

# UNECE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY WORKSHOP

## THE EXPERIENCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAFRA (PORTUGAL)



SUCCESS FACTORS AND LESSONS LEARNT  
BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANTÓNIO FELGUEIRAS



# MUNICIPALITY OF MAFRA: GEOGRAPHIC & DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION



Inhabitants (2021)	2011/2021
86 521	12,8% (59,2% since 2001)
Houses (2021)	2011/2021
44 881	5%

- **Main challenge:** to improve the quality of life for residents, considering the increase in housing prices (50% since 2011). The average monthly housing cost is 650 euros (data from 2021).

# INSTITUCIONAL LANDSCAPE: MUNICIPAL PROJECTS



- **MUNICIPAL HOUSES** – 109 available for families in need
- **ARRENDAR** – Financial support for housing rental
- **MAFRA REQUALIFICA** – Tax benefits and financial support for housing rehabilitation
- **IMT** – Reduction in the municipal tax for house purchasing for young people under 35



# HOUSING AFFORDABILITY: GOALS



- *“Everyone has the right, for themselves and their family, to a home of adequate size, in hygienic and comfortable conditions”* (Constitution of the Portuguese Republic)
- Public policies for **families living in improper and inadequate conditions**
- Solutions for **urgent and temporary housing needs**
- Improve the access to **affordable housing for all families**, especially **young people**



# ESTABLISHING A NEW INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK: MAFRA LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY



- Financed by the **Portuguese Recovery and Resilience Plan**, which is funded by **European Union Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF)**, available to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic
- **14 applications** (5 pending approval) for the construction or rehabilitation of houses
- **146 houses approved**; 199 pending approval
- Total investment – **29,9 M€ approved** (26,8 M€ RRF); 25,7 M€ pending approval (23,9 M€ RRF)



# UNECE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY WORKSHOP

## THE EXPERIENCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAFRA (PORTUGAL)



THANK YOU, DEPUTY MAYOR ANTÓNIO FELGUEIRAS

