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He was Minister of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security, from 2015 to 2019.

As Minister of labour he was Chairman of the “Comissão Permanente de Concertação Social “ the Portuguese tripartite committee for social dialogue.

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He was Secretary of State for Public Works from 2001 to 2002.

He was Secretary of State of Social Security from 1999 to 2001. All through the Portuguese Presidency of 2000 he was President of the Social Protection Committee (SPC).

He was advisor to the Minister of Solidarity and Social Security in 1995, and -director-general of the Statistics, Studies and Planning Department of the Ministry of Labour and Solidarity from 1997 to 1999. During this period, he was the national representative of the Employment Committee (EMCO).

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