# SEMINAR ANNOUNCEMENT

#### WHERE

UNU-EGOV, Rua de Vila Flor 166, 4800-445 Guimarães, Portugal

## WHEN

22 January 2019 | 14:00 - 15:00

# **TITLE & ABSTRACT**

# Quantum Computing: what we should know? Why we should care?

The idea of resorting to the principles of quantum mechanics to speed up computing and simulate complex processes has been around for nearly four decades. What is new in 2019 is its emergency as a feasible technology, potentially as innovative and disruptive as those associated with nanotechnologies or artificial intelligence. This talk offers a brief introduction to some key concepts in quantum computing and discusses its potential impact in science, society and government.

## **SPEAKER**

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Luís Soares Barbosa is Deputy Head of UNU-EGOV. He is also Associate Professor with Habilitation at the Department of Informatics at the University of Minho. He is also a senior researcher at the High Assurance Software Laboratory at Instituto de Engenharia de Sistemas e Computadores – Tecnologia e Ciência (HASLab INESC TEC).

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