



## 1<sup>st</sup> UCP | PPE Undergraduate Conference: *Addressing Local Problems and Global Challenges*

### Program

**09h30: Welcome and Opening Remarks – Academic Authorities**

**Opening Lecture:** *Democracy and Extremism in Romanian Presidential Elections* – **Andrei Taranu**

**11h00: Presentations:**

- *The Concept of Juridical, Media, and Societal Politicization: Lessons and Warnings from Poland's PiS Experience* – **João Freitas**
- *Hate Speech Regulations and Free Expression: Contradiction or Compatibility in Democracies?* – **Eldar Slavskiy**
- *A Bipolar Alliance in a Multipolar World: The Future of European-American Cooperation and Unity in NATO* – **Alexandre Araújo**

**12h30: Q&A**

**Lunch Break**

**14h30 | Lecture:** *Navigating the Storm: Geopolitical Shifts, Populist Pressures, and the Future of Globalization* – **Vittorio Amato**

**15h30: Presentations:**

- *Between Risk and Opportunity: Rethinking Economic Intelligence in Portugal* – **Flávia Rocha**
- *Talking Tariffs: The Impact on the European Union Startup Investments* – **José Neves**
- *The New Character of Inequality in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: From the 1% to the 0.01%* – **Bernardo Bonifácio**

**16h30: Q&A**

**17h00 | Final Lecture:** *The child who did not address tables. W. L. S. Churchill and the intuitive core of common good* – **Américo Pereira**

**Room 231**

**Lisbon, 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2025**