BPLim - microdata research laboratory

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[Abstract] Banco de Portugal (BP) has recently created a microdata research laboratory (BPlim). The ultimate goal of the laboratory is to foster research based on several comprehensive and detailed microdata sets for the Portuguese economy. The laboratory makes the data available to researchers that are external to the BP. In this presentation we provide a general description of the working of BPlim including a discussion about data access and availability.