Distinguished by BES Innovation, the project of Francisco Rente has now a business volume of 600 thousand euros in Portugal, France, Angola and Brazil

CodeV: A security expert

What if you could have a nurse at your computer's service 24 hours a day, seven days a week? Someone that assured you would never lose any information and that protected you from all hacker attacks, data robbery attempts or actions of phishing?

It was precisely to respond to this kind of desire of millions of people that Francisco Rente stepped into action: he founded Dognædis and created CodeV, a program that works as an expert on computer security, identifying in an automatic manner vulnerabilities on programs and increasing the software security making it resistant to criminal organizations attacks. The result was so good that the project was distinguished this year with the BES Innovation award – which, for Francisco Rente and the 17 collaborators of Dognædis, "is an encouragement to continue to invest in investigation and innovation".

"CodeV uses algorithms developed by Dognædis that make the artifacts produced by a medium programmer as much or even more secure that those developed by a professional", explains the CEO. The company was born at Instituto Pedro Nunes, of the University of Coimbra, to "be a little as an Internet fireman". At the end of five years and already with an interesting client list "it made sense to stop having the Institute as a background so, in June 2010, we created Dognædis".

Today, the company as a business volume of 600 thousand euros, a third attained out of the country – France, Brazil and Angola, where Dognædis has already reached. "Above all, we are a company of creation and innovation. The technology we sell is developed by

us", he says. The idea now is to strengthen the presence on the external markets, even admitting that, in markets such as the USA, England or Germany, the competition is high. "The headquarters will keep being in Coimbra, but we want to open in several places of the world", admits Francisco.

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The embryo of Dognædis was born in Instituto Pedro Nunes, of the University of Coimbra, to "give response to incidents" and create awareness towards the problems of Internet security. During five years, the team has operated at IPN, in the area of applied investigation. Dognædis was born in 2010, in Coimbra. It has 17 collaborators as is already in France, Angola and Brazil.

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