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# European Statistics Competition ESC2020

## 3<sup>RD</sup> European Statistics Competition – Submissions now open!

The European Statistics Competition is on!

Elementary and secondary students from 17 countries will compete, first at national and then at European level in the third edition of this statistical literacy contest.

### What is the European Statistics Competition (ESC)?

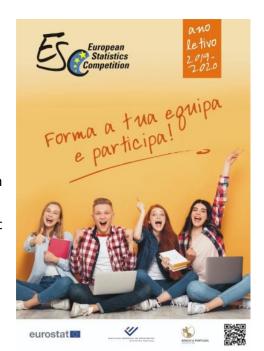
The ESC is a school-based competition in which 14 to 18 year old students compete against each other by searching for data and producing statistical analyses. The aim is to promote statistical literacy among the students while encouraging teachers to use new educational materials based on official statistics.

This competition is split into two phases:

- 1. The national phase, during which students compete against their peers in their own country;
- 2. A European phase: where the finalists of the national phases represent their countries at European level and produce videos on a statistical theme.

#### What happened in previous editions of the ESC?

In October 2017, Eurostat and 11 countries jointly launched the first European Statistics Competition. Over 11,000 students took part (506 em Portugal). The winning videos had the best views on why European statistics matter in our societies today.



For the second edition of the ESC, over 12,000 students from 14 countries participated. The winning videos gave the most compelling interpretation of the topic "Europe reflected in statistics'. Using official statistics, contestants had to demonstrate how their country or region compares with its European counterparts.

#### What is new for ESC2020?

Students from three new countries are entering the competition: Ireland, Lithuania, and Norway, which will compete with those from Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, and Spain.

For the first time, the national phase of the ESC is a joint organisation of Statistics Portugal and Banco de Portugal (Portuguese Central Bank).

In order to participate, it is mandatory to register the teams.

All information on the European Statistics Competition available at the dedicated page: esc2020.ine.pt