



## António Cunha

António M. Cunha was born in Braga, Portugal, in 1961.

Graduate in Industrial Engineering (1984) and doctor in Polymer Engineering in 1991.

Full Professor of the Polymer Engineering Department of University of Minho (UMinho, <https://www.uminho.pt>).

Research activity at IPC (Institute for Polymers and Composites, <http://ipc.uminho.pt>), with projects in national and European programmes, in the polymer engineering and digital manufacturing. Author of 120 refereed ISI-WoS papers, 3 books (editor) and 4 patents.

Rector of University of Minho, 2009-17.

President of the Portuguese Rectors Conference, <http://www.crup.pt/>, 2014-17.

Member of the Conselho Nacional da Educação (Portuguese Education Council), 2010-14 and of the Research Policy Working Group of the European University Association, 2013-17.

Chairman of CEER Foundation of Northern Portugal / Galician Universities, <http://www.fceer.org/>, 2010-16 and of Instituto Internacional Casa de Mateus, <http://www.iicm.pt/>, 2010-16.

Dean of the School of Engineering of UMinho from 2005-09.

President of the Collaborative Laboratory on Digital Transformation, [www.dtx-colab.pt](http://www.dtx-colab.pt), since 2018.

Co-founder and Executive Board Member of PIEP (Innovation in Polymer Engineering, <http://www.piep.pt/>), from 2001-09, and CEIIA (Centre for Engineering and Product Development, <https://www.ceiia.com/>), from 2005-09 and after 2018.

Board member of INL (Iberian Nanotechnology Institute), <http://inl.int/>, since 2012, MIT-Portugal Program <https://www.mitportugal.org/>, since 2013, Bosch-UMinho Partnership, since 2014, MACC (Minho Advanced Computing Centre), since 2018, and High Level Scientific Committee of the Atlantic International Satellite Launch Programme <http://www.atlanticsatelliteprogramme.org/>, since 2019.

Chairman of COTEC-Portugal Advisory Board, <http://www.cotecportugal.pt/>, from 2015-18.

Member of the Portuguese Engineering Academy.

Golden Insignia of the University of Santiago de Compostela, 2013.

Gold Medal and Honorary Citizen of Guimarães, 2017; and Gold Medal of the city of Braga, 2018.

Medal of Scientific Merit of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education, Portugal, 2018.

Grã-Cruz (Great Cross) of the Portuguese Order of Merit of Public Education, 2018.