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Event

## Al-Gharb and the Arab World Past and Future

27 & 28 October 2023

Albufeira - Loulé – Silves  
Algarve – Portugal

### PROGRAM

27 October 2023

Local: **AHETA**, Albufeira

14:30 - Registration

15:00 - Opening Session

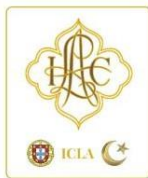
- Helder Oliveira  
President of ICLA – Association for Portuguese-Arab Cooperation
- José Apolinário  
President of CCDR Algarve - Regional Coordination and Development Commission
- Nabil Abuznaid  
H.E. the Ambassador of the State of Palestine  
Dean of the Arab Diplomatic Corps Resident in Portugal
- Nuno Fazenda\*  
Secretary of State for Tourism, Commerce and Services

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**15:10 - Beyond Boundaries - Algarve's Tourism Now and Tomorrow with Arab Nations**

- André Gomes  
President of RTA - Algarve Tourism Board
- Hélder Martins  
Presidente of AHETA - Algarve Hotels and Tourist Enterprises Association

**15:30 - Arab Realities: Navigating Present Dynamics and Shaping Future Collaborations with Portugal**

- Arab Embassies / Entities

**16:00 - Coffee Break**

**16:15 - cont. Arab Realities: Navigating Present Dynamics and Shaping Future Collaborations with Portugal**

- Arab Embassies / Entities

**16:45 - Departure to Loulé**

**Local: Loulé**

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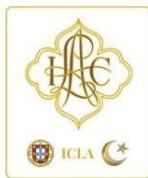
**17:40 - Reception and Cultural Program – The Arab Heritage in Loulé**  
Reception in the Noble Hall of the City Council and Visit to the City Centre, Castle, Municipal Museum and Islamic Hammam

Hosted by Vitor Aleixo  
President of Loulé Municipality

**20:30 - Dinner**  
Quinta do Freixo, Benafim

Offered by Loulé Municipality





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**Local: Silves**

**09:00** - Registration

**09:30** - Algarve Unveiled: Navigating Economic, Cultural, and Educational Realities and the Future with Arab Countries

- Rosa Palma  
President of Silves Municipality
- Vitor Neto  
President of NERA – Algarve Business Association
- Paulo Águas  
Dean of the UALg - University of Algarve
- António Pina  
President of AMAL - Intermunicipal Community of the Algarve
- Bernardo Ivo Cruz  
Secretary of State for International Trade and Foreign Investment

**10:00** - Presentation of Projects Differentiators, Innovators, Technological Developments, and Historic Collaboration  
– Portuguese Case Studies

**10:30** - Coffee Break

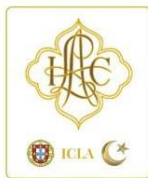
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- 11:15** - Visit of the Arabic Heritage of Silves  
Castle and CELAS - Center for Luso-Arab Studies (The House of Islamic and Mediterranean Culture)  
Hosted by Rosa Palma  
President of Silves Municipality
- 13:00** - Lunch  
Offered by Silves Municipality
- 15:00** - B2B  
Meetings between Portuguese and Arab Companies and Institutions
- 16:45** - Departure to Albufeira

**Local: Albufeira**

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- 17:30** - Reception and Cultural Program – The Arab Heritage in Albufeira  
NAU São Rafael Atlântico Hotel, Albufeira  
Boat trip along the Albufeira Coast  
Hosted by José Carlos Rolo  
President of Albufeira Municipality
- Opening of the exhibition "The Arab Presence in Albufeira"**  
By their Excellencies the Ambassadors Resident in Portugal and the President of Albufeira Municipality
- 20:30** - Dinner  
NAU São Rafael Atlântico Hotel, Albufeira  
Offered by Albufeira Municipality

\* To be confirmed

