LISBON-SINTRA TOURISTIC AXIS
URBAN SUBVERSION AND NEW RENEWAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Investigation Project:
Urban Expansion Itineraries in Proximity Territorial Relations Contributions to the Evaluation and Improvement of the Lisbon-Sintra axis
KEY IDEAS

New accessibility infrastructure contributes to Tensions Between the Tourist poles of Lisbon and Sintra

Subversion of values based on a dichotomy between the cultural tourism and housing clusters.

Distort Dialectic between centralities and intermediate urban patterns

Challenges between a cultural legacy and renewal opportunities
Territorial tensions were being formed from the convergence of different elements in the same territory. Different pressures imposed without ensuring a balanced hierarchy of precedence.
GOALS

• Understand cause-effect relations between tourism, accessibility infrastructure and urban sprawl

• Identify new possibilities of territory valorization

• Acknowledge opportunities of integration between cultural heritage and new competitive challenges
Lisbon-Sintra Touristic Axis

Territory with particular characteristics and a unique historical and cultural identity

The Lisbon-Sintra distinguishes by its cultural heritage and as a legacy of the the aristocracy Villegiature
De Groer Plan (1951), contributed to the preservation of Sintra, being established Areas of Protected Landscape of Sintra-Cascais
The Regional and local Planning

30's - New urban policies: urban plans

Enlargement and densification of urban centers – without planning structure

50’s – Migration to periphery over traditional paths of villegiature
PDRL Regional Plan 1963

Established the first metropolitan vision of territory

Built the basis for regional accessibilities

Under estimate the urban growth in the periphery
PROT AML
Metropolitan Plan 2002

Structure and Organizes the metropolitan territory

Urban centralities network

Connections and transport infrastructure

Tourism policy strategy/intervention absence
Territorial tensions

- Mobility and accessibility development
- Ineffectiveness of planning instruments

New forms of real estate pressure and the accessibility infrastructure contributed to tourist tensions between the poles of Lisbon and Sintra, and the intermediate areas of emerging urbanization.
“Circunvizinhanças de Lisboa” 1901, Biblioteca Nacional
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Cultural legacy and renewal opportunities
Challenges between cultural legacy and renewal opportunities

- Consolidation of cultural stereotypes with new developments of

- New possibilities of territory valorization

- Time and technical pressures reflected over new accessibility infrastructure

- Integrate different scales of action considering the traditional center Lisbon-Sintra connection and the intermediate territory
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CONCLUSIONS

- Balance between central territories and the intermediate urban fabric
- Identify constraints from the impact of accessibility infrastructure
- Large compromises including technical, administrative and political decisions
- Establish a specific entity - Task Force - synchronizing Master Plan, Regional Plan and Strategic Plan
- Plans and projects of local and regional levels including: a tourism plan for urban inter-regional competitiveness
- Recover a cultural and patrimonial route
- Production and promotion new reference icons
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THANK YOU!

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