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Palácio Vilalva, Lisbon **Beneficiary:** Commission on Administrative Justice, Kenya

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This study visit, as last part of a series of exchanges, aims to enhance the capacities and skills of the CAJ investigation department in the areas of administrative justice and access to information.

Participants:

- Mr Charles Njagua Kanyi, Commissiner in charge of Complaints, investigations and Legal Services
- **Ms Dorothy Kimengech,** Vice Chairperson of the Commission and the Commissioner In Charge of Access to information
- Ms Florence Mumbi Kiawa, Director, Complaints, Investigations and Legal Services
- Ms Morine Akinyi, Assistant Director Investigations
- Mr Peter Korir, Senior Investigations officer

Speakers:

- Ms. Maria Lúcia Amaral, Ombudsperson of Portugal
- Ms. Estrela Chaby, Deputy Ombudsperson
- Mr. Ravi Afonso Pereira, Deputy Ombudsperson
- Mr. Miguel Feldmann, Head of the National Preventive Mechanism
- Mr. Duarte Geraldes, National Preventive Mechanism
- **Ms. Sofia Duarte,** Adviser of the Ombudsperson responsible for the Office of Law and International Relations

- Ms. Cristina Sá Costa, Office of Law and International Relations
- Ms. Teresa Bessa, Head of Unit B Labour and Social Rights
- Mr. Ricardo Neves, Adviser of the Ombudsperson
- Mr. João Portugal, Head of Triage Unit
- Ms. Catarina Ventura, Head of Unit A Rights, Freedoms and Guarantees
- Ms. Erica Silva, Unit A Rights, Freedoms and Guarantees
- Mr. Pedro Marchão Marques, Justice of the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court
- **Mr. António Mendes Oliveira,** Head of Cabinet of the President of the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court
- Ms. Graça Canto Moniz, Member of the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents
- Mr Tiago Fidalgo Freitas, Member of the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents
- Ms Joana Gomes Ferreira, Deputy Prosecutor General, Director of the International Cooperation Department
- Mr. André Folque, deputy Prosecutor General, Member of the Consultative Council of the Prosecutor General's Office
- Ms Raquel Mota, Public Prosecutor, General Prosecutor's Office
- **Mr Emílio Sampaio Correia**, Deputy Prosecutor General at the Supreme Administrative Court
- **Mr. Fernando Gomes,** Deputy Prosecutor General, Deputy Prosecutor General at the Supreme Administrative Court

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Day 1: Monday 24 February 2025		
Chair: Ms. Maria Lúcia Amaral, Ombudsperson of Portugal		
Local time 10:00 – 10:15	Arrival at the Portuguese Ombudsperson's Office	
10:15 - 10:30	Welcome and introduction: Ms. Maria Lúcia Amaral, Ombudsperson of Portugal	
10:30 – 12:30	Multidimensional mandate and framework of action Speakers: Mr. Ravi Afonso Pereira, Deputy Ombudsperson Mr. Miguel Feldmann, Head of the National Preventive Mechanism Mr. Duarte Geraldes, National Preventive Mechanism Ms. Cristina Sá Costa, Office of Law and International Relations	
12:30 - 14:30	Lunch break Offered by the Portuguese Ombudsperson's Office	
14:30 - 16:30	Instruments of intervention and cooperation with the public authorities Speaker: Ms. Estrela Chaby, Deputy Ombudsperson Ms. Teresa Bessa, Head of Unit B Labour and Social Rights Mr. Ricardo Neves, Adviser of the Ombudsperson	
16:30 - 17:00	AOB and wrap up of day 1	

Day 2: Tuesday 25 February 2025		
Chair: Mr / Ms First name Family name, position, institution		
Local time 09:30 – 09:45	Arrival at the Portuguese Ombudsperson's Office	
9:45 – 11:15	Complaints handling Speaker: Mr. João Portugal, Head of Triage Unit	
11:15 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 - 1215	Mediation, recommendations and follow-up Speakers: Ms. Catarina Ventura, Head of Unit A - Rights, Freedoms and Guarantees Ms. Erica Silva, Unit A - Rights, Freedoms and Guarantees	
12:15 - 12:30	Brief wrap-up and conclusion Speaker: Ms. Sofia Duarte, Adviser of the Ombudsperson responsible for the Office of Law and International Relations	
12:30 - 14:20	Lunch Break	
14:20 - 14:30	Arrival at the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court	
14:30 – 15:45	 Portuguese Administrative Justice System Administrative Justice and Access to Public Information Case law regarding Access to Public Information Q & A Speaker: Mr. Pedro Marchão Marques, Justice of the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court Mr. António Mendes Oliveira, Head of Cabinet of the President of the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court 	
15:45 - 16:00	Guided tour of the Portuguese Supreme Administrative Court	
16:00 - 16:15	AOB and wrap up of day 2	

Day 3: Wednesday 26 February 2025

Chairs: Ms Joana Gomes Ferreira, deputy Prosecutor General, Director of the International Cooperation Department

Mr. André Folque, deputy Prosecutor General, Member of the Consultative Council of the Prosecutor General's Office

Local time 9:00-9:15 –	Arrival at the General Prosecutor's Office
9:15 - 09:30	Introduction to the Portuguese Prosecution Service Speaker: Ms Joana Ferreira, deputy Prosecutor General
09:30 - 10:30	The High Council of the Public Prosecution Service Speaker: Ms Raquel Mota, Public Prosecutor
10:30 - 10:45	The Consultative Council of the General Prosecutor's Office Speaker: Mr. André Folque, deputy Prosecutor General, member of the Consultative Council
10:45-11:15	Break
11:15-12:00	The role of the Prosecution Service the Portuguese Administrative Justice System Speaker: Mr Emílio Sampaio Correia, Deputy Prosecutor General at the Supreme Administrative Court; Speaker: Mr. Fernando Gomes, Deputy Prosecutor General, Deputy Prosecutor General at the Supreme Administrative Court
12:00-12:15	Wrap up of the morning session
12:15 - 14:00	Lunch break Transfer to the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents
	The Commission for Access to Administrative Documents (CAAD)
14:00 – 14:45	 CAAD – brief overview Some statistical data Case study on Access to Public Information Speaker: Ms. Graça Canto Moniz, Member of the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents
14:45 – 15:15	
14:45 - 15:15	Break
15:15 – 16:00	 Assessment of the Implementation of the Administrative Document Access Law in Portugal (2024) Goals / initial questions Applied model – the «Theory of change» Conclusions and recommendations Speaker: Mr Tiago Fidalgo Freitas, Member of the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents
16:00 - 16:15	AOB and wrap up of day 3

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