

## News in Portugal

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### **Lisbon airport can accommodate '10 more planes an hour'**

Lisbon airport could accommodate up to 48 take-offs and landings an hour in 2020, 10 more than it can at the moment, the planning and infrastructure minister said after seeing air traffic simulations on Monday.

See the full Portuguese version of the story [here](#).

### **Politician resigns due to conflict of interest**

A left-wing Portuguese politician, Ricardo Robles, who campaigned against property speculation, has stepped down from office after it emerged he bought a Lisbon building for 347,000 euros and renovated it for sale with an asking price listed at 5.7 million euros.

See the full Portuguese version of the story [here](#).

### **Railway privatisation a 'fantasy' - Planning minister**

Portugal's planning and infrastructure minister, Pedro Marques, said on Monday that the privatisation of the incumbent train operator CP – Comboios de Portugal was a fantasy, following recent news stories speculating about this possibility.

See the full Portuguese version of the story [here](#).

### **Sahara heat arrives in Portugal**

After the month of July being the coolest in 30 years, extreme heat from the Sahara is now gradually moving into Portugal, with the first week of August set to see temperatures rise well above existing averages.

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