SÉRVULO ELECTS NEW LEADERSHIP BOARD

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Sérvulo has announced a new Executive Committee and a round of promotions to its partnership. **Rita Canas da Silva** has been confirmed as the newest equity partner. **Alberto Saavedra**, **Inês Palma Ramalho** and **Mariana Costa Pinto** are confirmed as salary partners.

Headed by **Manuel Magalhães** (who takes up his duties as managing partner on 1st September) the new Executive Committee is composed of partners **João Saúde**, **Mark Kirkby**, **Sofia Carreiro** and **Rita Canas da Silva**.

According to **Paulo Câmara**, managing partner at Sérvulo, "these appointments are the result of the recognised talent of these lawyers, who are today a national and international benchmark in their areas of practice. They have taken a truly unique and differentiating path and have greatly contributed towards the positive results we have achieved in recent years."

Rita Canas da Silva, elected equity partner, is head of the Labour Law department and professor at the School of Law of the Portuguese Catholic University (Lisbon School). She has advised numerous public and private, national and international organisations on all matters of individual and collective labour law, having also extensive experience in managing labour relations subject to special regimes.

Alberto Saavedra, senior associate in the European and Competition department since 2015, now becomes a partner. He has stood out for the high quality of his legal advice to numerous companies and public entities in the areas of merger control, practices restricting competition, state aid and services of general economic interest, both at national and European level. He was assistant to the Secretary of State of the Treasury, of the XIX Constitutional Government, between 2013 and 2015,

and has asserted himself in complex cases in the most diverse sectors of activity.

Inês Palma Ramalho reinforces the team of partners of the Finance and Governance department. At Sérvulo since 2015, she is also a specialist in the Fintech and Compliance teams. Palma Ramalho has over thirteen years of experience in legal advice on the structuring and renegotiation of financing transactions, having focused her activity in recent years in the areas of Private Equity, Fintech and Regulatory, advising both institutional clients and new entrants in these markets.

Mariana Costa Pinto, senior associate in the Intellectual Property, Information Technology and Litigation departments since 2019, is also promoted to partner. Internationally recognised as an undisputed specialist in trademarks and patents, Mariana Costa Pinto has stood out for her legal advice to various multinationals, including pharmaceuticals and companies in the technology sector with a special focus on artificial intelligence, in all matters related to Intellectual Property, as well as in monitoring patent, trademark and copyright disputes before national courts and in advising on litigation abroad.

Pictured from left to right are João Saúde, Sofia Carreiro, Manuel Magalhães, Rita Canas da Silva and Mark Kirkby.