

**Ms. Mariana Vieira Da Silva***Minister of State for the Presidency*

Mariana Vieira da Silva was born in Lisbon in 1978.

She holds a degree in Sociology from ISCTE-IUL and has completed the coursework for the PhD in Public Policy at ISCTE, and is currently finishing a dissertation on health and education policies in Portugal.

She has worked as a researcher at CIES-IUL in the area of public policies, health policies, education policies and justice policies, with several publications on these topics. She also worked as a trainer at INA and IPPS-IUL. She was part of the organizing team of ISCTE's Public Policy Forum and a member of the Advisory Board of "Descobrir" - Gulbenkian Program for Culture and Science, from Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

From 2009 to 2011, she served as Advisor to the Secretary of State Assistant to the Prime Minister, and between 2005 and 2009 worked in the cabinet of the Minister of Education.

She became member of Government in 2015, holding the position of Secretary of State Assistant to the Prime Minister (from November 2015 to February 2019), and as Minister of the Presidency and of the Administrative Modernization (from February to October 2019). In the current XXII Constitutional Government, she was appointed as Minister of State and for the Presidency of the Council of Ministers.