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Webinar: The Development of Participatory Science in Spain

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Participatory Science is experiencing unprecedented growth in Spain, supported by public institutions, universities and NGOs that place citizens at the heart of research. This webinar invites you to discover how to join one of these initiatives that are transforming the scientific, educational and economic landscape of the country and how you can take part in it.

A favorable context for citizen innovation

Spain is currently one of the most dynamic countries in terms of citizen science in Europe. Structures such as the FECYT (Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology), the Ministry of Science and Innovation, as well as projects supported by the European Union or with their own autonomous economic models, promote the co-creation of knowledge between researchers and citizens.

The time has come to deploy jobs and larger-scale initiatives

This webinar, led by the NGO Objectif Sciences International, will present the main areas of development, ongoing projects, as well as their impact on society.

Agenda for this online event:

- Introduction to Participatory Science: definitions, challenges and benefits for society.
- Focus on Spain: current situation, political framework, key projects, main stakeholders.
- Scientific potential: quality and diversity of data produced, new methodologies.
- Educational contributions: involvement of schools, universities and continuing education.
- Economic and professional impacts: job creation, social innovation, scientific entrepreneurship.
- Steps to develop a participatory science project: from idea to measurable impact, with feedback from OSI.

An initiative led by Objectif Sciences International

An NGO accredited by the UN Economic and Social Council, *Objectif Sciences International* is a pioneer in collaborative science. For more than 20 years, OSI has been designing educational and scientific field projects with a resolutely sustainable and citizen-centered approach. This webinar is part of its ongoing actions in Europe and beyond.

An opportunity for all engaged stakeholders in Spain

This webinar is offered by Objectif Sciences International (OSI), an NGO with Consultative Status at the UN (ECOSOC), and is aimed at Spanish professionals in education, research, ecology, territorial development, educational tourism and scientific leisure*, who wish to discover or strengthen their engagement in participatory science.

It is part of the Simplified Roadmap set up by OSI to support the creation of Local Groups in each country (job creation and activity development), in connection with the Geneva Forum and the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Objectives of the webinar

- Present participatory science as a driver of societal, educational and environmental transformation.
- Show the scientific, educational, economic and social potential of these initiatives in Spain.
- Detail the steps to create a Local OSI Group in Spain: from stakeholder mobilization to full empowerment.
- Identify possible project types: biodiversity, robotics, archaeology, scientific ecotourism, collective intelligence, etc.

By participating in this webinar, you will learn how to:

- Create a local OSI dynamic in your region (school, university, cultural center, nature reserve, company, etc.)
- Benefit from OSI's 30 years of expertise in [participatory research](#), active pedagogy and sustainable job creation
- Implement cross-cutting actions that connect education, science, social inclusion, ecology and solidarity economy
- Collaborate with a recognized international network, present each year at the Palais des Nations in Geneva as part of the UN Forum

- Transform your local practices into globally impactful projects, directly aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals

Who is this opportunity for?

- Teachers, trainers, educators, science facilitators
- Researchers, engineers, science and environment professionals
- Association leaders, local authorities, educational or tourism institutions
- Social and solidarity economy actors
- Committed citizens wishing to structure a local initiative

This webinar is a key step towards the creation of a Spanish delegation of the NGO OSI, with the ambition of putting participatory science at the service of local communities and global challenges.

Share this invitation with your professional, educational and civic networks. The future of participatory science in Spain starts with you!

Free but mandatory registration

To display the link to connect shortly before 11:00 a.m. Madrid time, please register as early as possible using this form for organizational purposes.