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PROGRAMME |

FINE WORKGROUP | 19–20 NOVEMBER 2026, PORTO, PORTUGAL

TOGETHER FOR TOMORROW ***Rethinking Nursing Education in Europe***

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PROGRAMME | DAY 1 | 19 NOVEMBER 2026

08H30 | PARTICIPANT CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION

Participants are welcome to check in and complete their registration before the Opening Ceremony. The Registration & Welcome Desk opens at 08h30.

09H30 – 10H15 | WELCOME & OPENING CEREMONY | AUDITORIUM

10H15 – 11H15 | CONFERENCE | AUDITORIUM

***Nursing education and nurse educators as cornerstones of the profession:
Why educators matter for the future of nursing?***

Chair: Maria Cassar (FINE, Malta)

Keynote: Heather Herdman (INKA, USA)

11H15 – 11H45 | COFFEE BREAK AND NETWORKING

11H45 – 12H45 | INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION | AUDITORIUM

***Educating the nursing workforce of tomorrow:
Challenges, priorities, and future directions***

Moderation: Cécile Dury (FINE, Belgium)

Keynote: Anabela Coelho (University of Évora, Portugal)

Fiona Timmins (University College Dublin, Ireland)

Khrystyna Chaika (Technical Officer - Service Delivery&Human Resources for Health - WHO Country Office in Ukraine)

Pavlina Guk (National Professional Officer Nursing and Midwifery, WHO Country Office in Ukraine)

Audience participation and Q&A included.



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12H45 – 14H30 | LUNCH

14H30 – 16H00 | WORKGROUP | AUDITORIUM

Building a European Observatory for Nursing Education: Co-creating the Future Together

Session facilitators: Sara Pinto (FINE, Portugal)
Mirko Prosen (FINE, Slovenia)

16H00 – 16H30 | COFFEE BREAK AND NETWORKING

16H30 – 17H30 | POSTER SESSION | AUDITORIUM

Moderation: Dimitris Thoefanidis (FINE, Greece)
Ana Teixeira (University of Braga, Portugal)

17H30 – 19H00 | CONFERENCE GROUP PHOTO AND FINGER FOOD BUFFET

Coffee breaks, lunches, and the evening finger food buffet are included in the registration fee for all participants.



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PROGRAMME | DAY 2 | 20 NOVEMBER 2026

08H45 – 09H30 | MEET THE EXPERT | ROOM

Moderation: Ana Ramos (Polytechnic University of Setúbal, Portugal)
Session to master and PhD students

08H45 – 09H30 | FINE GENERAL ASSEMBLY | AUDITORIUM

09H30 – 10H30 | CONFERENCE | AUDITORIUM

European priorities for a resilient nursing education: A collaborative agenda

Chair: Jean-François Jézégou (FINE, France)
Keynote: Fiona Timmins (University College Dublin, Dublin)

10H30 – 11H00 | COFFEE BREAK AND NETWORKING

11H00 – 12H15 | INNOVATION FORUM | AUDITORIUM

How Is nursing education evolving to meet future health needs?

Moderation: Maria do Céu Barbieri (ICBAS, Portugal)
Helga Bragadóttir (FINE, Iceland)

12H15 – 13H30 | LUNCH



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PROGRAMME | DAY 2 | 20 NOVEMBER 2026

13H30 – 16H30 | WORKSHOPS (HANDS-ON)

*Speaking the same language:
Train-the-trainer workshops on nursing classifications*

WORKSHOP A | AUDITORIUM

The INKA/ NANDA case

Facilitators:

INKA, USA

WORKSHOP B | ROOM

The ICNP/ Nursing ontology case

Facilitators:

NursingOntos group (Nursing School, University of Porto, Portugal)

Please note that attendees will attend both workshops, rotating during the session.

16H30 – 17H00 | CLOSING SESSION | AUDITORIUM

Best poster award

Best oral communication award

Honorary FINE awards

Announcement of the next FINE conference

Closing remarks

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DR. T. HEATHER HERDMAN has served as the Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of NANDA International – now the International Nursing Knowledge Association – since 2008, following her work as Director of Diagnosis Development, President-Elect, and President. Her background is in quality within tertiary hospital and outpatient clinic sites, in addition to administration in home health and hospice settings. Her clinical background is neonatal intensive care, high risk antenatal, and labor and delivery. Her PhD and MS were received from Boston College (USA) and her BSN from the University of South Carolina (Columbia, USA).

She has published extensively on standardized nursing language, especially related to nursing diagnosis, and lectures internationally on clinical reasoning, linking assessment to diagnosis, and clinical validation of diagnoses. She is lead editor of the *NANDA International definitions and classification* textbook, currently in its 13th edition, and is one of the co-leads on developing the Clinical Reasoning Framework within NANDA 360. She remains actively involved in the Classification Development Committee within INKA. Dr. Herdman previously held roles as Associate Professor at University of Wisconsin – Green Bay, and has had visiting professor positions at the Federal University of São Paulo and the Federal University of Ceará (Brazil).



DR. FIONA TIMMINS PhD, MSc, MA, FFNRC SI, FAAN, BNS, BSc (Open Health & Social Care), BA (Open), RNT, RGN

Dr Timmins is Professor of Nursing, Dean, and Head of School at the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems, University College Dublin, Ireland. She is Editor in Chief of the *Public Health Nursing Journal* and an Honorary Editorial Advisor, at the *Journal of Advanced Nursing*. She is a competent researcher who has led several interdisciplinary, international research teams over a 25-year period.

She has 25 years' experience of teaching and leadership within the university sector, having held several senior management roles. She has also examined 23 PhD theses and held 16 External Examiner posts in the UK and Ireland. She has been involved in several national and international university Quality Reviews and chaired two of these.



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As one of the first nurse academics in Ireland to hold an international Editor in Chief position, Dr Timmins has 15 years of high-level editing experience, including representation on several international Editorial Boards.

Dr Timmins has published numerous papers, with 270 peer-reviewed papers listed in Scopus. Most of these (72%) represent collaborations with international colleagues. This has meant a meaningful contribution to international debates and policy within *nursing* (person-centred care, information and support requirements of cardiac patients and spiritual care provision) and *nurse education* (e.g., management of absenteeism/student stress and nurse portfolio/reflective practice). Scival (2025) outlined her research topics as follows:

- Spiritual Care in Nursing Practice and Education
- Nursing Staff Impact on Patient Safety Outcomes
- Workplace Violence and Nurse Well-Being in Healthcare
- Enhancing Evidence Based Practices Globally
- Nursing Education and Professional Development in Health Care

She has written or co-authored 11 textbooks, and 8 book chapters. Her publications have received 4,013 recorded citations, representing citations from 106 regions globally.

Her field weighted citation impact is 2.52. Within the last five years 33% of her publications were in the top 10% most cited worldwide. 50% were in the top 10% of Journals worldwide and 72% of her peer-reviewed publications were with international colleagues. Her H-index (Scopus) is 35.

She is currently the top author in the subject of *Nursing*, within the Irish Universities. Her research lies within two distinct but overlapping themes: teaching and learning and professional nursing issues. She has presented widely on these topics: more than 250 international conferences papers, 140 invited papers and workshops, and her research replicated & cited widely across the globe.



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DR. KHRYSTYNA CHAIKA (MD, PhD, MLL) is a Technical Officer for Service Delivery and Human Resources for Health at the WHO Country Office in Ukraine. She works with the Ministry of Health and partners on health workforce planning, education, retention and access to services.



PAVLINA GUK, Technical Officer Nursing and Midwifery, at the WHO Country Office in Ukraine.

She is a Technical Officer for Nursing and Midwifery at the WHO Country Office in Ukraine. She works with the Ministry of Health and partners to strengthen nursing and midwifery through education, professional development, leadership and the development of standards and policies, with a focus on improving the quality and accessibility of health services.



DR. ANABELA COELHO holds a PhD in International Health, with a Master's in Public Health and Community Nursing, she is an Associate Professor with Aggregation at the University of Évora and a researcher at the Comprehensive Health Research Centre. She coordinates the "Patient Reported Outcomes and Experience Measure" project and has extensive experience in health policy, quality of care, and patient safety at both national and international levels.

She has served as an invited expert for the OECD and the European Commission, and held leadership roles within the Portuguese Ministry of Health, contributing to major national strategies and programs in quality, integrated care, innovation, and rare diseases. Her work includes participation in international working groups, editorial board membership, and supervision of postgraduate students, alongside a strong publication record.

Scientific keywords: Health Policy; Patient Safety; Integrated Care; Quality of Care; Patient-Reported Outcomes



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION |



VENUE AND LOCATION

Edifício Abel Salazar
University of Porto
Largo do Professor Abel Salazar, 24
4050-456 Porto, Portugal

Located in the heart of Porto's historic centre, the venue is within walking distance of key city

landmarks and easily accessible by public transport. Its central location allows participants to combine the scientific programme with the experience of Porto's UNESCO World Heritage city centre.

Porto is one of the largest cities in Portugal and the second-largest metropolitan area in the country. It is a historic and vibrant city, known for its UNESCO-listed city centre, the Douro River, and its rich cultural and academic life.

Participants will have the opportunity to explore the city easily before or after the scientific programme.

CLÉRIGOS TOWER
(-10 MIN WALK)



LIVRARIA LELLO
(-5 MIN WALK)



SÃO BENTO TRAIN STATION
(-10 MIN WALK)



DOM LUÍS I BRIDGE
(-15-20 MIN WALK)



AVENIDA DOS ALIADOS
(-10 MIN WALK)



IMPORTANT DATES

Registration opens:	15 July 2026
Call for Innovation Forum submissions:	15 July 2026
Innovation Forum submission deadline:	30 September 2026
Notification of acceptance:	15 October 2026
Early Registration deadline:	20 October 2026
Late Registration:	21 October – 18 November 2026
Conference:	19–20 November 2026

REGISTRATION

Registration opens on 15 July 2026, and will close on 18 November 2026.

Participants are invited to register online through the FINE registration platform.

<https://app.clubcollect.com/forms/en/fine-europe/fine-workgroup-2026-19-20-november-porto-portugal>

Registration includes:

- Participation in all scientific sessions
- Conference materials
- Coffee breaks
- Lunches on both conference days
- Welcome Finger Food Buffet
- Certificate of Attendance

Category	Early Registration (until 20 October 2026)	Late Registration (21 October – 18 November 2026)
FINE members	€ 300	€ 350
Non-members	€ 350	€ 400

Payment

Payment must be completed online by credit/debit card.

A registration is only considered confirmed once full payment has been received.

An electronic invoice and confirmation email will be issued upon receipt of payment.

LANGUAGE

The official language of the event is English.

Portuguese is the national language of Portugal. However, English is widely spoken in hotels, restaurants, and tourist areas in Porto.

CURRENCY AND PAYMENTS

The official currency in Portugal is the Euro (€).

Credit and debit cards are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, shops, and public transport.

Cash is still useful for small purchases such as cafés, taxis, or local markets.

ATMs (Multibanco) are widely available throughout the city.

ELECTRICITY

Portugal operates on 230V / 50Hz with Type C and Type F plugs.

Travellers from outside Europe may need a plug adapter.

HOW TO GET TO PORTO

The closest airport is: Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport (OPO) – Porto International Airport
Located approximately 15–20 km from the city centre.

From the airport to the venue

METRO

- Take Line E (Purple Line – Aeroporto → Estádio do Dragão)
- Change at Trindade Station
- From Trindade, the venue is approximately 15–20 minutes on foot, or a short metro/bus ride

Nearest metro stations to the venue: São Bento, Aliados, Trindade

From any of these stations, the venue is a 10–20 minute walk.

ARRIVING BY TRAIN

- São Bento Station: Closest central station. Approximately 10–15 minutes walking distance to the venue.
- Campanhã Station: Main national and international train hub. Metro connection available (Lines A, B, C, E, F) towards Trindade or São Bento

OTHER PUBLIC TRANSPORTS

The venue is well served by Porto's public transport network (Metro and STCP buses).
Nearby stops include: Praça da República, Trindade, São Bento.

TAXI / UBER / BOLT

Duration: ~20–25 minutes. Approximate cost: 20–30 €

This is the most convenient option for late arrivals or participants with luggage.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Cécile Dury (President, Belgium)

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Sara Pinto (Portugal)

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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