

SICI GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2026
Lisbon, Portugal – (18) – 19 – 20 November 2026

Dear SICI members and colleagues,

On behalf of the Standing International Conference of Inspectorates (SICI) and the Inspectorate of Education and Science, we would like to invite you to the 31st SICI General Assembly which will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, on 19 and 20 November 2026.

The venue for the General Assembly will be the Museu do Centro Científico e Cultural de Macau (Museu de Macau), located at Rua da Junqueira 30, 1300-343 Lisboa.

Those attending the General Assembly are also invited to participate in a cultural site visit on the afternoon of 18 November 2026.

The SICI Executive Committee and the Portuguese Inspectorate have prepared a diverse programme designed to stimulate discussion and facilitate the exchange of experiences. The conference will explore the 2026 theme, “Future-Ready Evaluation – Innovation & System Leadership”, and provide inspiration for the continuing theme in 2027.

Please find enclosed the draft programme. The final programme and further details regarding the arrangements will be shared shortly before the conference, including through the dedicated event website: www.igec.mec.pt/sici2026.

Again, there will be opportunity for group discussion during the General Assembly. These, together with the National Coordinators’ Annual Meeting and the Chief Inspectors’ Meeting, will facilitate the sharing of good practice and promote further cooperation among SICI members. Participants will also have the opportunity to network during the networking dinner hosted by the Portuguese Inspectorate on the evening of 19 November.

If you wish to attend the event, please complete the online registration form as early as possible. The deadline for registration is Friday, 16 October 2026.

Registration link is: www.surveymonkey.com/r/sici26

Once you have registered, please remember to make your hotel reservation. As hotel accommodation in Lisbon can be quite expensive, we have negotiated special conference rates at the JAM Hotel and DH Hotel Infante Santo, both of which are easily accessible by tram or bus.

- JAM Hotel: please use the code GASICI2026 when making your reservation.
- DH Hotel Infante Santo: please use the code IGEC2026 when making your reservation.

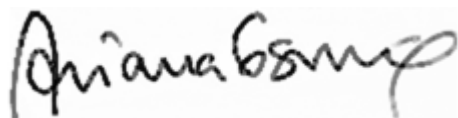
Please make your reservation by 16 October 2026 at the latest in order to benefit from the negotiated conference rates.

For those who prefer to stay closer to the conference venue, other options include Vila Galé Ópera and MACAM Hotel.

If you have any queries concerning the programme, please contact ana.pires@igec.mec.pt, gasici26@igec.mec.pt, copying the SICI Secretariat.

We look forward to welcoming you warmly to Lisbon.

Kind regards,



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