

**THE INTERNATIONAL IBERIAN NANOTECHNOLOGY LABORATORY:
CREATING VALUE AT NANOSCALE.**

J. Rivas

Director General
INL-International Iberian Nanotechnology Laboratory
Edifício dos Congregados
Av. Central, 100 4710-229 BRAGA
PORTUGAL

e-mail: jose.rivas@inl.int

The International Iberian Nanotechnology Laboratory (INL) is an international research organization located in Braga (Portugal) and created to foster interdisciplinary applied research in Nanotechnology. The INL is a recent joint initiative of the Portuguese and Spanish governments and open to other countries around the world. Born with a clear international dimension, the INL will have a staff of 200 researchers, including around 25% of tenured positions (the remaining, up to 200, will be associated or visiting researchers and post-doctoral fellows). With an additional 100 PhD students, and about 100 technicians, administrative personnel and other auxiliary staff, the total number of employees will be close to 400. The Campus covers 47.000 m², with a total building area of 26,000 m². The scientific facilities include state-of-the-art equipment in nanomaterial characterization as well as a Micro and Nanofabrication Cleanroom. Initially, four priority research areas have been selected: Nanomedicine; Environment monitoring, security and food quality control; Nanoelectronics; Nanomachines and Nanomanipulation.