

# MAFALDA FERREIRA

PHD STUDENT & JUNIOR RESEARCHER



## PROFILE

I am a PhD student in Computer Science and Engineering at IST and a junior researcher at INESC-ID, as part of the SysSec team. I am interested in Web security and privacy. Specifically, my research focus on developing systems based on static analysis techniques to identify security vulnerabilities and privacy violations in JavaScript code.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

2021 - Today **Junior Researcher**  
INESC-ID, Lisbon, Portugal

2019 - 2023 **Teaching Assistant**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

- Software Engineering - Spring 2023/23, Spring 2021/22, Spring 2020/21, Spring 2019/20
- Operating Systems - Fall 2020/21, Fall 2019/20

## PUBLICATIONS

### RuleKeeper: GDPR-Aware Personal Data Compliance for Web Frameworks

[Mafalda Ferreira](#), Tiago Brito, José Fragoso Santos and Nuno Santos  
In *Proceedings of the 44th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)*. May, 2023.  
DOI: 10.1109/SP46215.2023.00058

### Study of JavaScript Static Analysis Tools for Vulnerability Detection in Node.js Packages.

Tiago Brito, [Mafalda Ferreira](#), Miguel Monteiro, Pedro Lopes, Miguel Barros, José Fragoso Santos, Nuno Santos.  
*IEEE Transactions on Reliability*, 2023.  
DOI: 10.1109/TR.2023.3286301

### Poster: A Systems Approach to GDPR Compliance-by-Design in Web Development Stacks

[Mafalda Ferreira](#), Tiago Brito, José Fragoso Santos and Nuno Santos  
In *Proceedings of the 2022 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*, 2022.  
DOI: 10.1145/3548606.3563521

## EDUCATION

2021 - Today **Enrolled in PhD in Computer Science and Engineering**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

2018 - 2021 **MSc in Information Systems and Computer Engineering**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal  
Specialization in Cyber-Security. Final grade: 18/20

2014 - 2018 **Bachelor's degree in Information Systems and Computer Engineering**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

### Excellence Teaching Award

Instituto Superior Técnico | 2022, 2023

### PhD Scholarship

Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia | 2022-Present

### Merit Diploma

Instituto Superior Técnico | 2020, 2019, 2015

### Merit Scholarship

Xpand IT | 2017-2019

## OTHER SKILLS

### Programming

JavaScript/Node.js, Cypher/Neo4j, Python

### Languages

Portuguese (native speaker), English (Proficient)