

## News in Portugal

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A weekly summary of the headline news from Portugal in English, every Wednesday.

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### **5G: Government presents national strategy in September**

The Government will present the national strategy for the fifth generation mobile network (5G) in September, announced the Assistant Secretary of State and Communications, Alberto Souto de Miranda. "I am pleased to announce that in September I will be holding a national conference for the 5G strategy to be announced, based on the realistic possibilities and what the country needs," he said. The official spoke at the inauguration of the fiber optic infrastructure project that was carried out by Altice Portugal and whose ceremony took place in the facilities of the data center that this company has in Covilhã.

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

### **Banco de Portugal warns of risk of fraud with new banknotes of 100 and 200 euro denomination**

Bank of Portugal administrator Hélder Rosalino said on Monday that because they are less used in everyday life, the new 100 and 200 euro banknotes should be better explained and disseminated to the population to avoid fraud and scams. "Because they are less widely used on a daily basis, they [the 100 and 200 euro bills] naturally need to be better known, better explained and better disseminated to the general population to avoid situations of fraud or attempts to mockery", said Hélder Rosalino at the presentation of the new 100 and 200 euro banknotes that went into circulation on Tuesday.

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### **Costa is growing in support of how to govern**

Government performance has more positive than negative ratings. Opposition is punished by everyone, including PSD and CDS voters. Rio gains ground to Cristas as leader of the Opposition.

A little more than half of the Portuguese (52%) now approve the form of governing of António Costa. Exactly the same percentage that has a negative view of the Opposition's performance. Assessments also help explain the results of a European election that has been particularly sensitive to the issues and clashes of national politics.

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## **TAP carried over 100,000 passengers this year**

The Portuguese Air Transport Company - TAP transported 4.9 million passengers "from January to today", which corresponds to a growth of 100 thousand passengers compared to the same period, the company said on Tuesday, May 29. In a statement, TAP noted "the strong growth in the number of passengers transported in April and May, to recover the traffic loss registered in the first quarter of the year".

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