



The European science communication conference



Ecsite
Annual Conference

7-9 June 2018, Geneva, Switzerland
#Ecsite2018



Participants



PARTICIPANTS

**Open to all professionals who
engage audiences with science
and technology**

CEOs & Directors
Exhibition developers
Facilitators
Learning professionals
Marketers
Curators
Tinkerers & gamers
Service providers
Policymakers
Researchers
Journalists...

High level guests

We had the pleasure of welcoming:
Queen Máxima of The Netherlands,
Austrian President Heinz Fischer,
EU Environment Commissioner
Janez Potočnik, several Ministers of
Research and Education, world-famous
primatologist Frans de Waal,
astronaut Jean-François Clervoy,
museum visionary Nina Simon...

Join a crowd of approachable,
creative and open-minded professionals
keen to experiment and share.

PARTICIPANTS

1,100 attendees from 50 countries



- CEOs / Directors
- Senior Managers
- Other professionals



- Science centres, festivals & museums
- Private companies
- Universities & research bodies
- Foundations and NGOs
- Others



- Newcomers
- Regulars (attended 1-3 Ecsite conferences)
- Passionates (attended more than 3 times)



Conference experience



CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

The Ecsite conference offers an intense mix of intellectual stimulation, experimental formats and inspiring human encounters.

Sharpen your critical mind, recharge your creative batteries, harvest contacts and tools, make business and let off steam on the dance floor.

Rely on our spotless organisation for all logistics and concentrate on contents and people!



CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Recent topics

Science capital

Gender & STEM education

Responsible Research & Innovation

Post-truth & science politics

Storytelling in science

New travelling exhibitions

Learning ecosystems

Art & Science

Universities & public engagement

Impact evaluation

Social & environmental responsibility

Immersive & emotional design

New business models



CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Main conference – 3 days

100+ parallel sessions offering foundations for beginners and edgy contents for experts.
2 high level keynote speakers
2 labs dedicated to tinkering & gaming.

Pre-conference – 2 days

10+ whole day workshops & trainings.

Expect interactive workshops, panels and lectures and dozens of unique experiences put together by the Ecsite community: PechaKuchas, confession sessions, photo safaris...



CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Countless conversations

The Ecsite conference is renowned for allowing friendly, open and honest exchanges.

On top of interacting in sessions, all attendees enjoy common coffee breaks in the conference's trade fair, sit down together for lunch and meet again in the evening.

Business and partnership opportunities

The conference is a key moment for the field's decision makers: suppliers and clients meet, exhibition co-productions are born, contracts get signed, project consortia form, tenders are discussed...

Sustainability

We do our best to reduce the conference's footprint. We source local ingredients, skills and materials; promote public transport; re-use, upcycle, innovate...



CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Main social events

Gala Dinner (Thursday)

at a special local venue. Sit back and get into long conversations.

Happy Hour (Friday)

at the Business Bistro trade fair.
Meet providers and trend setters in a festive atmosphere.

Nocturne (Friday)

at the host science centre or museum.
Mill around and get a glimpse of the local science engagement scene.

Farewell Party (Saturday)

celebrate with new and old friends.



**Trade fair:
the Business Bistro**



TRADE FAIR: THE BUSINESS BISTRO

60+ exhibitors present their services and products in the Business Bistro area, where all coffee breaks are served.

The Business Bistro Happy Hour on Friday is a must-go.

We offer a wealth of sponsorship and advertising packages and we treat our exhibitors very, very well. Booth booking opens early October.



About the Ecsite network

Ecsite gathers organisations committed to inspiring people with science and technology and enabling dialogue between science and society.

Ecsite's vision is to foster creativity and critical thinking in European society, emboldening citizens to engage with science.

As a network, Ecsite catalyses collective strengths into a powerful voice, at the forefront of science engagement advocacy. It enables collaborations at European level and worldwide.

Open to all, the Ecsite Annual Conference is a yearly highlight for the European science communication field.

In practice



Upcoming editions

The conference is hosted by a different Ecsite member organisation each year. Each edition has a special local flavour!

#Ecsite2018: 7-9 June 2018
(+ pre-conference: 5-6 June)
Geneva, Switzerland

#Ecsite2019: 6-8 June 2019
(+ pre-conference: 4-5 June)
Copenhagen, Denmark

Save the dates

Call for session and pre-conference proposals:
on the Ecsite website, open mid August-mid October for the following year.

Booth booking for Business Bistro:
from early October.

Online registration:
around 20 February – 20 May.

Onsite registration:
possible throughout the event.

Conference fees

The three-day main conference registration includes **daily seated hot lunches, coffee breaks, Gala Dinner and Nocturne**.

One-day passes are also available.

Staff of Ecsite members attend the conference at a discounted rate: 25% off for Full, Sustaining and One-person company members and 15% off for Associate members.

Information

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