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The Portuguese higher education system is binary and comprises a public and a private sub-sector. It has been claimed that the private sub-sector due to its higher administrative flexibility and financial contribution would be able to promote a supply of higher education that was better balanced (from a geographical and disciplinary perspective) and more responsive to market demands. We demonstrate that due to the profit element in the market's logic the private sector did not fulfil these high expectations. On the contrary it has concentrated its offer in disciplines of low investment and running cost and in those areas already more developed and with higher population density.