

The Polytechnic University of Cávado and Ave (IPCA) is very pleased to announce the **5th edition of its InWeek**, under the theme “ **Speak to Inspire: Global Voices Week** ”, which will take place in Barcelos, from **11 to 15 May 2026**.

This International Staff Training Week will be held in English and is open to **administrative and teaching staff** whose work focuses primarily on International Cooperation, Pedagogical Innovation, Inclusion and Diversity, among other related domains. With a comprehensive programme centred on strengthening cooperation, this capacity-building week aims to provide an enriching international and intercultural learning experience, as well as opportunities to exchange ideas and discuss emerging topics.

The agenda will include a variety of interactive group sessions, such as workshops, networking and team-building activities, designed to foster collaboration and promote the exchange of best practices and experiences. **This edition will also feature a certified workshop on public speaking, delivered by a recognised expert in the field, offering participants the opportunity to further develop their communication and presentation skills.**

Key information:

- **Registration form:** <https://forms.office.com/e/mjaauiuLx5>
- **Application deadline:** 31 March 2026
- **Participation fee:** No participation fee will be charged; however, selected participants will be asked to contribute approximately **€60 upon arrival** to cover the social programme, one lunch and one dinner
- **Maximum number of participants:** 50

Participants will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis, taking into account background, motivation and the maximum number of participants (up to 2 participants per institution). Results will be communicated shortly after the application deadline.

Please note that the enclosed programme is preliminary. After confirmation of participation, attendees will receive the final detailed programme of activities.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the International Office at gri@ipca.pt.

We look forward to welcoming you to IPCA for an inspiring and engaging week.