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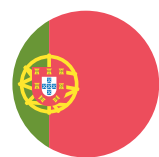
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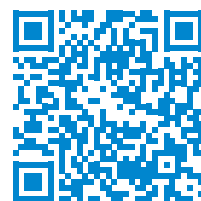
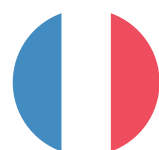
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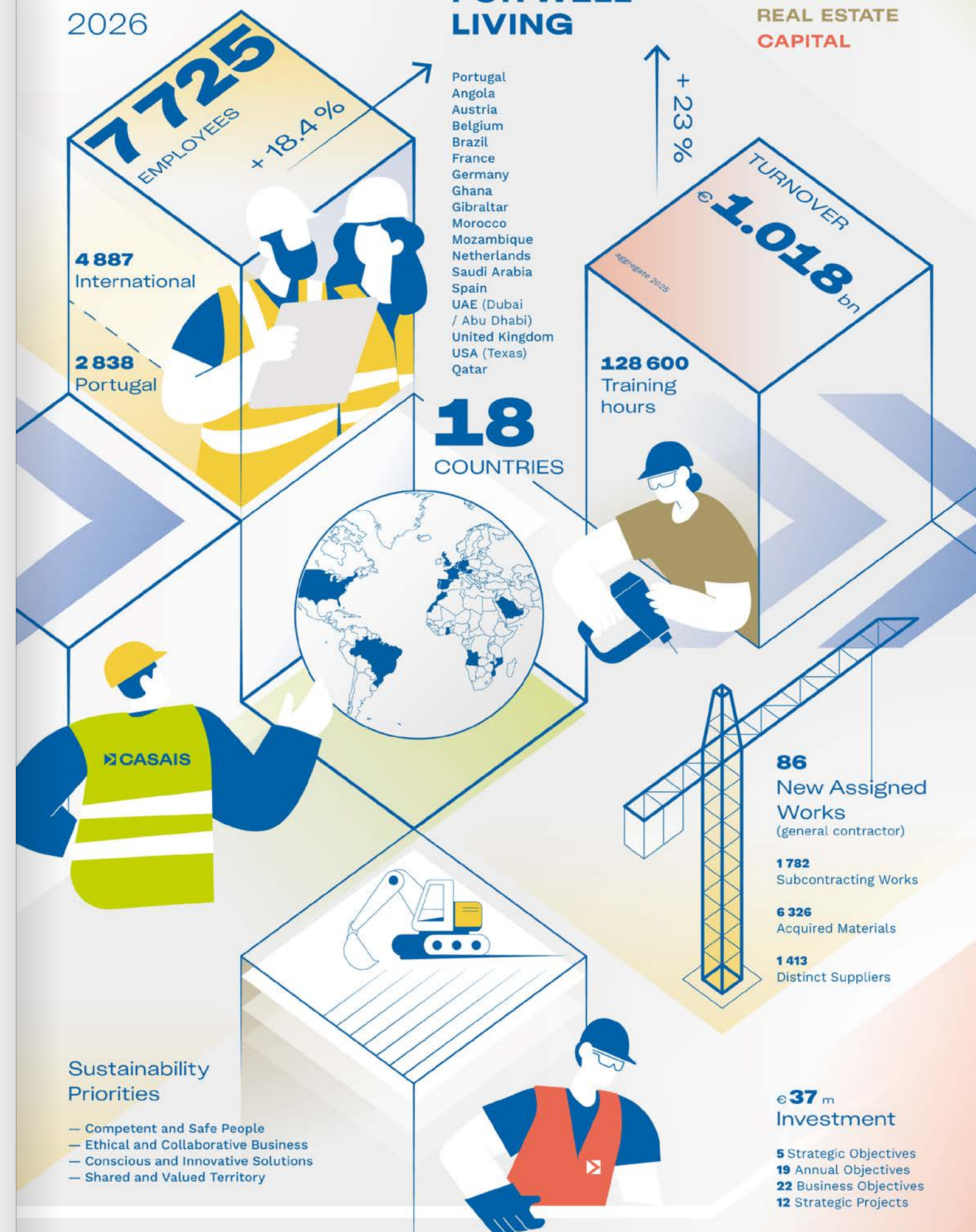


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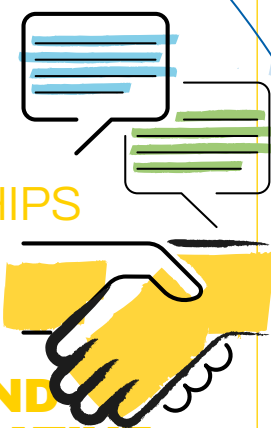


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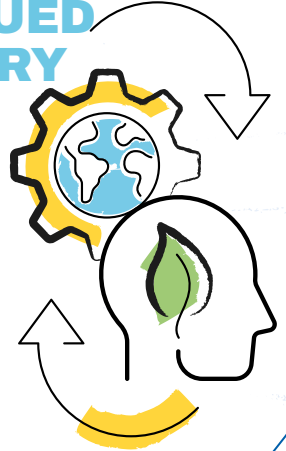
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THE NEW GENERATION OF SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS

Using a timber-hybrid construction solution, we are creating a new generation – buildings that combine efficiency and sustainability.



EDITORIAL

António Carlos Fernandes Rodrigues // Chairman of the Executive Committee – CEO

Building within to transform without

There are moments that help us reflect on the journey we have taken and, more importantly, on how we want to continue building the future. In this edition, we have brought together many such moments, which, although different in form, are united by the shared conviction that an organisation only grows on a solid footing when it develops its people, strengthens its partnerships, innovates with purpose and makes a positive impact on the communities where it operates.

We celebrated the Casais Group's 68th anniversary in an atmosphere that truly reflects who we are. Closeness, a sense of belonging and recognition are an essential part of how we work and develop. That is why initiatives such as the External Talent Factory should not be viewed in isolation. They are all part of our response to a greater challenge, that of preparing the Casais Group—and the sector—for a future that demands greater competence, adaptability and the ability to deliver.

The innovation we promote also stems from this integrated vision. The introduction of digital and robotic tools, solutions such as SuperPOD Origami, and our projects-in-progress all demonstrate that it is indeed possible to build with higher quality, greater predictability and a lower environmental impact. Innovation only makes sense when it improves processes, reduces waste, enhances the work of our teams and contributes to more efficient buildings and cities.

Yet this journey cannot be undertaken alone. By its very nature, the construction sector is a collaborative one, and the transformation we are advocating depends on a value chain that is better qualified, more ethical and better prepared. Dialogue with partners, universities, public authorities, industry associations and communities is essential to transforming complex challenges into concrete solutions.

Whether by addressing the need for housing, or by promoting engineering, urban regeneration, sustainability and the modernisation of construction processes, it is only through strong ecosystems that we can accelerate change.

Building always implies a sense of responsibility towards the future. Every construction project, every partnership, every innovation project and every in-house initiative leaves a mark that extends beyond the moment in which it takes place.

That is why we continue to ground our actions in striking a balance between People, the Planet and Productivity. We want to grow, but we want to grow in the best possible way – with better-prepared teams, more conscious solutions, stronger relationships and better-valued local areas.

Thank you, and enjoy the read.

**Ana
Fernandes**
Talent Attraction
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AMAZING COMPANIES ARE BUILT FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Against a backdrop of rapid transformation in the labour market, understanding the expectations of the younger generations is key to building stronger and more sustainable organisations. The Casais Group's recent recognition as one of the **"Most Amazing Companies in Portugal 2025/2026"** study, based on the views of around 5,500 university students, represents so much more than just a position in a ranking. It provides an opportunity to reflect on the expectations of the younger generations in relation to the labour market, and to consider the factors they value most when looking for a company where they can begin and develop their career.

Investing in people by fostering working environments where development, continuous learning, mobility and purpose go hand in hand is an essential commitment that we must continue to build upon in the communities where we operate.

Understanding what **young talent values most in organisations** is vital to the building of organisations preparing for the challenges of the future. The study's findings show that students' main concerns include a lack of professional experience, difficulties in entering the labour market, and finding opportunities that allow them to grow, learn and build a career with prospects for advancement. At the same time, their professional goals prioritise stability, continuous skills development, career progression and the opportunity to make an positive impact through their work.

These expectations align closely with the vision that the **Casais Group has been developing over the years regarding the role of organisations in people development**. We believe that attracting and retaining talent does not end once someone has been employed. The process begins much earlier, through creating opportunities for engagement with the business world, fostering close links with educational institutions, and promoting experiences that enable students to gain an insight into the professional world and develop skills that are valued by the labour market.

In this regard, the relationship between academia and business is playing an increasingly important role.

By providing learning opportunities in a real-world context, sharing specialist technical knowledge and facilitating direct contact with experienced professionals, Casais Group helps to overcome one of the main barriers to employment identified by young people: a lack of professional experience.

This collaboration takes the form of regular participation in careers fairs, knowledge-sharing sessions at universities, technical visits and programmes that enable students to engage directly with Casais Group professionals so that they can gain an understanding of the real challenges facing the construction sector.

This vision is embodied by **BLUMIND**, which forms an integral part of the **talent attraction strategy** that fosters closer ties between the Casais Group and the academic community through a range of initiatives offering students the opportunity to gain a better understanding of the sector, develop skills and engage with the professional world. In recent years, through initiatives such as **Casais Open Week**, **trainee programmes** and **participation in careers fairs**, thousands of students have gained direct insight into the reality of the Casais Group and the professions linked to the construction sector.



Showcasing this strategy in action is Casais Open Week, an initiative that opens the doors of Casais Group to the academic community, providing contact with the different business areas and current projects, while highlighting the career paths available within the organisation.

The various trainee programmes run by the Group also provide an opportunity to accelerate young people's integration into the professional world, enabling them to apply their academic knowledge, develop practical skills and gain a broader understanding of the business.

The study's findings reveal that job stability, prospects for advancement, opportunities for continuous skills development and the chance to make a positive impact within organisations are decisive factors for young people when choosing an organisation. This reinforces the importance of creating transparent career paths, learning opportunities and working environments where they can envisage their own growth and, above all, their contribution to a greater purpose.

This focus also aligns closely with Casais Group's commitment as part of its ESG strategy, in particular through the strategic priority "Competent and Safe People", which recognises people as an essential factor in promoting a solid, resilient and sustainable business.

The idea behind this strategic priority is not only to ensure safe and healthy working environments but also to create conditions that enable the continuous growth of employees throughout their professional careers.

People management and development play a central role in this strategy, through the promotion of opportunities for continuous training, internal and international mobility, skills development and professional advancement. The Group's size and diversity, spanning different geographical regions and business areas, provide varied career paths and enriching experiences that enable professionals to explore new challenges, acquire knowledge and expand their skills over time.

This capacity for continuous learning is one of the factors the younger generations value most highly.

Rather than simply finding somewhere to work, they are looking for organisations that enable them to develop, take on different challenges, assume increasing responsibilities and build career paths in line with their ambitions.

Promoting development opportunities, combined with the transfer of specialist technical knowledge and the sharing of experience accumulated over decades of activity, is one way to prepare professionals for the challenges of a sector undergoing constant transformation.

At the same time, engaging with young talent also presents a strategic opportunity for the business itself. The integration of new perspectives, different ways of thinking and new skills helps to strengthen **organisations' capacity for innovation, promote continuous improvement and respond more effectively**



to market challenges. This mutually beneficial relationship not only supports the employability and growth of young professionals, but also enhances the Casais Group's ability to adapt and evolve in an increasingly demanding and competitive environment.

The recognition achieved in the **"Most Amazing Companies in Portugal"** study therefore draws attention to the importance of continuing to invest in practices that place people at the heart of the strategy. More than simply attracting talent, it is about creating the conditions for each person to develop their potential, build a meaningful career and actively contribute to the organisation's objectives.



Because of its commitment to people, Casais Group will continue to invest in promoting talent development, strengthening links with the academic community and contributing to building a more sustainable future for people, for business and for society.



May
—
Braga, Cascais
and Quarteira,
Portugal

68TH ANIVERSARY AND FAMILY DAY



The Casais Group's 68th anniversary was marked in Portugal with a special edition of Family Day, bringing together employees and their families for a morning dedicated to celebration, sharing and recognition, at events held simultaneously in Braga, Cascais and Quarteira.

The events featured traditional Family Day activities, such as a welcome reception for families, activities for children and interactive sessions introducing the Group's technical professions, alongside the official anniversary ceremony, which included speeches by José da Silva Fernandes,

Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Casais Group, and António Carlos Rodrigues, CEO of the Casais Group. During the ceremony, which was streamed to the Group's other locations, the ElogiArte awards, in recognition of employees who have made a particular their contribution to the organisation's internal culture and values, were also presented.

#POPULAR SAINTS ARRAIAL CASAIS CELEBRATES CULTURAL TRADITIONS

Arraial Casais once again brought together employees, family members, friends and business partners at Parque da Ponte in Braga, in an event that attracted over 1,400 participants and reinforced the Casais connection with the São João festivities and with the city where Casais Group was founded.

Throughout the day, with music, entertainment, traditional games, a kids' zone, food and drink, and ample opportunity for sociali-

sing, the event once again made its mark as a celebration both of the Group's culture and the spirit of belonging. The programme also included "Sunset in the Garden" organised by Porta da Loja, and concluded with a concert by the artist Rosinha on the stage at Parque da Ponte—a contribution by the Casais Group to the programme of the São João de Braga festivities—which opened up the celebration to the people of Braga.

June
—
Braga, Portugal
Luanda, Angola





On the same day and under the same theme, in Luanda, Casais Construction brought together 532 employees for a social gathering at the end of the day, featuring music, games and entertainment.

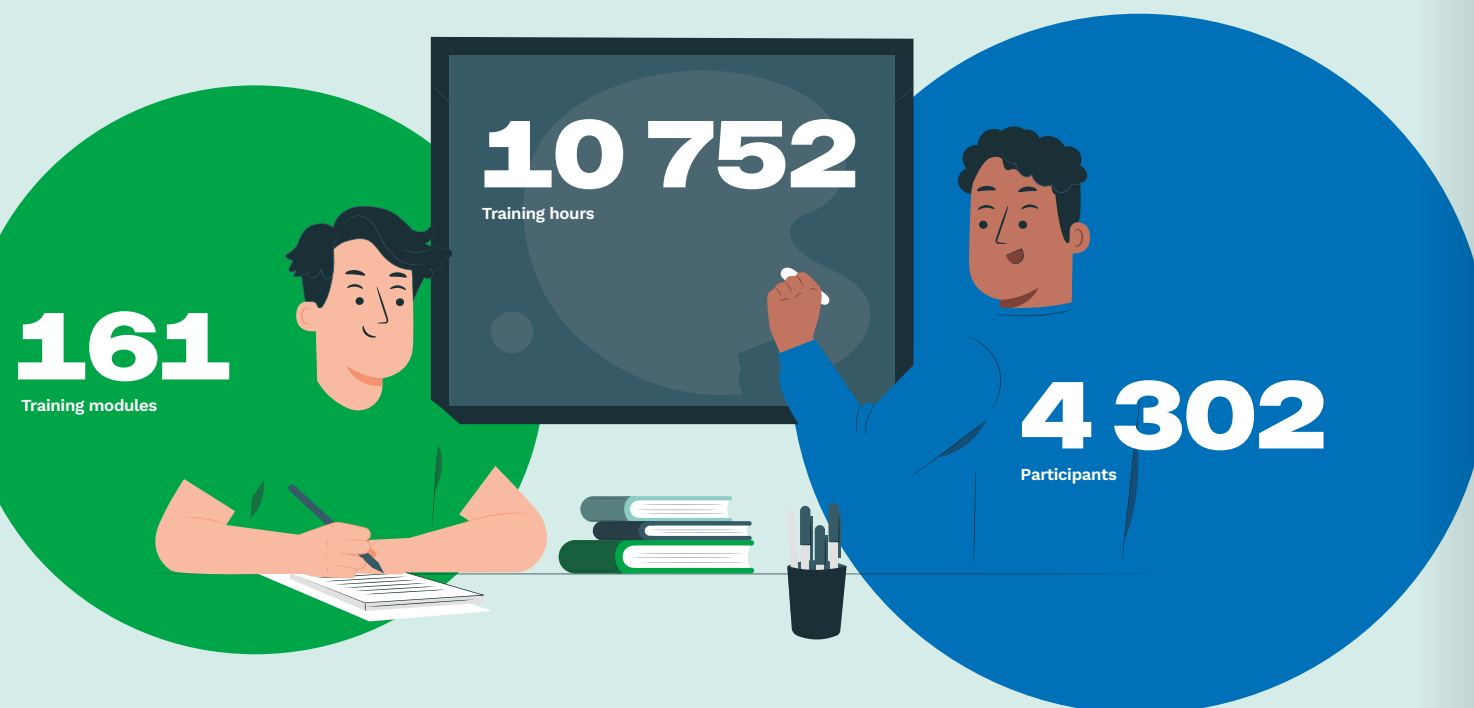


The initiative strengthened team spirit, fostered closer ties between colleagues and highlighted the value of its people.



TRAINING

APRIL — JUNE



THE CASAIS ACADEMY TRAINING PROGRAMMES - INVESTING IN PEOPLE, BUILDING THE FUTURE

Investing in people means investing in our capacity to innovate, grow and respond to the challenges of a constantly evolving sector. It is with this vision that the Casais Academy has been implementing a skills development model, based on **training pathways** that promote structured learning that is aligned with the jobs themselves and the needs of the business.

More than just a set of training courses, these training pathways constitute genuine professional development trajectories, designed to support each employee throughout their career advancement within the organisation. Through a combination of **technical training, on-the-job learning, mentoring, coaching, continuous assessment and individual development** plans, every professional has a clear pathway to develop their skills and prepare for new challenges.

Five pathways, one common purpose

This model begins with five training pathways, but the Casais Academy's ambition is greater: to progressively expand the roles covered.

Operations Management Training Pathway – For staff in the areas of Production Management and Project/Site Management, aimed at developing technical skills related to Production Management, Design and Industrialisation.

Pre-Construction Training Pathway – Aimed at teams involved in Site Preparation, Pre-Construction, Industrialisation and Surveying, with the aim of developing skills such as reading plans, costing, negotiation and construction processes.

Production Support Training Pathway – Focused on site administrative teams and the management of subcontractors and day labourers, with the aim of strengthening skills in process management, cost control and technical knowledge.

Leadership Training Pathway – Across all positions involving the leadership of teams and people, from Team Leaders to Senior Management, based on the belief that more capable leaders foster the growth and development of their teams.

Create More Training Pathway – Dedicated to the technical and practical development of operational jobs on site. Through training and practical exercises in real-world contexts, this pathway promotes the sharing of knowledge between trainers, mentors and trainees, supporting continuous development of employees throughout their career.

An ongoing commitment to people's growth

These five pathways reflect a core Casais Group principle: the development of technical and leadership skills goes hand in hand with each individual's professional growth. By making visible the path that every employee can follow—from the construction site to top-level management—the Group reinforces its commitment to continuing to build, from within too, teams that are better prepared for the challenges the sector faces.

EXTERNAL TALENT FACTORY

May
—
Luanda,
Angola

Casais Construction in Angola has launched the External Talent Factory, a pilot project initiative by the Casais Academy aimed at preparing new candidates for operational jobs to strengthen on-site teams.

The intensive training phase began on 11 May and, following this initial period, 12 trainees will enter a phase of on-site mentoring. The process is organised into four stages: recruitment, assessment, intensive training and integration on site, enabling participants to be progressively prepared for the technical, operational and cultural demands of the construction site environment.

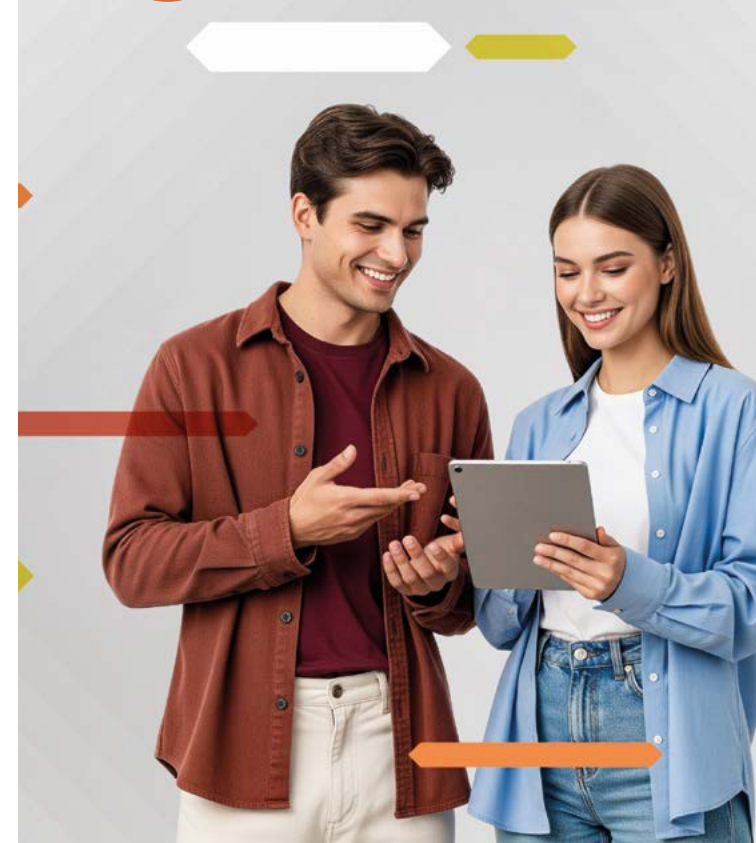


PEOPLE AND TALENT MANAGEMENT AWARD



GLOBAL FINANCE PROGRAMME INVESTS MORE IN TALENT

April
—
Braga,
Portugal



Three trainees have commenced the Global Finance Programme, a 24-month programme that includes rotations through various financial departments within the Group, such as Management Control, Finance, Accounting, Internal Audit and Business Planning, with opportunities for international experience.

This intake received 83 applications, reflecting the interest in this demanding and cross-functional programme. Throughout the programme, participants will benefit from mentoring, practical challenges and ongoing support, culminating in their integration into the Group.

The Casais Group was honoured with the SAP SuccessFactors Pioneer award. It also ranked in the Top 100 of the Most Amazing Companies in Portugal, galvanising its position in talent attraction and people management.

The SAP award recognises the Group's innovative approach to managing around 8,000 employees through the integrated implementation of the SAP SuccessFactors software solution.

Meanwhile, the award from Magma Studio received in recognition of the Group's commitment to professional development and growth brought its appeal to students and recent graduates into the spotlight.

May
—
Lisbon,
Portugal

CASAIS PARTNERS MEETING

Joni Faria
Casais Global Sourcing Manager

WHEN COLLABORATION ADDS VALUE



Some time ago, construction ceased being a straightforward question of getting the job done. These days, it has become a constant exercise in coordination, knowledge integration, risk management, innovation and the creation of collective value.

In an ever more demanding sector where the overriding imperative is to respond to economic, environmental, technological and social challenges simultaneously, one reality that transcends the scope of any single company has come to the fore:

The future of construction will be determined not so much by the quality of individual organisations, but rather by the quality of their relationships with one another.

It was precisely this conviction that gave rise to **the Casais Partners Meeting**, the third edition of which was held in April 2026. The event brought together strategic partners, suppliers, subcontractors, experts and representatives from academia to explore the key issue of how collaboration can help create greater value for everyone. Under the theme **“Academia & Business: Combining Skills, Shaping the Future”**, the event emphasised the importance of continuous learning, training and skills development and working together to develop solutions for the sector.

In many ways, the annual Casais Partners Meeting delineates how the Casais Group views its role in the market. Its vision is based on the conviction that the strongest organisations are not necessarily the largest or those with the most resources, but those that manage to mobilise skills, build trust and transform transactional relationships into genuine strategic partnerships.

For decades, business success was measured primarily by the ability to control resources, optimise operations and increase efficiency. Whilst these are still key factors, the current situation demands something more.

Today, most innovation, agility and value creation occur at the interfaces between organisations. They happen when suppliers take part in developing solutions. They happen when universities and business work in concert to create applied knowledge. And they happen when experts from different fields share their particular experiences, skills and perspectives. In short, these things happen because of constructive collaboration.

This shift in approach is particularly relevant in the construction sector, where projects are increasingly complex, multidisciplinary and demanding.

Regardless of its size, no single organisation possesses all the knowledge it requires to meet the challenges of industrialisation, digitalisation, sustainability or, indeed, the shortage of skilled labour. That is why collaboration is no longer a means to gain competitive advantage but a strategic necessity.

Over recent years, Casais Group has been developing the way it interacts with its partners. The traditional client-supplier relationship is gradually giving way to a more collaborative model based on a long-term vision.

In this new approach, **partners** are no longer seen merely as entities supplying products or services. They are becoming active agents in creating solutions, identifying opportunities for improvement and building future competitiveness.

Such a transformation requires investment from both sides, as well as transparency, commitment, the ability to learn, and, above all, **trust**.

Trust is still the key ingredient in any lasting partnership. It is what enables us to overcome challenges, manage uncertainties and create the conditions for genuine cooperation. In a sector where projects involve multidisciplinary teams, significant investment and ambitious goals, trust is not just an ethical issue, it is a factor in competitiveness.

The choice of the **Casais Academy** and the **University of Minho** as key participants in this edition of the Casais Partners Meeting was intentional. It stems from the belief that **people's skills will be one of the key distinguishing factors** for organisations in the years ahead.

Technological advances are occurring at an unprecedented pace. Artificial intelligence, industrialised construction, new materials, the digitalisation of processes and growing demands for sustainability are redefining the way we work.

Given this set of circumstances, learning has become a critical skill. Through the **Casais Academy**, Casais Group has been intensifying its commitment to promoting continuous training, collaborative learning and skills development in various technical and managerial areas.

In 2025, the Group recorded over 135,000 hours of training, involving thousands of employees and partners in an ongoing drive to enhance skills. But the true goal goes beyond the figures. The real objective is to create a culture of lifelong learning that enables organisations to adapt, innovate and grow together.

Because when a company learns, it gets better. But when a value chain learns together, it is transformed.

No strategic partnership is sustainable without a conscious alignment of its principles. In a global context where corporate social responsibility is becoming increasingly important, ethics, transparency and sustainability are no longer peripheral issues. They now occupy a central position in business decision-making.

Casais Group has been consolidating its sustainability-related commitment by integrating ESG criteria throughout the entire value chain, and promoting a culture based on integrity, corporate social responsibility and environmental protection.

The Casais **Code of Ethics and Conduct for Suppliers** sets out clear principles on matters such as business integrity, anti-corruption, human rights, working conditions, safety and environmental protection. This code embodies a vision for the future based on responsible and sustainable value creation.

Similarly, the sustainable Procurement Policy emphasises the importance of building relationships with partners who share common environmental, social and economic objectives.

The commitment to reducing the carbon footprint, the responsible management of resources, worker safety and community development is now a collective responsibility. This convergence of principles strengthens not only organisations but the entire ecosystem.

Perhaps the greatest lesson from the Casais Partners Meeting lies in a simple idea. The best partnerships are measured not only by the turnover they generate but also their capacity to create lasting value beyond the projects themselves.

- Value in the form of knowledge
- Value in the form of skills
- Value in the form of innovation
- Value in the form of trust

In an increasingly interdependent world, the organisations that thrive will not necessarily be those that can do everything on their own. Thriving organisations will be those that can mobilise communities of partners around a common purpose.



By gathering together academia, suppliers, subcontractors, specialists and in-house teams in a space for discussion and sharing, the Casais Partners Meeting is bringing this ambition to life. The event demonstrates that collaboration should not be seen as a trade-off, but as a strategic choice.

Because when knowledge is shared, the process of innovation gains momentum. Challenges become easier to overcome in an environment of trust. And when different organisations work towards a shared vision, they are able to create something greater than the sum of its parts. They create lasting value.

The future of construction will inevitably be more technological, more sustainable and more demanding. But it will also be more collaborative. And it is precisely in this collaboration that one of the greatest opportunities lies for us to continue to grow, innovate and build a stronger sector for everyone.

Because, when all is said and done, buildings might be constructed by a handful of individual companies working on the same project, but the future is built through partnership.



CONNECT TO BUILD DISCUSSES BUILD TO RENT



The Salão Imobiliário de Portugal, SIL, the Portuguese property fair, was the venue for the “Build to Rent: From Opportunity to Execution” conference, part of the first Connect to Build session of 2026. During the session, António Carlos Rodrigues, CEO of the Casais Group, emphasised the urgent need to move from discussion to action, highlighting Build-to-Rent as a structural answer to increasing the supply of housing in the rental market. The partnership between the Casais Group and Sonae Sierra partnership was presented as an important step towards

developing Portugal’s first 100% privately-funded Build-to-Rent project, reinforcing the importance of industrialisation, scale and a robust ecosystem of partners to transform the sector.

At the same time, the Casais Group also attended Tektónica, where it hosted Casais Talks, a series of pitches on the various projects, solutions and business areas that make up the Group. In doing so, it was possible to bring the sector together to discuss concrete solutions to speed up the response to the housing crisis in Portugal.

April
—
Lisbon,
Portugal

INTRODUCING THE CONSTRUCTION FOUNDATION

June
—
Lisbon,
Portugal

The Fundação da Construção (Construction Foundation), which aims to contribute to the promotion of engineering and construction in Portugal, was publicly launched at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation in Lisbon.

The Casais Group is one of the founding companies behind this initiative, which intends to promote knowledge, innovation and sustainable development within the sector. António Carlos Rodrigues, CEO of the Casais Group, has been appointed chair of the Founders’ Council. As part of the launch ceremony, Nuno Fernandes, managing director of the Casais Group, took part in the session which discussed “The true potential of Portuguese architecture and engineering in the domestic and international markets”.



INSTITUTIONAL VISITS REINFORCE POSITIONING

— Braga, Portugal
Angola,
Riyadh, Saudi
Arabia

Operations with the Casais Group have received various official visits, which serve to underscore recognition of its ability to deliver and its standing in the markets where it operates.

In Portugal, the Casais Offsite & Technology Hub hosted the Secretary of State for Infrastructure, Hugo Espírito Santo, and the President of the Order of Engineers, Fernando de Almeida Santos, at a meeting dedicated to presenting industrialised, digital and integrated solutions capable of addressing the challenges facing the construction sector. The visit highlighted the importance of industrialisation and value chain integration in strengthening production capacity, quality and



adherence to project deadlines. Also in Portugal, the controlled-cost housing project in Cerrado da Mira, Amadora received a visit from a European Parliament delegation as part of an assessment of the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Plan. The project was presented as an example of the execution of structural investment, demonstrating the ability to address one of the main urban challenges: access to housing.

In Angola, projects in progress continue to welcome international institutional bodies, such as Business France Angola, enabling the impact of the infrastructure developed to be showcased, particularly in terms of improving the water supply and improving the living conditions of communities.



Meanwhile, in Saudi Arabia, Casais Entrez hosted the Portuguese Ambassador, Luísa Fragoso, at a meeting focused on presenting projects and market opportunities aligned with Vision 2030.

SUPERPOD ORIGAMI WHEN INDUSTRIALISATION SIMPLIFIES CONSTRUCTION

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Technology
Manager



The construction industry today faces unprecedented challenges. Labour shortages, the need to shorten turnaround times, cost pressures and growing demands for sustainability are forcing the sector to find new ways of designing and constructing buildings. In this context, industrialisation is no longer merely a trend but has emerged as a strategic factor in competitiveness.

It was precisely from this vision that SuperPOD Origami was born – a solution developed by Blufab in collaboration with BluMEP, Quadrina, Undel, HidroCNT and Carpin – which demonstrates how collaboration between different disciplines can transform the way we build.

More than just a product, the SuperPOD Origami offers a new way of thinking about construction. Some of the most complex tasks are prone to inconsistencies when executed on site; now they are carried out in an industrial environment, where quality, control and predictability are significantly higher.



The solution brings the essential technical elements of a home—sanitary facilities, a kitchenette and technical infrastructure—together in a single system, thereby reducing interfaces between trades, simplifying assembly and increasing construction efficiency. This approach addresses the sector's current challenges without limiting architectural freedom, as the system can be adapted to different building types, materials and finishes.



Aside from the technology used, the true innovation of SuperPOD Origami lies in the paradigm shift it represents.

By transferring critical work to the factory, it is possible to reduce waste, minimise repeat work, improve quality and make processes more predictable. These are benefits that generate value for all stakeholders in the value chain: developers, designers, builders and end users.

Another distinguishing feature of the SuperPOD Origami solution is its flexibility. Depending on the characteristics of each project, the system can be supplied fully assembled or as prefabricated components, making it suitable for both new builds and refurbishment projects, where logistical constraints are often more demanding.

The development of SuperPOD Origami also highlights the value of collaboration within the Casais ecosystem. The involvement of various companies within the Group has made it possible to bring together complementary skills and develop an integrated solution, demonstrating that innovation often stems from the ability to work together and combine different areas of expertise.

This vision has been recognised by the market, in that the SuperPOD Origami won the Tektónica Innovation Award in the New Construction Processes category and was also honoured at the Portugal Smart Cities – António Almeida Henriques Awards in the Sustainable and Smart Urban Regeneration category. These accolades reinforce the solution's potential to address current challenges in the construction sector and validate the Casais Group's commitment to industrialisation as a driver of innovation.

More important than the awards themselves, however, is that they confirm that the sector is ready to adopt new approaches and that innovation only creates real value when it addresses specific needs.



Conscious and Innovative Solutions



Casais Group

The next step will be to take this solution to the construction site through the implementation of a pilot project, to bring this technological development even closer to real-world application. This will be an opportunity to assess the system's performance and continue to develop it based on practical experience.

The SuperPOD Origami embodies the Casais Group's ambition to lead the transformation of the construction industry through industrialisation, collaboration and innovation.

In a sector that is constantly evolving, solutions such as this demonstrate that building better is not just about developing new technologies, but about rethinking the entire construction process to make it more efficient, sustainable and better equipped to meet the challenges of the future.



DIGITALISATION, STEPPING UP WITH SPOT ROBOT

June
—
Braga,
Portugal

The Casais Group has moved forward with a pilot project to integrate Boston Dynamics' Spot robot into its construction sites, as it continues to invest in digitalisation, automation and smart data collection to support operational management.

The technology enables 360° surveys to be carried out, the generation of point clouds, monitoring of construction progress, and comparison of the design model with the built reality, thereby augmenting traceability, predictability and decision support. On site, the Spot robot can also assist with inspection activities in areas that are difficult to access or pose a higher risk for people, so freeing up teams for tasks with greater added value.



MISSION ROOM IMPROVES COORDINATION WHEN PREPARING INDUSTRIALISED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

June
—
Braga,
Portugal



The Mission Room, based at the Casais Offsite & Technology Hub in Braga, centralises the coordination required to launch industrialised construction projects, bringing together areas such as design, BIM, planning, budgeting, procurement and industrialisation under one roof.

This model enables the alignment of teams, identification of risks and decision-making in an integrated fashion before construction begins, thereby transforming information into coordinated action and increasing the predictability and efficiency of the project. This approach was applied during the preparation of the Build-to-Rent project in Carvalhido, highlighting how integrated coordination contributes to a more controlled, collaborative and results-oriented construction process.

AWARD-WINNING PROJECTS IN INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

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Braga,
Lisbon,
Portugal

The Casais Group's projects and operations have been recognised by various national initiatives, in acknowledgement of their performance in the areas of sustainability, innovation and urban regeneration.

The Confiança university student residence won the Sustainable Cities, Large Organisations category of the National Sustainability Award, highlighting how urban regeneration and resource efficiency contributes to the creation of high-quality housing solutions.

The Alfama 83 project was also recognised at the SIL Awards, in the Urban Regeneration – Housing category, putting the spotlight on the enhancement of heritage through the integration of contemporary solutions.

In addition, Casais Construction has been awarded INOVADORA EVOLUTION 2026 status, which recognises companies with high levels of innovation, economic performance and commitment to sustainability that demonstrate their ability to combine strategic vision with effective implementation.

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URBAN OASIS BUILDING QUALITY OF LIFE IN CITIES



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Casais Gibraltar recently had the privilege of being a key sponsor of the **Urban Oasis Awards**, an initiative that celebrates projects capable of transforming urban spaces into places that are more sustainable, attractive and meaningful to the community.

Aside from the competitive aspect, this initiative sparked an important debate on one of the greatest current challenges:

How can contemporary cities continue to grow without compromising people's quality of life?

This question takes on particular significance in a territory such as Gibraltar. Covering just over six square kilometres, every new project is an opportunity, but shoulders the responsibility of making a positive contribution to the territory. Urban growth is inevitable, but the way we choose to grow will determine the city we leave to future generations.

At a time when cities are facing ever-greater challenges relating to urban densification, climate change and a shortage of available space, it is essential that we rethink the way we design the places where we live, work and socialise.

Perhaps the greatest difficulty is not to find more space, but to create better spaces.



WHAT IS AN URBAN OASIS?

When we hear the term “urban oasis”, we often picture a large garden or an urban park. The concept is much broader, however.

An urban oasis can take many forms: a public space that encourages people to come together, a green roof that promotes biodiversity, a school designed to provide healthier environments for future generations, or a residential development that integrates nature into the daily lives of its residents.

The common thread is simple: all these spaces help to improve people's quality of life and create more sustainable, resilient and people-centred cities.

The projects submitted to the Urban Oasis Awards have demonstrated precisely this. Sustainability does not depend exclusively on major investments or complex interventions. Often, it begins with a simple idea, a creative solution or a small transformation that generates a lasting positive impact on the community.

BUILDING QUALITY OF LIFE

For many years, construction was primarily associated with the creation of buildings and infrastructure. Today, that vision is necessarily more broadly defined.

The projects we develop shape the urban landscape, influence the way people experience spaces and have a direct impact on the well-being of communities. So, concepts such as sustainability, comfort, biodiversity and the integration of nature are no longer viewed merely as complementary elements but have become essential factors in the way we design and build cities.

It is about more than just constructing buildings; it is about building quality of life.

And it is precisely this vision that has guided many of the projects developed by Casais Construction in Gibraltar.

DIFFERENT WAYS OF CREATING AN URBAN OASIS

One of the most interesting messages to emerge from the Urban Oasis Awards was that there is no single way to create an urban oasis. Each project can contribute in its own unique way to making cities more sustainable and pleasant for those who live in them.

SPACES THAT PROMOTE WELL-BEING AND LEARNING

The cities of the future will need to be designed with people in mind at every stage of their lives. And few spaces have as much impact on the quality of life in communities as schools.

The New Waterport Schools, Bishop Fitzgerald School and Governor's Meadow School projects are clear examples of how a building can serve a purpose far beyond its primary function. More than just spaces dedicated to learning, they have been designed to provide modern, safe and inspiring environments for pupils, teachers and the entire educational community.



SMALL ACTIONS, BIG IMPACTS

Perhaps the greatest lesson from the Urban Oasis Awards is that sustainability does not have to be complex or grandiose.

Sometimes, it starts with a green roof, a carefully designed outdoor space, a school that encourages contact with nature, or a construction solution that improves the quality of the urban environment.

When added together, these small decisions have the power to exert a profound transformation on the way we live and experience our cities.

More than just a trend, this is a shared responsibility between businesses, public authorities and the general public.



In addition to classrooms and communal areas, these projects incorporate a variety of green spaces and carefully planned outdoor areas that promote contact with nature, encourage the use of outdoor spaces and contribute to the physical and emotional well-being of their users.

In a densely urbanised area such as Gibraltar, the integration of these spaces takes on added importance, demonstrating that investing in education is also an investment in the quality of life of future generations.

SUSTAINABILITY WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT

When we think of urban sustainability, a car park is hardly the first place that springs to mind. Yet, the St. Joseph's Car Park project provides clear evidence that the most innovative solutions can emerge in the most unexpected places.

The inclusion of a green roof in this project helps to promote biodiversity, improve the building's environmental performance and increase the presence of natural elements within the urban fabric.

Small design decisions can have significant environmental and social impacts, even in spaces whose main purpose is not directly linked to leisure or nature.

BRINGING PEOPLE CLOSER TO NATURE

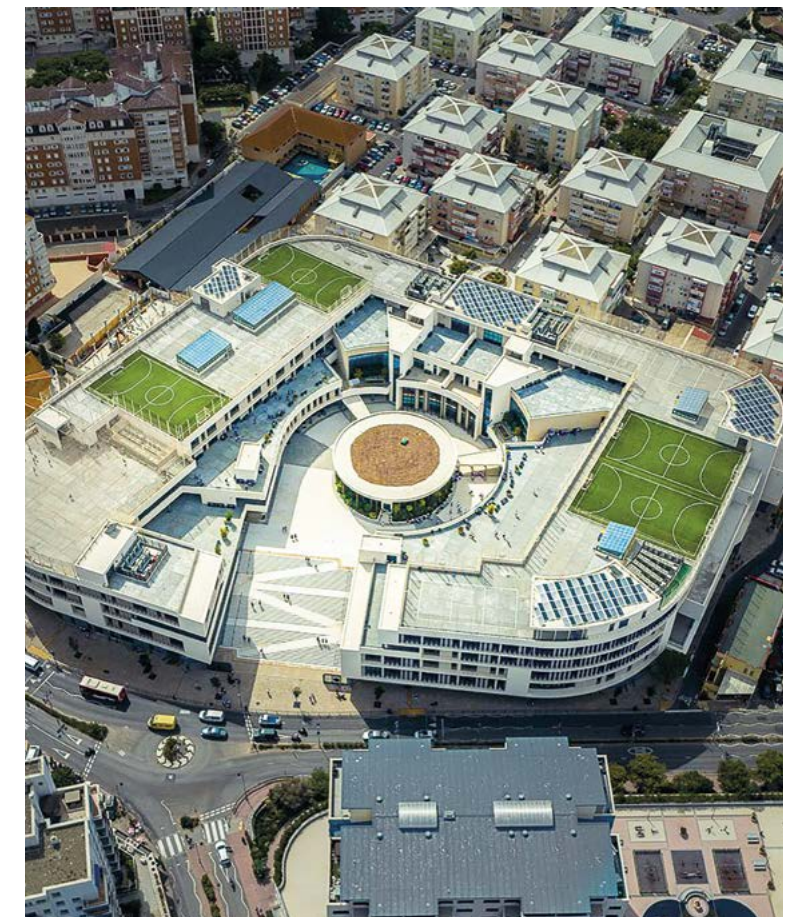
The Alameda Biodome is an excellent example of how a space can transcend its primary function and take on an important educational and environmental role.

More than just a place to visit, the Biodome provides a learning experience that brings residents and visitors closer to biodiversity and the challenges associated with its conservation. In a place like Gibraltar, where natural heritage is of unique value, projects such as this help to strengthen the connection between people and their environment.

BETTER LIVING IN CITIES

Quality of life in cities is also shaped by the spaces where we live our daily lives.

The Reserve project demonstrates how architecture, landscaping and green spaces can be integrated to create more comfortable, balanced and sustainable residential environments. In an increasingly dense urban context, the creation of high-quality outdoor spaces and the enhancement of nature are key elements in promoting residents' well-being and improving their day-to-day experience.



BUILDING A POSITIVE LEGACY

As cities continue to grow, it will become even more important to create spaces that balance urban development, environmental responsibility and social well-being.

Casais Gibraltar's support for the Urban Oasis Awards reflects precisely this vision: the belief that every project, regardless of its scale, provides an opportunity to create value for the territory and for communities.

Because construction is not just about erecting buildings. It is about creating spaces that enable people to live better, learn, work, socialise and build their future.

Ultimately, the cities of the future will not be defined by the buildings we construct, but by the quality of the spaces we choose to create.



AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN AZURÉM

April
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Guimarães,
Portugal

In collaboration with Guimarães City Council, a sale and purchase agreement has been signed for the acquisition of 75 self-contained units in Azurém, intended for projects under the 1.º Direito – Support Programme for Access to Housing.

Casais Construction will be responsible for building the development, helping to increase the boost the availability of public housing in the municipality. The project includes various different types of residential dwellings as well as green spaces, in an area between the Vimaranes housing estate and the Azurém roundabout, and is designed to promote better living conditions and urban regeneration.



REFURBISHMENT OF THE ORDER OF ENGINEERS OFFICES

April
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Porto,
Portugal

Constru took part in the official launch of the refurbishment works on the headquarters of the Order of Engineers – Norte Region, in Porto, a project that will transform the building into a modern, high-tech and multifunctional space, equipped to meet the challenges of future generations of engineers.

The ceremony was attended by António Carlos Rodrigues, CEO of the Casais Group, Pedro Duarte, Mayor of Porto, and Bento Aires, President of the Order of Engineers – Norte Region. Combining technical precision, innovation and conservation of cultural heritage, this project underlines the role of engineering in urban development and contributes to the modernisation of Porto's city centre.



ESPAÇO U AT THE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OF COIMBRA

May
—
Coimbra,
Portugal



Casais Construction is building Espaço U at the Polytechnic Institute of Coimbra, a project that will provide 240 accommodation units for 400 residents and increase the availability of student accommodation in the region.

This project is integrating industrialised solutions that improve the efficiency, quality and predictability of construction, one of which is the CREE timber-hybrid solution featuring structural components made of a timber and concrete composite that are manufactured off site. The project also includes toilet pods developed by Blufab, which are factory-produced and delivered ready for installation, thereby reducing on-site interfaces, improving adherence to deadlines and ensuring greater precision in construction.



PORTA DA LOJA PROMOTES LOCAL PRODUCE AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

June
—
Braga,
Portugal

Porta da Loja was named one of the three winners of the 2025 edition of the Compal Fruitology Centre Academy, receiving a grant to support its agricultural operations.

The award recognises the commitment to quality, identity and the promotion of a traditional Portuguese variety, as well as the use of the fruit to create value-added products. The grant will enable the expansion of the production area, an increase in production capacity as well as better storage facilities.

At the same time, the brand has launched Cidroncello, an aromatic liqueur made from lemon cider, from fruit typical of the Minho region. Served chilled or over ice, it has an intense citrus profile, balanced by a smooth and slightly sweet finish, enhancing the range with a product that showcases the region's flavours.



Casais Construction in Angola was on the ground in Benguela province, supporting the response to the heavy rains and flooding that affected the region during April.

Working in conjunction with local authorities, priority work was carried out to restore access routes, clear roads and reopen drainage ditches, covering areas such as the mouth of the River Cavaco, the Navegantes Bridge, Ombaka Stadium, the Industrial Zone, the Quioche neighbourhood, Morena Beach and the Luz neighbourhood. These measures helped to restore traffic flow, safety and normality in the most affected areas.

April
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Benguela,
Angola

CASAIS CONSTRUCTION HELPS BENGUELA

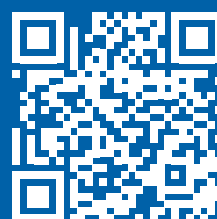


NEW CORPORATE VIDEO FROM THE CASAIS GROUP

The Casais Group's new corporate video is now available, reflecting the vision, ambition and capability that drive the organisation every day.

Under the slogan "Building with purpose", the video highlights how each project presents an opportunity to do better, with greater innovation, greater precision and a lasting positive impact.

Watch it here



360° SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION FOR EXECUTIVES

April
—
Braga,
Portugal

The FMC Exec: 360° Sustainable Construction 2026 provided two days of intensive training for executives in Braga, led by José Dinis Silvestre and Marco Brazão Pedroso.

Over the course of 12 training hours, participants explored environmental sustainability in construction across three different domains: product – from carbon footprints to environmental statements; construction sites – from life-cycle assessment to certification schemes; and organisation – from ESG reporting to the integration of decarbonisation into corporate strategy. The programme was designed for practical application, with a direct impact on the day-to-day operations of organisations.



FMC TALKS DISCUSSES DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

April,
May
—
Braga,
Portugal



The Mestre Casais Foundation organised two editions of FMC Talks, focusing on key issues for local development and the response of the public sector to increasingly demanding contexts.

One of the sessions featured Álvaro Santos, Chair of the Norte Regional Coordination and Development Commission, and focused on such regional development challenges as territorial cohesion, the implementation of NORTE 2030 and the importance of coordination between institutions, local authorities and businesses so that investment is transformed into tangible impacts.

In another session, focusing on the health sector, Xavier Barreto, President of the Portuguese Association of Hospital Administrators, addressed the main challenges facing the system, highlighting the pressure on resources, management models and the impact of strategic decisions on the provision of care to the public.

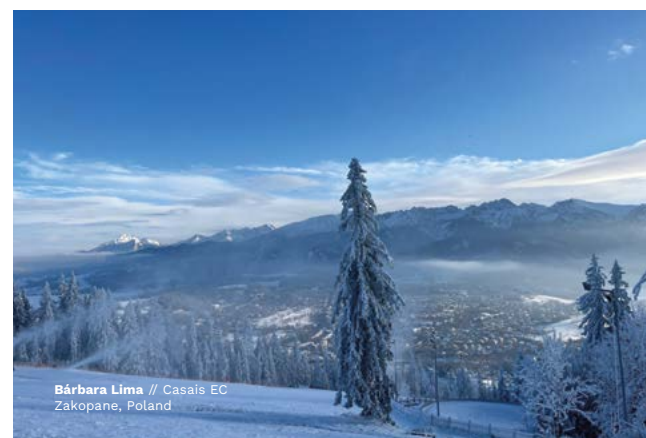


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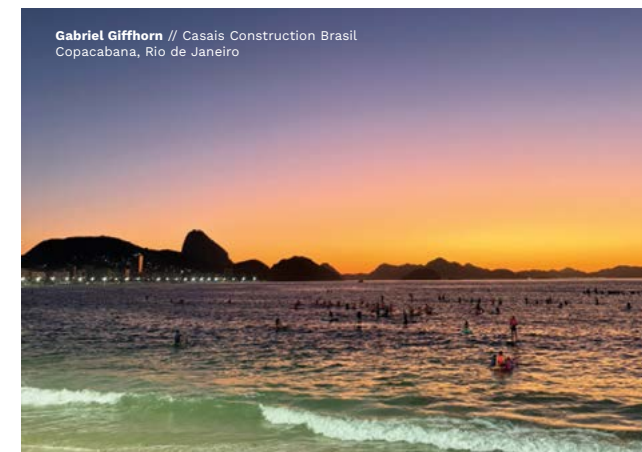
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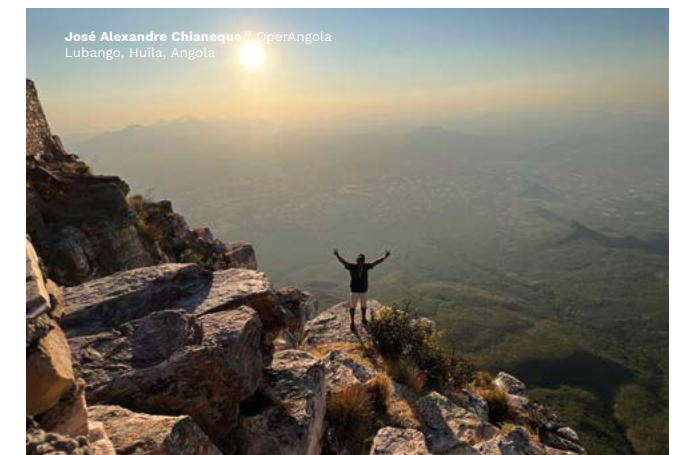
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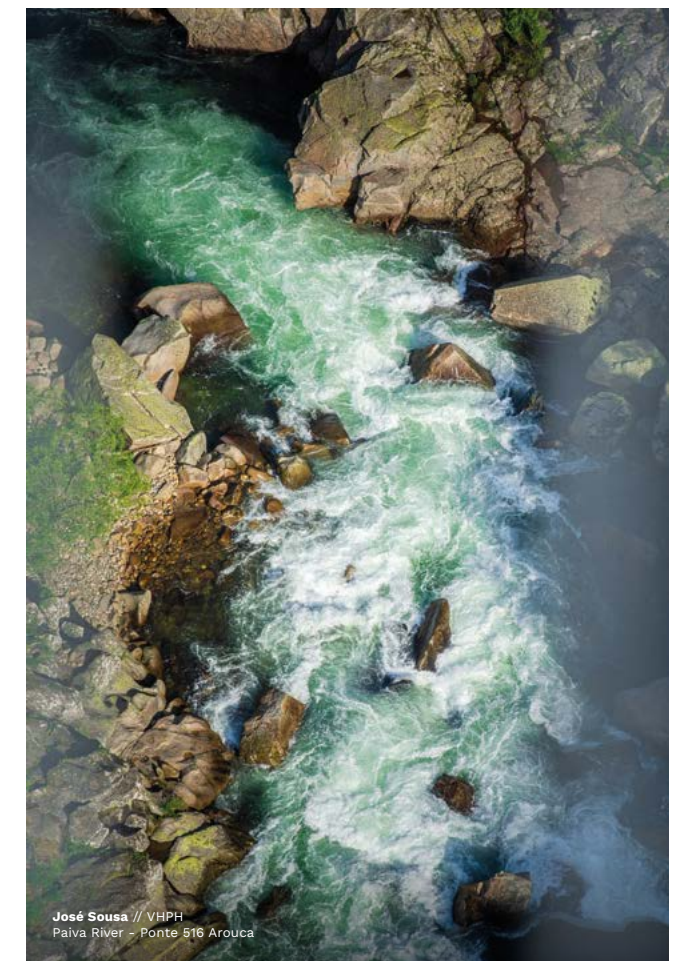
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