

## **The Role of External Cooperation in the Formation of Human Capital in Cape Verde**

### **ABSTRACT**

The development of human capital is considered to be crucial for the development of a country. Developing countries, especially as the island ones, as is the case of Cape Verde where there are: lack of natural resources, prolonged droughts and among other conditions, invested strongly on the human capital as the cornerstone of the development model.

Thus, since its Independence in 1975, human capital has always been one of the priority areas in several plans for development of Cape Verde, although with greater protagonism in the democratic period.

Given its vulnerability, Cape Verde is a country dependent on the outside. In this sense, early on, the country sought to increase its cooperation network with the outside in order to manage resources to promote its development. Our research concludes that external cooperation played a key role in the formation of human capital in Cape Verde as infrastructural factor of development.

**Palavras Chave:** (Cape Verde, Human Capital, External Cooperation).