



# FUNDAÇÃO SERRA HENRIQUES

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE 3<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE AEBR | CULTURE TASK FORCE CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION

### **about the Foundation and related initiatives**

Foundation Serra Henriques of Portugal (FSH) pays special attention to the study of urban planning, regional development and sustainable architecture as part of the uniqueness of a place and a population. The Foundation is responsible for the National Architecture Award (Archiprix Portugal), in partnership with Lisbon Architecture Triennale, the Order of Architects, the National Association of Urban Planners and all the Portuguese Universities. Within this domain, and in parallel, the Foundation collaborates with the Portuguese Government's Committee for the definition of the National Architecture and Landscape Policy, in articulation with the European Forum for Architecture Policies.

### ***about the Archiprix Exchange project***

The Archiprix Award distinguishes the best projects in the Masters projects of Architecture, Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture, integrating the Archiprix International network. This exchange programme aims to divulge best practices between European regions by sharing successful experiments in local projects with municipalities and universities, and promoting interchange with other cities. The interchange should happen between the countries in which Archiprix is implemented (for example, Spain, Italy or The Netherlands) and also with regions highlighted by European partners and networks, such as the Association of European Border Regions or the DoCoMo International. This cooperation can be developed through involvement in local projects, mixed work groups or public presentations and exhibitions.

### ***about the Edition Support Programme***

As part of the cooperation with European partners, the Foundation runs an edition support programme regarding the implementation of PhD thesis on subjects related to Cultural and Social Development. The programme has an educational character and aims to divulge original and best practices within the European regions.

### ***about the Open House***

*Lisbon Open House* is, since 2012, one of the most expressive cultural initiatives of the Lisbon region. It is organized by the Lisbon Architecture Triennale with the support of the Secretary of State for Culture, FSH and Lisbon's Municipality.

In 2015 the same programme will start in the region of *Porto Frente Atlântica*, an initiative of the mayors of Porto, Gaia and Matosinhos with the institutional support of the House of Architecture and the FSH. During two days the visitors are able to access buildings of high architectonic value which are, generally, not open to the public, and to participate in several activities specifically prepared for each location, for free. This international initiative ([openhouseworldwide.org](http://openhouseworldwide.org)), originally born in UK, has allowed for over two hundred thousand visitors to have the opportunity to discover the inside of twenty eight cities, such as the case of Rome, Buenos Aires, Vilnius, Perth, Barcelona, Thessaliniki, Chicago, Gdynia, Prague or Vienna.