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Civil Engineer by the Instituto Superior Técnico (IST) from the Technical University of Lisbon, 1982.

PhD in Civil Engineering by the Instituto Superior Técnico (IST) from the Technical University of Lisbon, 1996.

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Research officer in the Rock Foundations and Underground Works Division Dams Department of LNEC since 1983.

Invited teacher of Rock Mechanics related disciplines for the graduate and masters courses in Instituto Superior Técnico (IST).

Membership of professional bodies:

International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM)

International Association of Engineering Geology (IAEG)

International Tunnelling Association (ITA)

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Main research areas:

Testing, characterization and modelling in Rock Mechanics

Strength and deformability of rock joints

Dam foundation, underground works and rock slopes

Monitoring of geotechnical works

Publications:

More than 60 papers in Congresses, Conferences and Symposia.

More than 80 technical reports.

Most relevant listed below.

- Muralha, J. (1996) Probabilistic approach of the mechanical behaviour of rock joints (in portuguese). PhD thesis, IST, Lisbon.
- Grossmann, N.F. and Muralha, J. (1987) About the mean area of a joint set. 6th Congress of the International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM), Montreal, Canada.
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- Muralha, J. and Grossmann, N.F. (1994) Geometrical and mechanical characterization of the joint sets of a dam foundation. 7th Congress of the International Association of Engineering Geology (IAEG) Turning the Century with Engineering Geology, Lisbon, Portugal.
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