

'Lusophone' Africa in the Archives: institutions and collections

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Portuguese Archives

- Sociedade de Geografia (SGL) – Lisbon, 1875
- <http://www.socgeografialisboa.pt/>
- Important library: 200.000 vols.
- Archives: 6000 docs.
- Former location of Escola Colonial/Colonial School
- Arquivo Histórico Militar (AHM) – Lisbon, 1911
- <http://arqhist.exercito.pt/>
- Search tools using keywords; former colonies Africa (in 8 collections)
- Importance for study of ‘wars of pacification’ in Africa
- Important collection photographs colonial period

Portuguese Archives

- Instituto dos Arquivos Nacionais do Torre do Tombo (IANTT) – 1376
- <http://antt.dgarq.gov.pt/>
- Search tools - catalogues on-line (TT On-line)
- Relevant collections: Crown Archives; Corpo Cronológico (1161-1696); Crown Companies e.g. CGPM; Inquisition (1536-1821); Arquivo Salazar (1926-1968); PIDE (Secret Services, 1919-1975)
- Digitisation documents Inquisition completed; access on-line; deunciations & trials with reference to Africa

Portuguese Archives

- Arquivo Histórico Diplomático do Ministério dos Negócios Estrangeiros (AHD)
- 6000 ms of docs
- Main collections: Embassies, legations & diplomatic representations (1819 a 1985); Missions & legations at in multilateral organizations (1949-1977); international treaties (1839-1995); catalgs. not online
- Relevant data on colonial wars
- Arquivo Histórico da Armada (AHA)/Biblioteca Central da Marinha
- 13 kms docs.; from 17C; but main collections 19 & 20C; catalogues not on-line

Portuguese Archives

- Fundação Mário Soares (FMS) – Lisbon, 1996
- <http://www.fmsoares.pt/aeb/>
- Search tools on-line: <http://casacomum.org/cc/arquivos>
- Archive and library: main collections : personal archives Mário Soares; digitized documents & images on Portugal, PALOP and Timor; exhibitions
- Relevant data on nationalist independence movements in former Portuguese colonies, incl. the PAIGC Archives;
- Links to other (personal) archives: Amílcar Cabral, Mário Pinto de Andrade, Viriato da Cruz, as well as Archives STP (São Tomé) and INEP (Bissau)

Colonial Archives

- Arquivo Histórico Ultramarino (AHU/Instituto de Investigação Científica Tropical (I ICT) - 1931
- <http://www2.iict.pt/?idc=100&idl=1>
- 16 kms of documentation
- 50% pertain to the archives of the Colonial Ministry (MU) 1911-1974
- Other half includes the archives of the Overseas Council (early 1600s-1833) and the SEMU (Secr. Estado da Marinha e Ultramar)
- Extensive collections cover CV, G, Ang., STP & Moz.

Colonial Archives

- Inventory of papers OC (with fin. support Culture Ministry Brazil - Projecto Resgate) incl. digitisation of documents
- <http://actd.iict.pt/collection/actd:CU>
- Only partial inventory MU; not on-line
- Library search tool online
<http://www.iict.pt/pacwebAHU/>
- Limited digitised collections
- International collaborations mainly with 'Lusophone' archives

Cape Verde

- Arquivo Histórico Nacional (Cape Verde) » 1988 (Ministry of Culture)
- <http://www.ahn.cv/>
- 6 kms of documentation
- Main focus: Colonial Administration 17-20 C – incl. data on slave trade
- Judiciary (18-20C)
- Church Registers (18 -20 C) » genealogies » also see sites of important CV lineages
- On-line research tools using key words » identification documents/file & short description
- Bibliographical research on-line

Cape Verde

- Large collection of photographs colonial period; scanning currently underway in cooperation with Universidade de Aveiro/Memórias de África Project
- Collaborations with AHU 'Resgate do acervo histórico de Cabo Verde em Portugal' funded by Min. Culture CV » sharing of collections on CV & direct access to AHU collection in AHN/CV
- Collaborations with Fundação Mário Soares(FMS) & Fundação Amílcar Cabral for sharing collections on AC
- Project 'África Atlântica: da documentação ao conhecimento, sécs. XVII-XIX' funded by FCT
- Member ICA

Guinea Bissau

- Arquivo Histórico (Guiné Bissau) » 1984
- Instituto Nacional de Investigação Científica (INIC) - 1976 » Instituto Nacional de Estudos e Pesquisa - INEP) - 1984
- <http://www.inep-bissau.org/Arquivos/tabid/118/Default.aspx>
- Limited on-line research tools; only limited inventory AH; access to a few scanned docs. via site Fundação Mário Soares:
- http://www.fmsoares.pt/aeb_online/inep/inep.php

Guinea Bissau

- Until the 1998/9 Bissau War approx. 1,3 km of documents; archives (and library)
- Large part collection photographs lost during war
- Collaboration with Fundação Mário Soares (FMS) from 2007 » inventory surviving archive & scanning documents
- Archives reopen in 2009 with support from (FMS)
- Digitisation continues with support of British Library Endangered Archives Project (until 2012)
- Archives of the PAIGC » microfilmed by FMS 1999-2004

Angola

- Arquivo Histórico (Nacional) de Angola » 1967
- Ministry of Culture
- Collection of documents 18C – 20C: slave trade; colonial administration; *Curadoria dos Negócios Indígenas*; chartered companies e.g. DIAMANG; COTONANG; municipal archives;
- To date no internet site for AHNA or on-line catalogues; part of vast AHA collections not yet re-inventorised (previous catalogue dates back to 1966)
- (Partial) catalogues accessible in AHNA

Angola

- Collaboration with AHU & UNESCO » recovery of the *Acervo Histórico dos Dembos* (incl. correspondence between NDembu chiefs and Portuguese administration – 19/20C)
- Collaboration with Brazil - Universidade Federal Fluminense (RJ) *Projeto Acervo Digital Angola Brasil* (since 2006)
- Recent proposals for establishing the Arquivo Histórico dos PALOP in Luanda

São Tomé e Príncipe

- Arquivos Histórico de São Tomé e Príncipe – 1969
- <http://ahstp.org/> (on-line since 2012)
- Main collections: Colonial Administration (early 18 C – 20C), incl *Curadoria Geral dos Negocios Indígenas* on plantations or *roças* & (forced) labour *serviçais/contratados*; Civil Register (mid 19 C – 20C); Municipal Council of Island of Príncipe (1665-1936)
- Important collection of photographs, partly digitised & available on-line
- Access to collection also via Fundação Mário Soares (FMS) » former Portuguese PM & President banned to São Tomé by Estado Novo regime in 1968

STP

- Collaboration with IANTT (1995), Memória de Africa Project Universidade de Aveiro (2006) & Fundação Mário Soares (since 2011)
- Collaboration with IANTT for the creation of the Arquivo Histórico da Ilha do Príncipe » focus on *roças* & *serviçais*
- Fundo Francisco Mantero (1854-1978) kept at AHU (approx. 8500 docs.), half of which referred in partial catalogue; important for research on plantations/*roças* such as Monte Café

Mozambique

- Arquivo Histórico de Moçambique – 1934
- Since 1976 » Universidade Eduardo Mondlane
- <http://www.ahm.uem.mz>
- Main collections: Negócios Indígenas (1886-1973); Colonial Administration (1885-1974); Companhia de Moçambique (1892-1944); Lourenço Marques District (1918-1974); Mission papers; manuscripts in Arabic
- Catalogues *not* on line; only partial inventory of vast collections; important collection photographs colonial period » accessible through site Universidade Federal de Bahia
<http://www.museuafrodigital.ufba.br/content/arquivo-hist%C3%B3rico-de-mo%C3%A7ambique-ahm>

Mozambique

- Microfilms docs. on Moz. in Port archives (since 1983)
- Oral history recordings (since 1980s)
- *Boletim Arquivo* (1987-1997) & *Boletim BI Arquivo* on line (since 2011)
- Collaboration with ALUKA (digital library on Africa) » www.aluka.org for digitisation of AHM collections (since 2004/5) » Negócios Indígenas, Armed Forces, PIDE, Frelimo, newspapers
- Support IPAD/Camões & IANTT (since 2005)
- Part archives of Companhia de Moçambique (1888-1980) - Grupo Entreposto after 1973 - at IANTT in Lisbon
<http://digitalq.dgarq.gov.pt/details?id=3673390>

Lusophone Networks

- *Fórum dos Arquivos de Língua Portuguesa (FALP)* » 2003 (secretariat based in Lisbon at the AHU/IICT)
- Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Mozambique, Portugal, São Tomé e Príncipe & Timor-Leste
- As well as the Arquivo Histórico de Macau
- Six joint meetings since 2003; secretariat AHU
- Links with ICA
- *Comissão Luso Brasileira para a Salvaguarda e Divulgação do Património Documental (COLUSO)* since 1996

Lusophone Projects

- Project '*África Atlântica: da documentação ao conhecimento, sécs. XVII-XIX*' (2009-2012) incl. historical archives of Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, São Tomé & Príncipe funded by FCT in collaboration with ICA
- Project '*Meio século de ciência colonial: olhares cruzados sobre o arquivo e a actividade científica da Comissão de Cartografia (1883-1936)*', (2009-) incl. archives of Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, São Tomé & Príncipe, Macau & Timor-Leste; funded by FCT,
- Project '*Os Gabinetes Coloniais de Urbanização: Cultura e Prática Arquitectónica*' (2008-2011), AHU/IICT, Instituto Camões, Instituto da Habitação e da Reabilitação Urbana (IHRU)

<http://gabinetescoloniais.wordpress.com/>

Projects (cont.)

- Project '*Meio século de ciência colonial: olhares cruzados sobre o arquivo e a actividade científica da Comissão de Cartografia (1883-1936)*', AHU/IICT with archives of Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Macau, Mozambique, São Tomé & Príncipe & Timor-Leste; funded by FCT;
- Project '*EWV_Visões cruzadas dos mundos: arquitectura moderna na África Lusófona (1943-1974)*', incl. AHU/IICT, Instituto Camões, Universidade do Minho, Instituto da Habitação e da Reabilitação Urbana (IHRU), funded by FCT

Projects (cont.)

- Project 'Inventário dos Arquivos do Ministério do Ultramar', incl. AHU/IICT & DGARQ/IANTT funded by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation
<http://arquivos.ministerioultramar.holos.pt/source/presentation/index.php>

International Networks

- International Council on Archives (ICA) & EURBICA (EU regional branch)
- ICRTA (International Conference of the Round Table on Archives)
- Association of Archives and Records Management (ARMA)