

# Reading circle of lusophone literature at UiO

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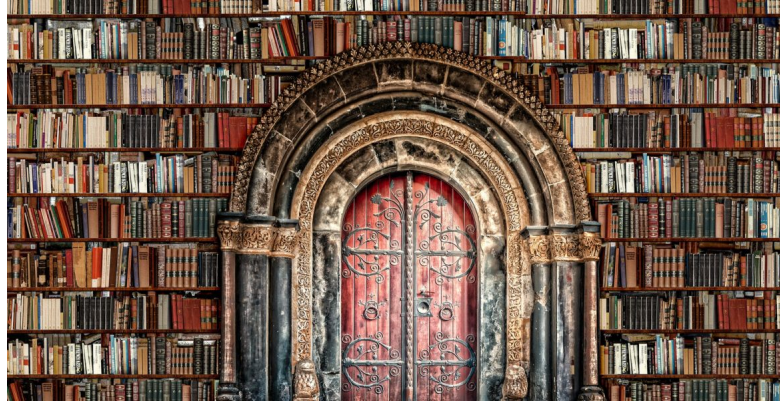


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## A reading circle to promote literature written in Portuguese

- for interested students
- for the lusophone communities in Oslo
- for anyone who reads Portuguese and is interested in hearing about new books
- concept: the responsible for a session chooses an excerpt, presents the book and the writer, and explains the choice, then everyone is invited to discuss and comment on what they heard or read
- people can just attend, or participate actively
- the circle has a site and a mailing-list

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# Time and Organizers

The first session happened on 22 February 2016. From October 2020, sessions became also broadcast by Zoom.

**2016-2017** Ana Rita Ferreira, João Marques Lopes, Albertina Cartaxo & Diana Santos

**2017-2019** João Marques Lopes, Larissa Avelar & Diana Santos

**2020-** Emanuel Pires, Rebeca Schumacher, Marcia Langfeldt & Diana Santos

Some sessions were special, like courses given by João Marques Lopes or Ana Rita Ferreira, or presentations on lusophone literary matters by invited scholars.

## Statistics

year	no. sessions
2016	15
2017	13
2018	15
2019	15
2020	6
2021	13
2022	10
2023	11
2024	3

Total: 101 sessions!

Example: the writers I presented

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Example: the writers Marcia presented

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# Origin of the authors presented, and of the presenters

At least 94 authors presented:

Portugal	33
Brazil	51
Angola	5
Mozambique	3
Cape Verde	1
Italy	1

Different presenters, 38 in total:

Portugal	14
Brazil	20
Norway	3
Spain	1

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