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Assistant Professor, Sociology, Middle East Technical University

Associated Researcher, ICS-University of Lisbon

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SUMMARY

Sociologist specialised in rural sociology, (rural) social movements, and participatory governance. My work experience spans research on rural development in Portugal and Greece, peasant resistance in Turkey, and participatory governance in Europe.

Currently, at the sociology department of Middle East Technical University, I am responsible for the courses of "Social Movements" and "Sociology of Development".

At the University of Lisbon, I research citizen participation in democratic governance through the Horizon Europe-funded INCITE-DEM project. I am also part of a research team on a nationally funded project to create a database of participatory practices in Portugal in the last 50 years. Furthermore, I serve as Editor-in-Chief of the Q1-ranked *Ibero-American Review of Viticulture, Agroindustry and Rurality* (RIVAR). My research integrates historical and comparative perspectives to inform critical debates on social and political theory, participatory governance and rural sociology, namely through rural social movements and the commons. Currently, I am Ankara-based, travelling frequently to Lisbon.

EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor

Department of Sociology, Middle East Technical University

📅 10/2025 - present 📍 Ankara, Turkey

- Teaching the undergraduate courses of "Social Movements" and "Sociology of Development".

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Institute of Social Sciences, University of Lisbon

📅 03/2023 – 10/2025 📍 Lisbon, Portugal

- Postdoctoral Fellow on the project: "Inclusive Citizenship in a World in Transformation: Co-Designing for Democracy". Funding: Horizon Europe (Grant agreement ID: 101094258): <https://incite-dem.eu>
- My role in the project involves conducting independent research on the historical trajectory of democratic innovations and citizen participation in politics and decision-making in Europe. I have collected, processed, and analysed data on citizen participation in decision-making and public policy. Conducted semi-structured interviews with international experts. Produced reports, scientific articles, and dissemination materials on project findings

Researcher

Institute of Social Sciences, University of Lisbon & Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation

📅 02/2025 - 02/2026 📍 Lisbon, Portugal

- Member of research team in a Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation-funded project "**Inovações Democráticas em Portugal - IDP**" [Democratic Innovations in Portugal], being conducted at the Institute of Social Sciences, University of Lisbon: <https://www.ics.ulisboa.pt/en/projeto/democratic-innovations-portugal>
- This project aims to address the lack of knowledge about democratic innovations (DIs), namely participatory and deliberative practices, in Portugal, from the establishment of the democratic regime in 1974 to the present. The collection of this type of information at the local scale will take place throughout 2025, with the primary goal of building a database that can support scientific research, political debate, and public opinion.

Editor-in-chief

RIVAR (Ibero-American Review of Viticulture, Agroindustry and Rurality)

📅 01/2021 - Present 📍 Santiago, Chile

- Overview of editorial issues and reviewers' assignment
- Journal edited by the Institute of Advanced Studies, University of Santiago de Chile (USACH)
- Q1 (Cultural Studies) Indexed Web of Science and SCOPUS

Lecturer

Faculty of Languages, History and Geography, Ankara University

📅 09/2018 - 03/2023 📍 Ankara, Turkey

- Taught courses on sociological, cultural and historical aspects of Portugal at the sub-Department of Portuguese Studies

Researcher

Center for Latin American Studies (LAMER), Ankara University

📅 09/2018 - 03/2023 📍 Ankara, Turkey

- Produced research briefs on Latin America socio-economic development for the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and in close collaboration with Latin American Embassies in Ankara
- Edited, translated and coordinated editorial work on several books on Latin America themes, but also on Latin America-Turkey relations
- Coordinated student interns
- Coordinated over 30 international academic agreements between LAMER and Latin American Universities, from which the center frequently hosts visiting researchers

Foreign Trade and Economic Affairs Intern

Embassy of Portugal in Ankara

📅 12/2016 - 05/2017 📍 Ankara, Turkey

Research Assistant

University of Aveiro, Department of Social and Political Sciences

📅 01/2014 - 12/2015 📍 Aveiro, Portugal

- Research Assistant at the Project: "Rural Matters - meanings of the rural in Portugal- between social representations, consumption, and development strategies" funded by the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)
- Conducted quantitative descriptive statistical analysis of survey results (using SPSS software)
- Conducted qualitative content analysis of research interviews (using Nvivo software)
- Presented research outputs in 7 international conferences, co-authored a book chapter and co-authored a research article (Q1)

EDUCATION & TRAINING

PhD in Sociology

Middle East Technical University (METU)

📅 10/2016 - 12/2022 📍 Ankara, Turkey

- **PhD in Sociology concluded and approved unanimously.**
- **PhD Thesis**

Ribeiro, J.D. (2023). Peasantry and rural resistance in the 21st century Turkey: the case of Çiftçi-Sen [Ph.D. - Doctoral Program]. Middle East Technical University. <https://open.metu.edu.tr/handle/11511/101907>

GPA

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Visiting Researcher, Department of Agricultural Economics

Ghent University

📅 06/2021 📍 Ghent, Belgium

- Conducted research for the PhD under the guidance of Prof. Joost Dessein (at that time the President of the European Society for Rural Sociology - ESRS)

MSc in Urban and Regional Planning, Dept. of Social and Political Sciences

University of Aveiro

📅 09/2013 - 12/2015 📍 Portugal

- **MSc Thesis**

Ribeiro, J.D. (2016). Between Bacchus and Dionysus. European Policies on Rural Development: the cases of Nemea and Basto wine regions. MSc Thesis in Urban and Regional Planning. Aveiro University, Aveiro. 186 pp. <http://hdl.handle.net/10773/15886>

- Spent the second year of the MSc at the Harokopio University (Athens, Greece) where fieldwork for the thesis was conducted. The research period was funded by the Erasmus programme

Grade

19 / 20

BA, Sociology, Faculty of Arts.

University of Porto

📅 09/2009 - 07/2013 📍 Portugal

- Spent the second year of the BA at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, (Belgium), funded by the Erasmus programme

ESDP network Intensive Programme in Urban Planning

Department of City and Regional Planning, Middle East Technical University

📅 04/2014 - 05/2024 📍 Ankara, Turkey

PhD Workshop Qualitative Research Interviews

Roskilde University

📅 02/2021 📍 Roskilde, Denmark

PUBLICATIONS (REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES)

Ribeiro, J.D., Moniz, J., Campos, I. & Falanga, R. (2025). Can democratic innovations tackle social-ecological challenges? Gaining insights on transformative governance across European cases. *Socio-Ecological Practice Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42532-025-00225-0>. Indexed Scopus (Q1).

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s42532-025-00225-0>

Moniz, J., Falanga, R., & Ribeiro, J. D. (2025). Varieties of Citizen Engagement? The Institutional Design of Deliberative Innovations in Europe in Comparative Perspective. *Representation*, 1-19. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00344893.2025.2529303>. Indexed Web of Science (SSCI) & Indexed Scopus (Q1).

<https://doi.org/10.1080/00344893.2025.2529303>

Ribeiro, J.D., Falanga, R. & Moniz, J. (2025). Assessing the Role of Democratic Innovations in Environmental Sustainability: A Systematic Literature Review. *Sustainable Development*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/sd.3545>. Indexed Web of Science (SSCI) & Indexed Scopus (Q1).

<https://doi.org/10.1002/sd.3545>

Ribeiro, J. D., & Moniz, J. (2025). O rural nas inovações democráticas: uma proposta comparativa América Latina-Europa [The Rural in Democratic Innovations: A Comparative Proposal between Latin America and Europe]. *Cadernos Metrópole*, 27(63), e6368273. <https://doi.org/10.1590/2236-9996.2025-6368273-pt>. Indexed Qualis (A1), DOAJ, SciELO Brazil.

<https://revistas.pucsp.br/index.php/metropole/article/view/68273>

Falanga, R., Ribeiro, J.D., & Moniz, J. (2025). Smoke in the air? Interview with Yves Cabannes on the democratization of democracy through participatory budgeting. *Análise Social*, 60(254), e25500. Indexed Scopus (Q3).

<https://doi.org/10.31447/2025500>

Büke, A., Ribeiro, J. D., Bjørkhaug, H., & Ruth Sippel, S. (2025). Rethinking Agrifood Systems in (Post-)Pandemic Times: Moving Beyond Crisis and Recovery Narratives. *The International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture and Food*, 30(1), 43-52. Indexed Scopus (Q2)

<https://doi.org/10.48416/ijisaf.v30i1.714>

Çoban, H. M.; Ribeiro, J. D. (2024). Latin Amerika’da Bölgesellesme Pratikleri: Bir Entegrasyon Hayalı?. [Regionalization Practices in Latin America: An Integration Dream?] *The Turkish Yearbook of International Relations*. Indexed ULAKBIM

<https://doi.org/10.58699/tyir.1587808>

Bjørkhaug, H.; Büke, A.; Ribeiro, J. D.; Sippel, S. R. (2023). The Food System in the (Post-)Pandemic World: Disruptions, Vulnerability, Resilience, and Alternatives - 1. *The International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture and Food* 292: 35-37. Indexed Scopus (Q2).

<https://doi.org/10.48416/ijisaf.v29i2.602>

Ribeiro, J. D. (2021). Fronteras de identidad popular en las Fiestas de S. Sebastião del Barroso en Portugal. [The Boundaries of Popular Identity in the Festivities of S. Sebastião in Barroso, Portugal]. *RIVAR* 823: 220-238. Indexed Web of Science (ESCI) and Scopus (Q1).

<http://dx.doi.org/10.35588/rivar.v8i23.4964>

Ribeiro, J. D. (2021, December 14). The Great Rising? Turkish peasants’ fight for the right to food – and their own history [Online]. *The Sociological Review Magazine*.

<https://doi.org/10.51428/tsr.hvmq5229>

Ribeiro, J. D.; Cihanger Ribeiro, D.; Duarte, J. S. (2020). A Legacy of Grape: A Socio-Cultural and Spatial Analysis of Ankara's Wine Production History. *Journal of Ankara Studies* 8 (2): 215-251. Indexed ULAKBIM, EBSCO, DOAJ.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.5505/jas.2020.29494>

Ribeiro, J. D.; Kutlu, M. N. (2020). Incertidumbre a los ocho años. Aproximación a la situación de los refugiados sirios en Turquía. [Uncertainty at Eight Years: An Approach to the Situation of Syrian Refugees in Turkey]. *Desacatos, Revista de Antropología Social*, 64. Indexed SciELO Mexico.

<https://desacatos.ciesas.edu.mx/index.php/Desacatos/article/view/2349>.

Ribeiro, J.D.; Figueiredo, E.; Rodrigues, C. (2018). Between Localness and Deterritorialization in Nemea and Basto Wine Regions. *Revista Iberoamericana de Viticultura, Agroindustria y Ruralidad* 5 14 (2018): 39-60. Indexed Web of Science (ESCI) and Scopus (Q1).

<https://www.redalyc.org/articulo.oa?id=469554838018>

PUBLICATIONS (BOOK CHAPTERS)

Falanga, R.; Ribeiro, J.D.; Moniz, J. (2025). Cidadania e participação nos últimos 50 anos em Portugal: a consolidação democrática entre as urnas e a rua.[Citizenship and participation in the last 50 years in Portugal. The democratic consolidation between the ballot-box and the streets]. In *50 Anos de Abril Questões ambientais, sociais e territoriais*, edited by Monica Truninger; Falanga, Roberto; Mourato Morais, João; Rosário Oliveira; Luísa Schmidt, 219-244. Lisboa, Portugal: Imprensa de Ciências Sociais, 2024.

<https://www.ics.ulisboa.pt/livros/50-anos-de-abril>

Ribeiro, J.D., Gündüz-Höşgör, Ayşe. (2025). Do peasants make history? Authoritarianism and rural resistance in contemporary Turkey. In Isabel David and Kumru Toktamis (Eds.) *Fragments of repression and resistance: AKP rule in Turkey*, pp. 45-73 Bern/Lausanne: Peter Lang. DOI: 10.3726/b22247

<https://www.peterlang.com/document/1490155>

Ribeiro, J.D., Cihanger Ribeiro, D., Tosun, C., (2024). Insurgency in Planning: The Case of Chamber of City Planners in Turkey. In Roberto Rocco, Gabriel Silvestre (Eds.) *How do you Employ an Insurgent Planner?*, pp. 190-210. Newcastle: Agenda Publishing.

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/abs/insurgent-planning-practice/either-they-want-it-or-not-turkeys-chamber-of-city-planners-as-a-catalyst-for-insurgency-in-planning/5CCD89470979512DA42E14792CFEEF60>

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming (Accepted for Publication)

Moniz, J., Falanga, R. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2025) Exploring the interplay between Democratic Innovations and Social Sustainability: A Scoping Review. *Political Sciences Review*. Indexed Web of Science (SSCI) Indexed Scopus (Q1).

Forthcoming (In Review)

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2026). Local Democratic Innovations: Advancing the Research Agenda. *The Elgar Companion to Quality of Local Governance: Concepts, Methods and Techniques*.

In Preparation for submission

Ribeiro, J.D. (2025). From 'people without history' to agriculture without peasants: an agrarian question of rural politics in 21st century Turkey. *Journal of Peasant Studies*. Indexed Web of Science (SSCI) Indexed Scopus (Q1).

In Preparation for submission

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. What is democratic and innovative about democratic innovations? The view of the experts. *Democratization*. Indexed Web of Science (SSCI) Indexed Scopus (Q1).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Scientific Report

Falanga, Roberto; **Ribeiro, José Duarte**; Moniz, João. 2024. *Incite-DEM: D1.1 Report and timeline of (e)participation and engagement practices*.

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/documents/downloadPublic?documentIds=080166e509092711GappId=PPGMS>

Scientific Report

Falanga, Roberto; Moniz, João; **Ribeiro, José Duarte**. 2024. *Incite-DEM: D1.2 Database and timeline on the history of participation and engagement*.

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/documents/downloadPublic?documentIds=080166e50a4bd080&appId=PPGMS>.

Scientific Report

Cots, Francesc; Fosse, Jeremie; Campos, Inês; Falanga, Roberto; **Ribeiro, José Duarte**; Moniz, João; Buth, Vanessa; et al. 2024. Policy synthesis #1: Democratic innovations for sustainability. https://incite-dem.eu/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/INCITE-DEM_Policy-brief1_Democratic-innovations-for-sustainability.pdf.

Datasets

Falanga, R., Moniz, J. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2024). Database and Timeline on the History of Participation and Engagement. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10830077>

Online Journal Article

Ribeiro, José Duarte. "Covid politics – Your Own Personal State of Emergency", The European Sociologist, 2021, <https://www.europeansociology.org/european-sociologist/issue/46/discussion/d65fd159-ea84-4382-9be1-24226980968a>.

Scientific Dissemination (Podcast)

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2024). Changin bureaucracy? with Stephen Elstub and Rikki Dean [Podcast]. INCITE-DEM. Available here: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/3BYmchEddigHq44xCqtqmM?si=0f4768148afd4e8d>

Scientific Dissemination (Podcast)

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2023). Solving Crisis? with Graham Smith and Oliver Escobar [Podcast]. INCITE-DEM. Available here: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/5jpejTHP7hcUsXYeu0ItsI?si=6b7deb81259c4d7f>

Scientific Dissemination (Podcast)

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2023). Enhancing citizen trust? with Brigitte Geissel and Francesco Veri [Podcast]. INCITE-DEM. Available here: https://open.spotify.com/episode/4S1DrTv8CPOUGKD1wfMly_G?si=5807a3e273784702

Scientific Dissemination (Podcast)

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2023). Improving democracy? with Mark Warren and Thamy Pogrebinschi [Podcast]. INCITE-DEM. Available here: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/5iMPCy9zD5oODwjTK2BYou?si=4a51691b199543e2>

Online Journal Article

Ribeiro, J.D. 2020. Peasantry and Rural Social Movements in Twenty-First Century Turkey. EuropeNow 10, December. <https://www.europejournal.org/2020/11/09/peasantry-and-rural-social-movements-in-twenty-first-century-turkey/>

Book Edition & Translation

Kutlu, M.N., Toledo, H., Yalçın, P., Yurtaydın, E., Erdem, G., Güler, C., Kadıköylü, N., Seçkin, F.O. (2019) **Ribeiro, J.D.** (Ed.) (Tr.) *Relações Império Otomano – América Latina ao Longo do Século XIX*. ISBN 978-605-136-413-1. Ancara: Publicações da Universidade de Ancara.

PAPERS PRESENTED (INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES - ONLY LAST 5 YEARS)

2025

Ribeiro, J. D. (2025). Commoning Alternatives: Historical Legacies and Research Directions of Participatory Governance in Rural Commons. ECPR General Conference 20205, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.

2025

Ribeiro, J. D. (2025). Collective Alternative Futures: Commons' Participatory Governance and the Challenge to Capitalist Ownership in Southern Europe. 30th European Society for Rural Sociology Congress, Riga, Latvia.

2025

Ribeiro, J. D. & Moniz, J. (2025). Territorial (Re)Configurations in Rural Participation: A Comparative Analysis of Democratic Innovations in Latin America and Europe. 30th European Society for Rural Sociology Congress, Riga, Latvia.

2025

Falanga, R., **Ribeiro, J. D.** & Moniz, J. (2025). Multi-Level Governance of Democratic Innovations: Who, How and Where. 5th International Sociological Association (ISA) Forum, Rabat, Morocco.

2025

Moniz, J., Falanga, R. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2025). Who promotes democratic innovations at the local level?. XIII Portuguese Congress of Sociology, Azores, Portugal.

2025

Moniz, J., Falanga, R. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2025). Political agency and democratic innovations at the local level. 12th APCP Conference, ICS-University of Lisbon.

2024

Moniz, J., Falanga, R. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2024). Comparing the Institutional Design of Democratic Innovations across Europe. IPSA 75th Anniversary Conference, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon.

2024

Falanga, R., Moniz, J. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2024). Varieties of Deliberative Practices. COST ACTION: Research Network for Interdisciplinary Studies of Transhistorical Deliberative Democracy CA22149 (Lisbon, Portugal).

2024

Ribeiro, J. D., Falanga, R. & Moniz, J. (2024). Reshaping Environmental Governance: Democratic Innovations in Europe. 16th Conference of the European Sociological Association. University of Porto, Portugal.

2024

Falanga, R., Moniz, J. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2024). Geographies of Democratic Innovations: emerging flows and patterns in Europe. ECPR General Conference 2024, University College Dublin.

2024

Ribeiro, J. D., Falanga, R. & Moniz, J. (2024). Voice of the People, Future of the Planet: Are democratic innovations reshaping environmental decision-making? ECPR General Conference 2024, University College Dublin.

2024

Moniz, J., Falanga, R. & **Ribeiro, J. D.** (2024). Varieties of citizen engagement? The institutional design of democratic innovations in Europe in comparative perspective. ECPR General Conference 2024, University College Dublin.

2023

Ribeiro, J. D. (2023). The Rural in 21st-century Turkey: resisting extractivism and rural-based accumulation. Turkey at 100: (Dis)continuities and (Dis)contents. February 8-10, Lisbon University, Portugal.

2022

Ribeiro, J. D. (2022). Food Sovereignty and Rural Social Movements in the 21st Century Turkey. The Food System in the (Post-) Pandemic World. ISA RC40 Mini-Conference. October 19-21, Leipzig University, Germany.

2021

Ribeiro, J. D. (2021). Rural Politics after 15 Years of AKP: Assessing the Effects on Small-Scale Farming and the Agency of Rural Social Movements in Turkey. IV ISA Forum of Sociology, Porto Alegre, Brazil, February 23-28.

2020

Ribeiro, J. D. (2020) Fronteras de la identidad popular: las fiestas de S. Sebastián en el Barroso Transmontano. I Seminario Internacional de Fiesta y Agricultura 2020, Instituto de Estudios Avanzados de la Universidad Santiago de Chile y Revista Iberoamericana de Viticultura, Agroindustria y Ruralidad (RIVAR), octubre 5-8.

CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

Member, Executive Committee

📅 07/2025 - 07/2027 📍 Riga, Latvia

Congress "Navigating Rural Transitions: Exploring liveable futures" of the European Society for Rural Sociology at Riga University.

Member, Organising Committee

📅 10/2022 📍 Leipzig, Germany

Conference "The Food System in the (Post-) Pandemic World" co-organized by the International Sociological Association RC40 – Sociology of Agriculture and Food and Leipzig University.

Member, Organising Committee

📅 06/2022 📍 Ankara, Turkey

Conference "Challenging Rural Studies in Turkey: present state and new imaginaries" co-organized by the Department of Sociology of Middle East Technical University and the European Society of Rural Sociology.

Academic Service

Reviewer for the journals: Politics (Q1), Sustainable Development (Q1), RIVAR - Ibero-American Review of Viticulture, Agroindustry and Rurality (Q1)

AWARDS

Koç University-VEKAM Research Award in 2019

For the project "Legacy of Grape: A Sociocultural and Spatial Analysis of Ankara's Wine Production History".

2017-2018 Academic Year - METU Graduate Courses Performance Award

A certificate awarded for the most successful student in the Ph.D. Program of the Department of Sociology, with a CGPA of 4,00/4,00.

Special Access Award

Award for the paper "*The Rural in Turkey-EU relations: rural transformations in Turkish rural areas through the adjustments to EU agricultural policy reforms*" by the Organizing Committee of the XXVII European Society for Rural Sociology Congress, in Kraków, Poland, July 24- 27, 2017

Merit Scholarship 2014-2015

Won the Merit Scholarship for the academic year of 2014-2015 as being included on a final list of the 25 best students of that year. Attributed by Direccção-Geral do Ensino Superior (Higher Education General-Directorate) and University of Aveiro in September 2018.

LANGUAGES

Portuguese
Native



English
Proficient



Spanish
Proficient



Turkish
Advanced

