

# TESTIMONY OF THE INTERVENTION



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“Mr. President of AIDA, Mr. President of the National Agency of Innovation, my ladies and gentlemen, a very good day to all. Welcome to our Fair Park, our TechDays and our International Business Congress.

A special word directed to AIDA, for the initiative, for life and for being our partner. We are partners of this company that manages the Fair Park. A company that was once bad, became good and now has to die. You see, the law of life has these things. We are wiping out our company, which is 51% of the Chamber and 49% of AIDA, because the law orders. The company, which was poorly governed for some years and ended with the death sentence. We have a very important alliance, in the dynamization of this Park, so the new entity, which will replace the current one, which is in liquidation phase, will continue to count on this partnership.

This partnership is very important to us, in several divisions.

In our Municipality and in our Region, the main engine is the companies. It is they who create wealth, they generate employment. And we public entities, we are the auxiliary engine and we try to be good, to have quality, to be present and to have dynamism, to accompany with quality and intelligence, giving the necessary conditions for our companies to continue in the right way and to be, more and more, companies of Aveiro all over the world.

This is the great challenge, moreover, of today, by the reflections that will brought up here. But it is also the great challenge that Aveiro has managed to respond: we have not started to internationalize now, we have long been internationalized, but we know we have a lot of world to conquer and growth to continue to do.

We have a very special pleasure in hosting this Congress, in these three days of TechDays, in our Park and in being partners of the Industrial Association of the District of Aveiro, with the certainty that we will continue to be, in this growth bet, of good-doing and of the public-private dimension.

We thus aim to successfully reach our final bet, which is to continue the growth of the happiness index of our fellow citizens, every day.



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I hope the conversation is good, useful, motivating, to continue this path of growth together.

To wish the Industrial Association of the District of Aveiro a good life, strength and growth, in this logic in which we are all together and in which associativism plays a fundamental role, surely reinvented, reinforced and articulated with the new reality of clusters.

Good congress and a good day to all.

Thank you very much."



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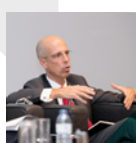
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