

Call for Papers

WW I - III Congress

“The Portuguese Republic after WW I: the Azores, centrality and communications in the North Atlantic”.

Santa Maria Museum, Vila do Porto, Azores

October, 18th - 20th, 2019.



DOMINGOS REBELO (1891-1975), *O Público*, aguarela e tinta-da-china sobre papel, s./d. [ca. 1926], A 32 x L 50 cm. MCM6223).

Initially supported by the popular masses, the Portuguese First Republic was marked by social, political and economic instability, and a weak participation in World War I. The period from 1910 to 1926 was characterized by a partisan struggle for power, political and social agitation. Improvements since 1923 were not enough to counteract the growing discontent stimulated by intellectuals; a persecuted Church; an army and civil service without resources and an economically oppressed industry. The coup of May 28, 1926, put an end to this democratic regime starting a new cycle that, despite maintaining the previous political instability, prepared the Estado Novo, under the control of Antonio de Oliveira Salazar,

interrupted in April 25, 1974. Between 1910 and 1974, the Azores were deeply marked by the Autonomy but mostly by Salazar's Republic, and by the technological communications or sea/air connections across the Atlantic. The archipelago became a common element in the center of the Western Civilization, in the heart of the League of Nations. Between World Wars, the Azores saw a technological race, receiving American, German, English, French, Italian and Polish, as well as Portuguese, air and sea experiences. The establishment of airmail and passenger services by Zeppelins or Airlines such as Lufthansa or PAN-AM complemented the geostrategic importance of the Azores during the first half of the twentieth century, with repercussions in the second half, with two international airports and harbors, or radio stations (among others). Trade and immigration marked this century in a process that, after World War I, continued during World War II and Cold War.

The organizing committee calls for proposals that address, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- The maritime and terrestrial dimension, in the World Wars and Cold War;
- Portugal and the Azores in international politics (1910 - 1974);
- Political-ideological metamorphoses of the Autonomy and the Republic between 1910 and 1974.

- The Atlantic and communications;
- Air, naval and submarine warfare;
- The pioneers of Aeronautics in the Atlantic;
- Infrastructures: ports, airfields, sea plane bases and airports;
- Naval, military, civil aeronautics and Air Forces (1952);

Submission of proposals: June, 05th, 2019 to August, 31th, 2019.

Please send your identification (name, institutional affiliation and email address), the title of the communication, abstract (maximum 700 words) and cv (1 page) to the following e-mail:

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Working languages: Portuguese and English (there will be no simultaneous interpretation).

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