collective projects for fundraising;
- involvement of Brazilian universities in the creation of an inter-university course.

Short/medium-term objectives:

- organisation of a dossier within an academic journal dedicated to the use of periodicals as teaching material (in the teaching of history, literature, etc.);
- involvement of Brazilian researchers in the organisation of webinars (October 2023 – June 2024).

Long-term objectives:

- establishment of a working group dedicated exclusively to the common archive.

Meeting with members from Mozambique, 2 June 2023

Highlights:

- strengthen relations with Mozambican institutions that hold periodical collections (libraries, archives, and documentation centres) and demand greater involvement and commitment in making their sources available to the public and, in particular, to university students;
- start projects to digitise collections in collaboration with interested institutions;
- consider collective projects for raising European funds;
- expand the GIEIPC nucleus in Mozambique, involving young researchers;
- address the problem of access to bibliography;
- lack of local impact of Mozambican scientific production published abroad, improve the dissemination in Mozambique of foreign publications that include contributions from Mozambican researchers.

Short/medium-term objectives:

- consider the contribution that Mozambican researchers can make to the creation of an inter-university course on the colonial press, based in Mozambique;
- raise funds in Portugal for the acquisition of technological means for the digitisation of titles held by the National Archives of Mozambique.

Long-term objectives:

- establish exchange protocols between Mozambican and foreign universities;
- develop a collective research project to raise funds at European level.