

The EU-Citizen.Science Cascading Grants Call

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Introduction to us (organisational and people) and our role in the call

The grants are being administered by University College London (UCL), coordination of the call is being carried out by the Museum für Naturkunde Berlin (MfN) and the call has been prepared by UCL, MfN and the European Citizen Science Association (ECSA) – all partners of the EU-Citizen. Science project.

The Review Committee will be composed of Nadia Dewhurst Richman and Muki Haklay (UCL), Antonella Radicchi and Silke Voigt-Heucke (MfN) and Claudia Fabó Cartas (ECSA).



 What is our vision: For citizen science to become an appreciated and widely established means for the democratisation of science in Europe



- ...and our core mission: We aim to become the European reference point for CS through cross-network knowledge sharing for citizen science participants, practitioners, researchers, policy makers and society across Europe
- Who's involved: 23 partner institutions from 14 European Member States representing a diversity of stakeholders
- Project timeline: 2019-2021; ECSA will guarantee the existence of EU-Citizen.Science for at least 5 years beyond the duration of the project



On the EU-Citizen. Science platform, you can find:

- Projects that are engaging the public in research via citizen science activities;
- Resources that are useful for citizen science practitioners;
- Training resources and materials related to citizen science as a practice;
- Training modules (Moocs);
- Organisations that are involved in citizen science projects and research;
- an Events calendar and Blog, and
- Community Forums for questions, conversations, collaboration with the rest of the community.





What makes our platform so unique?

- It contains resources that are easy to access, clear to implement and adapt
- Resources, projects and tools have been curated, considering impact and quality criteria
- It is built **by** the community **for** the community
- Its interoperability: It can connect with other platforms via APIs
- Its FAIR principles of data management



Introduction to the call



- 10 projects/ modules up to a maximum of 1.500 € each
- ONE grant can be awarded per individual/organisation and a maximum of one application.
- Self-directed, 1 or 2 hours units (called training modules or courses) that a learner can study at his/her own pace and receive a badge and a certificate upon completion.

- Moodle
- Development, implementation and testing of a training module covering any of the citizen science (CS) themes and topics (although other proposals will be considered by the project's team) in the Guide for Applicants (section 3).





Intro to the training modules

- 8-12 sections
 - 4 standard sections
 - 4 additional sections (1 hour module), 8 sections (2 hour module)
- Quizzes/ activities
 - End of additional sections + summary and self-assessment
- Audience
- Prior knowledge





Module content



- See section 3 of the <u>Guide</u> for Applicants.
- Themes and topics based on an extensive survey with the CS community.
- Themes and topics are broad but must be framed in the context of citizen science.

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GUIDE FOR APPLICANTS

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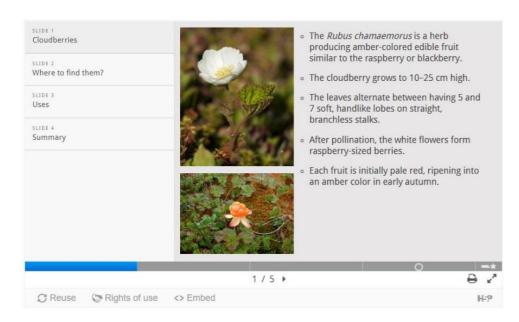
Deadlines will be strictly adhered to. Any submission past the deadline will not be considered.



Content types

Examples:

- Videos
- Text
- Images
- Audio
- Interactive videos
- Narrated presentations



See section 2.2 of the module development guidelines.

Variety of content

Originality of content



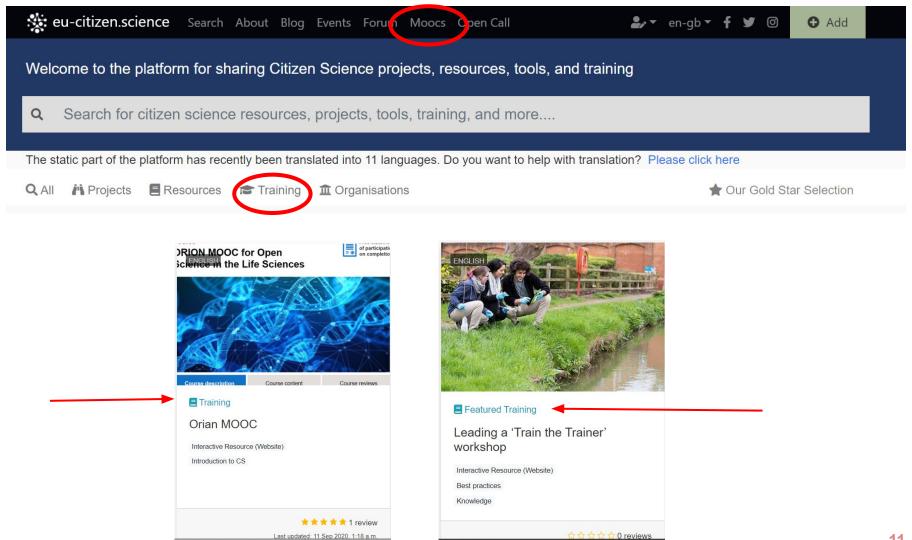
Training modules

- 4 modules developed:
 - Leading a Train the Trainer workshop
 - Introduction to Citizen Science
 - Citizen Science Typologies
 - Designing for Learning through Citizen Science
- User-testing phase





Training modules





The design process

- Step 1: Design the content
 - Content Design Template
 - Guidelines
 - Training Module Surgeries
 - Quality Assurance Checklist (available at a later date)
- Step 2: First draft review with the project partners
- Step 3: Address project partner comments
- Step 4: Upload it to Moodle
 - Guidelines
- Step 5: User-test with at least five individuals of the intended audience
 - User-testing protocol (available from 20th March)



Design timeline

- 21st May: Start the design process
- 18th June (tbc): Have a first draft to send to the EU-Cit.Sci team
- 30th June (tbc): Deadline for receiving feedback from the project.
- 23rd July latest: Submit to UCL (completed and in Moodle) for final editorial checks.



Module acknowledgement



Leading a 'Train the Trainer' workshop

Dashboard

Courses

Introductory courses

Train the Trainer

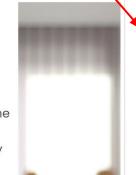
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Welcome to the course "Leading a 'Train the Trainer' workshop". This is a free course for citizen science practitioners looking to employ 'Train the Trainer' within their project or activity. This course was developed by <u>Earthwatch</u> and <u>UCL</u> for the EU-Citizen. Science project, a platform for sharing Citizen Science projects, resources, tools, and training.

This course has an interactive component, and we recommend taking the time to complete these elements to assist your learning. This guidance is aimed primarily at contributory citizen science projects (projects which are generally designed by scientists and for which members of the public primarily



Leading a 'Train the Trainer' workshop

This is a free course of 1.5 hours for citizen science practitioners looking to employ 'Train the Trainer' within their project or activity. Train the Trainer (TTT) is a learning method that equips people with the skills and



Conditions of the call

- Eligibility Section 4
- What is the funding for Section 5
- Payment (on delivery) Section 10
- Application Section 11
 - Must be in English
 - Cannot re-submit
 - Only one application per applicant
- Expected contractual process with UCL
- What support package will be provided surgeries, introduction to Moodle, promotion of the module and guide & templates provided
- Selection process Section 6



Timeline

Proposal selection and timeline for project delivery:

- The call for proposals will close on Friday 30th of April 2021 at 17:00 (CET).
- Candidates will be notified if they have been shortlisted by the
 12th of May 2021.
- In case that is necessary, clarification questions will be sent between the 13th and 17th of May 2021.
- A decision will be made no later than 24th May.
- Completed modules (i.e. uploaded to Moodle and user-tested) are due for submission by the end of July 2021.



Legal aspects

Modules will be uploaded to the EU-Citizen. Science platform and made available under Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International (CC-BY) so all material must be available under these distribution rights. This includes images, videos, and any other material.

- It is acceptable to use existing content that has been created for other training purposes; however, all rights to that material must have been sought from the original authors and/or publisher in writing.
- The content will be copyright to the producer and shared under CC-BY licence, although we do encourage public domain licencing too.
- The course developer will be liable for breaching copyright in the material that is used in the course.



Questions?