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#### Phillumeny Biography

I was born in 1955 and started collecting matchbox labels and matchbooks when I was about 4 years old. Knowing about my interest in the hobby some of the phillumenists in the city of Porto encouraged me with some interesting offers. The publication in 1963 of the first catalogue of matchbox labels in Portugal allowed me to properly organize my collection. The 2nd edition of the catalogue published in 1965 and the monthly edition of the magazine "Filumenismo" gave a great boost to my development as a phillumenist.

I went on specialize in all the material related to Portugal or that circulated in the Portuguese market and its colonies, namely Macau. My collection of Italian matchboxes/panels that circulated in Portugal in the 19th Century is very significant.

I am a founding partner of the APF - "Associação Portuguesa de Filumenismo" (founded in 1972), and currently its President.

Phillumenic works (published and sold by the "Associação Portuguesa de Filumenismo" - [aspofilumenismo@gmail.com](mailto:aspofilumenismo@gmail.com)):

- Catalogue of Portuguese Matchbox Labels. Edition 1992 (co-author) (texts in Portuguese):
- Catalogue of Matchbox Labels - Companhia Portuguesa de Phosphoros - Series - 1895-1926. 1st edition 2003; 2nd edition 2008; 3rd edition 2020
- Catalogue of Matchbox Labels - Portugal - XIX century. 1st edition 2011; 2nd edition 2014; 3rd edition 2022

- Catalogue of Italian Matchboxes imported by Portugal - XIX century. 1st edition 2013; under publication 2nd edition
- Addendum to the Catalogue of Matchbox Labels - Macau - 2016 edition (co-author) (texts in Portuguese)
- Advertising Skillets and Bookmatches List - Macau - 2016 (co-author) (texts in Portuguese)
- Phillumeny records - Portuguese Phillumeny Exhibitions - 2022
- Phillumeny records - Matchbox labels produced abroad to Portuguese speaking territories - 2023
- Phillumeny records - Postcard in Phillumeny - 2023
- Portuguese matchbox holders records - 2023
- Matchbox holders (grips - slides - match safes) records - Portugal - 2023

**Exhibit : Flowers - 19th century - Portuguese matchboxes and Italian matchboxes imported by Portugal**