

Science with and for Society - SwafS – Partner search

☒ I offer **my expertise to participate as a Partner in a project**

or

☒ I offer **my expertise as a Coordinator in a project**

→ **Please** complete all sections of the Form:

Call: Science with and for Society

Topic: ISSI-1-2015 - Pan-European public outreach: exhibitions and science cafés engaging citizens in science (CSA)

Offer valid until: **2015.06.01**

1 Project Information

Activity of the SwafS work Programme concerned :

1. Developing citizens' interest and capacities for science and allowing them to actively participate in various scientific activities (e.g. exhibitions and science cafés, grass roots "Do It Yourself" (DiY) creative re-use communities, on-line mechanisms for knowledge-based policy advice), and
2. Supporting structural change in the research organisation and higher education institutions to promote Responsible Research and Innovation.

Field of expertise related to the topic:

The SASULisboa has an important network of meeting places available for the dissemination of science in the city of Lisbon and the neighbouring municipalities. It has a long tradition of organising social events and is particularly suited to serve as a mediator between the Science and scientists and the general public. As part of the University of Lisbon it has also the reputation needed to attract the interest of the media and reach significant clusters of the population, particularly the less favoured ones.

Potential Contribution to the project :

Develop and organize in our 8 restaurants and 20 residence halls small Science Exhibitions and regular Science Cafés. Contribute to the adaptation and extend of the RRI Toolkit to this specific settings and to the expected target populations. Contribute to develop and test a methodology to measure the efficacy and efficiency of this public events in Science motivation and transfer.

Role in the project

☒ Research

Training

☒ Dissemination

Technology development

Other? ☒ Event organizer

Project idea:

Science is normally a distant and closed subject to the general public because is normally presented in a setting of rigorous formality with a encrypted language only known by a selected few. Our idea, is to radically change that creating casual spaces and encounters between experts and neophytes around the themes that marks the actuality in our neighbourhoods and in our daily lives rather than the big philosophical questions.

Project description:

The project will be subdivided in two parts: Development of the methodological framework that will support and evaluate the Science motivation and transfer process from the experts to the public. As part of this effort we will include the extension and adaptation of the RRI Toolkit. The second part of the project will be the configuration of the exhibition kit and the layout of the Science Café sessions, their test and their delivery to specific and general publics.

Already experience as a coordinator yes no or partner yes no
 If yes, in which projects?

Note: SASULisboa is a new organisation resulting from the fusion in June 2013 of two Lisbon Universities which both had a very long experience in coordination and participation in previous Research Programs.

Other partners in the consortium already identified (with their countries)
 None.

② Target Coordinator/Partner Sought

Organisation details :

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> higher education / university	industry/SME
research institution	consultancies
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public partner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private partner
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NGOs / voluntary organisations	other (specify)
education	No preferences

Expertise / competency :

The HE partners should contribute with their own experts and public spaces in order to organise locally in their cities similar events (small exhibitions and Science Cafés). The NGOs partners must carry the expertise in the community problems and the ways in which they should be dealt with a scientific approach helpful and motivating to the populations. The public partners are mainly the institutions who serve as repository of science, namely museums, public laboratories, etc. The private partners should bring mass media and/or new media knowhow to the consortium in order to maximise the impact of the whole project.

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Short Profile of Organisation

The Social Services of the University of Lisbon (SASULisboa) is a public institution with legal personality and administrative and financial autonomy, under the terms and scope defined by law and the Statutes of the University of Lisbon, aimed at ensuring the mission and functions of social action at the University of Lisbon, leading to the improvement of attendance and educational success of students enrolled in the courses provided by the Schools, Colleges and Institutes of ULisboa.

SASULisboa mission is to provide social support to the students in order to promote equal opportunities in the access and in the successful frequency of ULisboa courses, contributing to the integral formation of the students in an academic context of active citizenship. To serve their 48000 students SASULisboa has 240 collaborators and an annual budget of around 11 M€.

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yes no

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