# Axe 4 Geriico and the Doctoral School European Seminar (Geriico-CIREL), University of Lille

On the occasion of the visit by Professors Fernanda Ribeiro and Armando Malheiro (Faculty of Arts, Department of Communication and Information Sciences), as part of ERASMUS & iSchools, Axis 4Geriico and the Doctoral School European Seminar Geriico-CIREL, University of Lille are organizing a joint seminar on May 6, 2026, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Hybrid.

Theme: **Knowledge, Structures, and Information Mediation: Designing Responsible and Inclusive Information Infrastructures**

Information science, knowledge organization (and information management) form a core disciplinary cluster for understanding and managing the knowledge mediation in the digital age. This seminar aims to demonstrate that these fields are not isolated domains but intersections of methodology and theory where history, sociology, anthropology, education sciences, computer science, library science, postcolonial studies, museology, and the digital humanities come together. The seminar has two main goals: (1) to highlight the variety of approaches and tools used to analyze, design, and assess information infrastructures; and (2) to promote collaborative and critical practices to address current social, ethical, and political challenges.

**Objectives**

This interdisciplinary seminar aims to unite researchers and professionals (historians, sociologists, information specialists, and education science scientists) to examine theoretical approaches and practical tools designed to make information infrastructures more inclusive, traceable, and ethical.

**Thematic axes**

- Theories and epistemologies of information: epistemologies of the South, cognitive justice.
- Knowledge organization — Documentary governance: provenance, traceability, ISO / GDPR, ethical protocols.

- Information Practices and Literacies

- Museums, archives, and LAMs: digitization, restitution, and community co-design — digital infrastructures and AI.

- Case studies: dispersed corpora, provenance reconstruction, museum catalog practices.

- Infrastructures, Power, and Politics: platform governance, algorithmic bias, data colonialism, and the geopolitical dimensions of information organization & mediation