

# LNEC Lisbon Conference Urban Risks and Societal Resilience

IP's experience on developing a  
Climate Change Resilience Plan (**PRIAC**)

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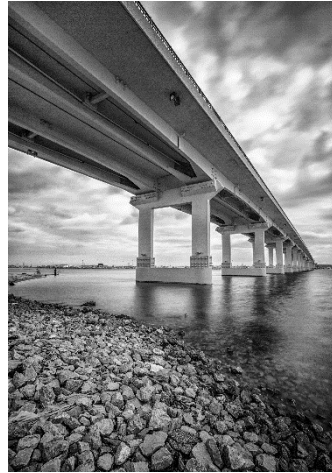


Cascais railway line

# INTRODUCTION

## MISSION

Conception, design, construction, financing, maintenance, operation, upgrading, extension and modernization of the Portuguese road and rail networks, including traffic command and control.



## VISION

IP's vision is to position itself as multimodal mobility Manager enhancing the asset management, synergies and new revenue to ensure the provision of sustainable, safe and efficient services.

## VALUES

They reflect our commitment to society and the desire for continuous improvement.

**Ethics · Safety · Sustainability**

# how to face Climate Change?

## COMMITMENTS AND MEASURES ALREADY IN PLACE



### MITIGATION

- 1.5 BUSINESS AMBITION
- DECARBONIZATION PLAN
- RAILWAY CLIMATE RESPONSABILITY PLEDGE



INTERNATIONAL UNION  
OF RAILWAYS



### ADAPTATION

- CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STUDIES (FINANCIAL FUNDING REQUIREMENT)
- **CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE PLAN (PRIAC)**



# PRIAC (Climate Change Resilience Plan for Infrastructures )

# objectives & output

## OBJECTIVE 01

Current Climate Vulnerabilities  
- knowing where we are -

## OBJECTIVE 02

Future Climate Vulnerabilities  
- envision where we will be -

## OBJECTIVE 03

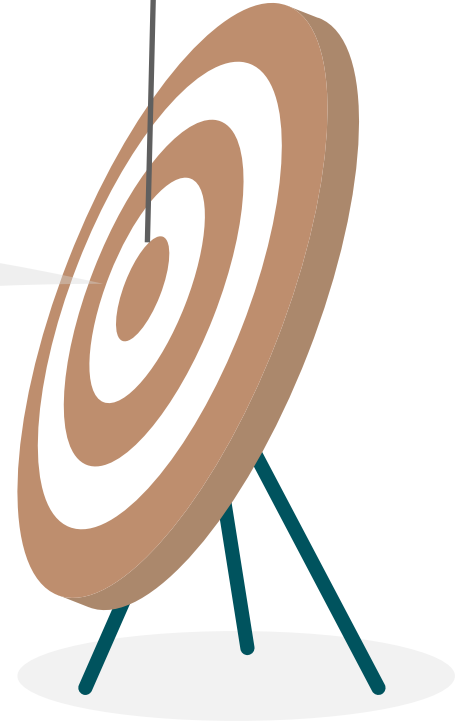
Ensuring Climate Resilience of EU financed projects

## OBJECTIVE 04

Develop Climate Adaptation Plans

Aligned with the decarbonization objectives of the Portuguese economy in 2030/2050 and with the reduction of social economic costs that guide national and European policies

- Strategic Guidance
- Operational information: Geographic Information System





# scope

PRIAC will cover the existing and projected rail and road network (-2030)


- Existing rail network: 2 600 km
- Projected rail network: 3 015 km
- Existing road network: 15 050 km
- Projected road network:  $\approx$  15 050 km





<b>AXIS/CHAPTER</b>	<b>MAIN CONTENTS TO BE DEVELOPED</b>
<b>CLIMATE RISK ASSESSMENT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evaluation of climate scenarios</li> <li>2. Identification and selection of critical infrastructures;</li> <li>3. Identification of relevant climate hazards for IP networks</li> <li>4. Climate Risk mapping of IP networks on IP GIS</li> <li>5. Benchmarking of costs and impacts including other European transport authorities</li> </ol>
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE RESILIENCE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Systematic monitoring of climate related incidents on networks</li> <li>2. Identification of climate hotspots</li> <li>3. Integration of above data in IP GIS platform</li> <li>4. Future climate impacts assessment on critical infrastructure</li> </ol>
<b>DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Integration of climate risk assessment for all new investment projects</li> <li>2. Review of design regulations/standards to ensure climate change resilience</li> <li>3. Systematization of adaptation measures in IP projects</li> <li>4. Study and development of more climate resilient materials and products</li> </ol>
<b>MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adaptation of maintenance to climate change (existing O&amp;M contracts)</li> <li>2. Adaptation of pavements to drought and temperature increase</li> <li>3. Adequacy of traffic management systems to extreme weather events</li> <li>4. Monitoring and development of alert and information systems for users in case of extreme weather events (occurrences, alternative routes, etc.)</li> </ol>
<b>ASSET MANAGEMENT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adaptation of inspection cycles and activities to climate change</li> <li>2. Development of degradation models of structures and predictive maintenance solutions</li> </ol>



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## PRIAC's METHODOLOGY

# methodology

The methodology proposed for carrying out the Plan is based on official documents published by JASPERS and by the European Commission, respectively:

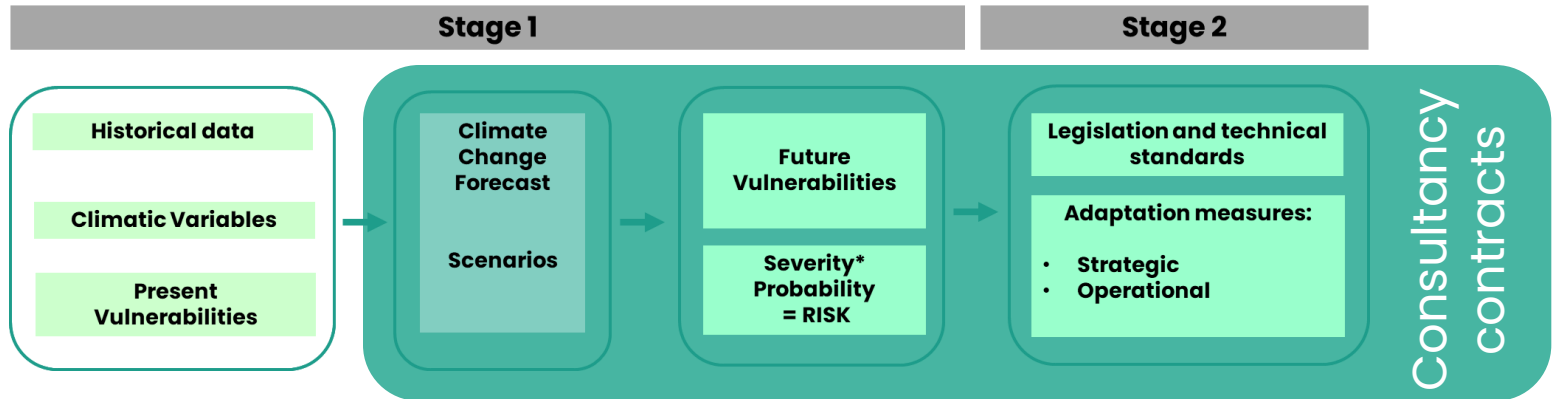
- JASPERS, 2017, Guidance Note, The Basics of Climate Change Adaptation Vulnerability and Risk Assessment
- European Commission, 2021, Technical guidance on the climate proofing of infrastructure in the period 2021-2027

For the development of PRIAC IP has also the support of JASPERS.




# methodology

- PRIAC will be carried out in two stages:
  - **Stage 1**, will encompass current and future climate change vulnerability and risk analysis of the infrastructure from a technical and socioeconomical perspective
  - **Stage 2**, according to the findings of Stage 1 - will examine necessary adaptation measures, the implementation and monitoring plans, and financial aspects (including proposing, as relevant, resilient investment programs),







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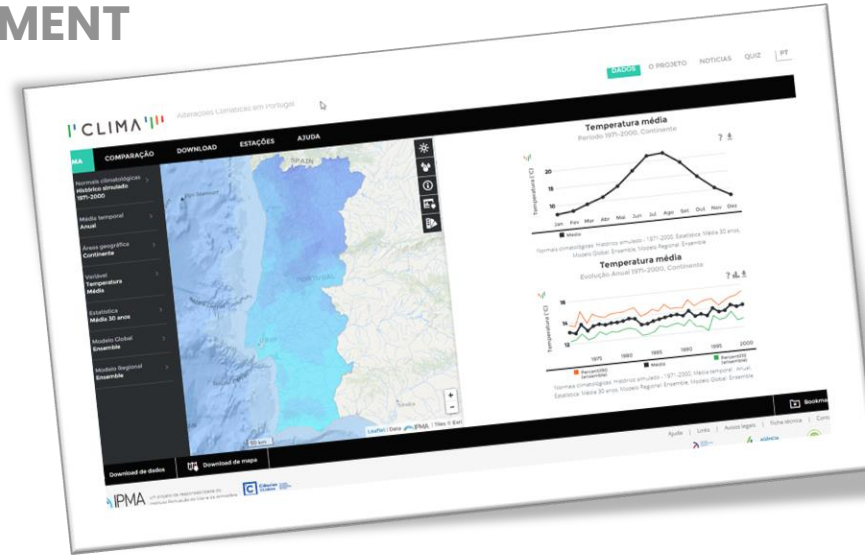
# STAGE 1 – CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

# methodology

## CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

1. Current climate vulnerability based on available registered data
2. Future vulnerabilities, based on available climate scenarios

		Exposure		
		Low/No Exposure	Medium	High
Sensitivity	Low/No Sensitivity			
	Medium			
	High			



Sensitivity x  
Exposure = Vulnerability

➔ Subsequent Risk Analysis

# methodology

## RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX

Probability Severity		Rare	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Almost Certain
		1	2	3	4	5
Insignificant	1	1	2	3	4	5
Minor	2	2	4	6	8	10
Moderate	3	3	6	9	12	15
Major	4	4	8	12	16	20
Catastrophic	5	5	10	15	20	25

1-3	Negligible Risk
4-6	Low Risk
7-10	Medium Risk
11-17	High Risk
18-25	Extreme Risk

Probability x Severity = Risk

High and extreme risk (orange and red color) require implementation of strategies and operational adaptations measures.

Monitoring is of equal importance.



# PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS




# preliminary conclusions

- PRIAC's stage 1 – Concluded – The main risks in the infrastructures under IP management have been identified and presented in GIS
- PRIAC's Stage 2 – On going (2023/2025)
- PRIAC must be articulated with other plans of similar nature, on a regional and national basis

## **After PRIAC's...**

- Implemented measures will have to be periodically evaluated and adjusted to the needs, respecting the life cycle of assets in the road and rail networks...



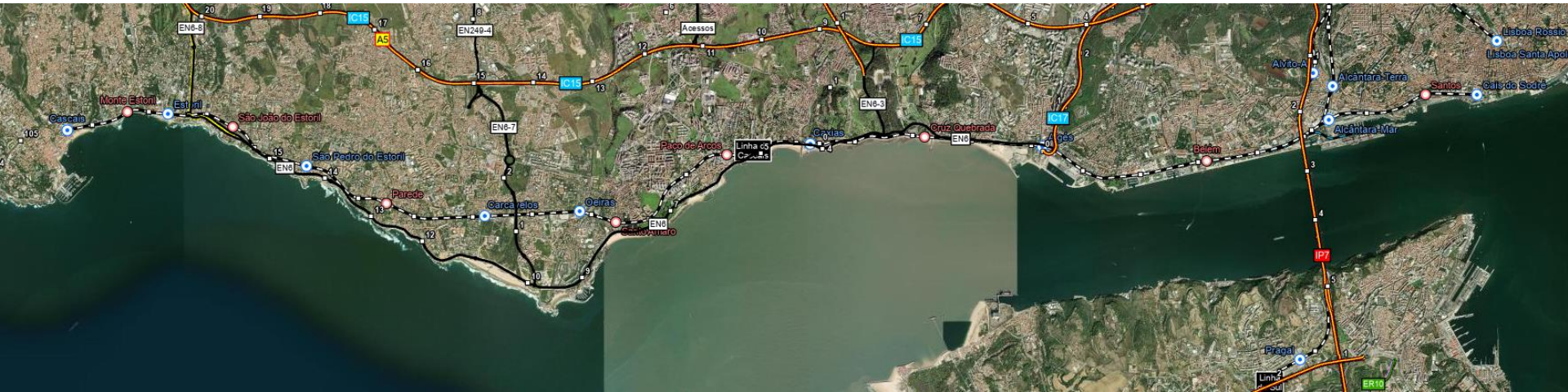
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# CASCAIS RAILWAY LINE



# location

## Cascais Line, between Cais do Sodré and Cascais



# framework and objectives

- Identify risks associated with climate change
- Propose adaptation measures
- Establish itself as a management and decision-making support tool
- Promote adaptive management





# synthesis of risk assessment

		Probability				
		Rare 1	Unlikely 2	Possible 3	Likely 4	Almost Certain 5
Severity	Insignificant	1		Fog		
	Minor	2		Landslide	Extreme temperatures (maximum)	
	Moderate	3		Maritime flooding / Fluvial and rain floods	Extreme winds	
	Major	4				
	Catastrophic	5				

Extreme winds present a moderate risk. Landslides, extreme (maximum) temperatures, sea/river flooding, and rainwater flooding have a low risk, while fog poses a negligible risk.

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# Cascais railway line – Case Study

- One of the major urban transport axes of the Lisbon Metropolitan Area
- Located in a seismic risk zone → Risk of tsunamis
- Increased seismic risk due to the influence of Climate Change  
(<https://www.publico.pt/2024/08/28/azul/noticia/alteracoes-climaticas-vao-influencia-risco-sismico-cientistas-2102184>)



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INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

## Alterações climáticas vão ter influência no risco sísmico, dizem cientistas

O aquecimento global está a derreter as calotas de gelo, fazendo subir o nível do mar. Sismólogos alertam que a água a mais irá pressionar as falhas geológicas, o que pode adiantar ou adiar os sismos.

Nicolau Ferreira

28 de Agosto de 2024, 21:22

# risk assessment conclusions

## Coastal flooding:

Negligible risk

Infrastructure was built at a higher elevation → Greater resilience

## Tsunamis:

High severity but very low probability

Risk = Severity x Probability → Very low risk



# adaptation and climate resilience

## Adaptation measures:

- Execution / Structural Project
- Rail traffic / Operational Management
- Other Actions / Monitoring







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Obrigada  
Thank you for your attention