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Henrique Carlos de Oliveira Castro, professor in the Faculty of Economics at UFRGS, is one of the few Brazilians with research on values and public policies. Due to his production in the area, he was invited to take part in the Values 20 (V20), a global community that brings scholars and specialists together in order to devise, both under national and global perspectives, people-centered and values-based public policies. This initiative is headed by G20, the group which assembles 19 countries of the largest economies in the world plus the European Union.

Henrique, who is the only Latin American in the group, has worked in one of the three task forces, called *Global Values*, which sought to demonstrate how values are able to contribute to the achievement of social and economic goals. The UFRGS' professor partnered with his research group to produce the paper *Collaborative Innovation in Global Values*, publicly released along with the other V20 productions at the [V20 Summit](#) event.

Henrique's contribution focuses on the value of collaborative innovation as a driving force for development and acceleration of solutions to complex societal and global challenges. One of his recommendations is the prioritization of education and training programs in collaborative innovation and creativity, across all age cohorts, in cutting-edge domains such as Artificial Intelligence and Computational Thinking. Also, the professor recommends the support to local collaborative innovation initiatives through funding; another suggestion is the promotion of knowledge sharing environments through public campaigns that highlight the values of collaborative innovation and interpersonal trust (The complete content of the document, with all the recommendations, can be accessed [here](#)). Henrique emphasizes that the V20 suggestions are not mandatory, but that the initiative is innovative in the international affairs scenario for "not being empty words", but "very practical recommendations" instead. The professor goes on to say that he is glad to be participating in V20 and that he believes that "its contributions may be fruitful to public policies at an international level."

The other two V20 task forces were the [Leadership Values](#), about how values may improve organizational outcomes, and the [Quality of Life Values](#), which focused on ways of improving people's wellbeing.

Check professor Henrique's call for the V20 Summit [here](#) .

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