

# Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Portuguese University undertakes systems overhaul with Unit4.

Unit4 is to implement Unit4 Business World (formerly Agresso Business World) to provide an integrated solution for Finance, Research, Procurement, Fixed Assets, Human Resources, Payroll and Management Information across Universidade Católica Portuguesa (UCP).

UCP has chosen Unit4 Business World to replace the current information systems in each of these areas to give users and decision-makers easy access to more consistent and reliable information. It plans to make significant improvements to the service provided to its many clients, by making administrative processes more efficient for teaching staff, employees and students. The project will deliver an integrated view of all university activities providing efficiencies and better control of budgets and projects to meet the current and future challenges associated with providing education, research and associated services.

“We selected the Unit4 solution because it delivers the flexibility we need to manage a diverse program of projects and activities,” said Professor Helena Brissos de Almeida, Chief Executive at UCP. “It provided clear value for money compared to alternatives and the Unit4 team showed they can help us respond to current and future challenges.”

“Unit4 Business World was chosen due to its ability to meet our functional requirements and due to its ability to adapt to future change,” stated Professor Dr. Helie de Chanterac, IT Department Director. “We are confident it will help us to optimize our operations and help us meet legal and operational change as we evolve. We will in turn reduce the number of systems currently in operation.”

Unit4’s experience in the Higher Education sector was an important consideration in the software selection. The initial implementation is expected to take around nine months, involving consultants from Portugal, the United Kingdom and France as well as a team from UCP.

“Unit4 showed they had superior knowledge of Higher Education processes and best practices from implementations throughout Europe,” said Miguel Campos, ERP Project Director at UCP. “We are confident in the Unit4 team’s abilities and in the software providing a platform for future evolution and growth.”



## About Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Universidade Católica Portuguesa is a university with its own identity, holding a Christian vision of the world, based on solid values that originate in this global experience. An old project of the Portuguese Archbishop Conference and initiated in 1967, Universidade Católica Portuguesa formed its reputation on the quality of its teaching, on the highest standards of education, on the reputation of the teaching staff, and by providing education to alumni with outstanding achievements not only in the country, but also abroad. It is a national university, spread throughout four regional centres in Portugal (Braga, Porto, Beiras and Lisbon) and a university in Macau.

Currently spread over 20 basic units, Universidade Católica Portuguesa offers 47 undergraduate degrees, over forty post-graduation courses, master's degrees and PhDs as well as MBAs, with over 1,000 teaching staff. The university is also comprised of 22 research units (study centres, institutes, and offices).



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## About Unit4

Unit4 is a leading provider of enterprise applications empowering people in service organizations. With annual revenue north of 500M Euro and more than 4000 employees world-wide, Unit4 delivers ERP, industry-focused and best-in-class applications. Thousands of organizations from sectors including professional services, education, public services, not-for-profit, real estate, wholesale, and financial services benefit from Unit4 solutions. Unit4 is in business for people.

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