

2017 Ecsite Annual Conference

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- Science and society
- Exhibits, design, collections
- Audiences, learning and research
- Interactivity, communications, new media
- Fundraising and marketing
- Strategy, operations, management
- Making and Gaming, with two specially dedicated spaces
- Facilitators, science shows and festivals

The European conference for science engagement

The largest of its kind in Europe, the Ecsite conference is open to everyone interested in public engagement with science. Join this very special event and its unique balance of large crowds and friendly family atmosphere, broad thematic scope and focussed state of the art sessions, international perspectives and European touch, spotless organisation and room for surprises, peer collaboration and friendly criticism. Get a solid basis if you're entering the field and be challenged to advanced strategic thinking if it's future perspectives you're after. Enjoy a diversity of interactive session formats and meet your peers at brilliant social events.

Who attends?

The conference is open to all in the science engagement community – no need to be an Ecsite member:

Top managers and young professionals
Decision makers and creative thinkers
Exhibition makers and curators
Facilitators and learning professionals
Communicators and marketers
Researchers and scientists
Makers, hackers and gamers
Businesses and service providers
Policy makers...

Welcome to Porto

A Unesco World Heritage site awarded as best European destination, Porto is one of the most unique, old and vibrant historical towns in Europe. The conference will be taking place by the Douro river in a beautifully renovated 19th century customs house.

As a harbour, Porto has been a cosmopolitan city and gateway for new ideas and cultures since Roman times. Today, Porto is the breeding ground for many of Portugal's cultural and scientific innovations and initiatives.

As your hosts, the Natural History and Science Museum of the University of Porto and Ciência Viva are determined to give you a flavour of Porto's hospitality: get ready for exciting social events.

Life everywhere

Life Everywhere is a celebration of life, a celebration of the extraordinary diversity of forms that have evolved in our planet for millions of years, a celebration of our existence. It also calls for the exploration of hot topics and pressing global challenges.

How is science engagement enlivening communities and sowing the seeds of global citizenship? What innovations are occurring in the "wild west" of our professional community? How can knowledge, art and culture drive us in the quest for life everywhere?

Be a trend setter

You have great ideas: why not share them? Get your name out there — and that of your organisation's. Meet new peers and expand your community of practice.

How? Submit a session proposal. Team up with colleagues from around the world and **submit an online session proposal by 16 October 2016.**

Convince your boss

Sessions' contents and the many networking possibilities are attendees' main motivations to come to the conference. Nowhere else will you find such a concentration of potential project partners, inspiring practitioners and thought-provoking peers. Newcomers are always struck by how approachable and friendly Ecsite conference attendees are.

Don't let money be a problem

Did you know you could have your Ecsite conference fee paid by the European Commission? Check out our guide to Erasmus + applications on the conference website.

Ecsite also offers twelve free one-day passes to speakers bringing new perspectives to the conference with its "fresh ideas scheme".

Getting to Porto is easy, with many direct and cheap flight connections from around Europe. Accommodation and food there are very affordable.

See our website for conference fee details. The super early bird rate is €630 excl VAT, with a 25% discount for Ecsite Full, Sustaining and One person company members (€470) and a 15% discount for Ecsite Associate members (€530).

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Online registration opens
22 February 2017

MAKE BUSINESS

If you're after business opportunities, the Business Bistro is the place to be. Hurry and get in touch with Raquel to get a strategically placed booth and learn about sponsoring and advertising possibilities.

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