



OTTERS Community Building

OTTERS aims to foster a community of practice that involves schools, citizen science practitioners, as well as all other interested stakeholders. Participants of the summer school are invited to involve other schools from their surroundings. To do so, we propose the development of a community building plan, that will ensure effective engagement of other educators and students.

Creating an OTTERS community in my region

0	Citizen Science Campaigns that
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NAME	Description	Website	Contact

exist in my region

Schools that I can invite to participate in OTTERS, in my region:

NAME OF SCHOOL	NAME OF PERSON	CONTACT

Other stakeholders that I can involve

ORGANIZATION	NAME OF PERSON	CONTACT

Ways in which our schools can collaborate:

Collaborative activities	Description
E.g.: joint training	Join teachers in a teacher training event
E.g.: joint exhibition	Organize a joint exhibition of results









The pillars of community building (answer to the questions in blue)

The pillars of community building aim to provide a framework to support communities of practice from the moment they get engaged until the end of a given project. They have been tested in many different situations, with very promising results!

Pillar	Description	How
Engagement	This pillar aims to engage hearts and minds of	How will you engage the other
	those we want to be involved in the project.	schools? Will you organize
		events? Describe here your
		ideas
Professional	This pillar aims to ensure that all those	How will you offer/ find
Development	involved receive the necessary know-how,	professional development /
	tools and competencies to participate in the	training opportunities for the
	project.	educators involved in
		OTTERS?
		Note: OTTERS partners can be
		contacted to support in this.
Support	This pillar aims to provide support, after the	What support will you offer to
	training, to ensure that participants feel	the other schools?
	confident enough to continue implementing.	
		Note: OTTERS partners will be
		available to complement this
		support.
Recognition	This pillar aims to provide certificates, badges	OTTERS partners will ensure
	and visibility (through social media, for	that all participants will
	example) to those who have participated and	receive recognition for their
	successfully implemented the project.	participation.
Community	This pillar aims to involve the whole school	How will you and the other
Involvement	community in the results (and	schools together involve the
	implementation) of the project.	community?
Dissemination	This pillar aims to make the results known to	How will you disseminate the
	larger audiences, increasing the impact of the	project with other target
	project.	audiences?
Evaluation	This pillar aims to evaluate the impact and	How will you evaluate if the
	effectiveness of the project.	project is a success in your
		region?