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Professor Vasco Rato was appointed by the Prime Minister of Portugal in January 2014 to serve as President of Fundação Luso-Americana. Prior to his current position, Vasco Rato was a Professor of Political Science and International Relations. He is a member of the Scientific Council of the Portuguese Institute of International Relations at Nova University Lisbon (IPRI). He is also a widely published scholar and media commentator in the areas of foreign policy, Transatlantic relations and European security. In addition, Vasco Rato has worked as an international development business consultant and was a Resident Research Scholar at the National Defense Institute in Portugal. Vasco Rato obtained a Ph.D in Government from Georgetown University, where he also served as a visiting Professor between 2007-2009. His thesis focused on the role of the military in Portuguese democracy.