

Listening and empowering workshop

Porto, November 27

A one-day workshop, targeting organisers of science in society activities, on the importance of listening to young people, the techniques of empowerment, and its possible impact at institutional level.

For more than a year, a group of SiS Catalyst partners (WP6) led an action-research analysing the meaning of “listening and empowering” young people in science in society activities. We started identifying obstacles and enabling factors. Through the analysis of case studies, we are drawing ergonomics of listening and empowering, that is, a set of theoretical and practical tools facilitating a dialogue with young people.

The Porto workshop activities will include background presentations on the science in society agenda and on the meaning of empowerment; presentation of the aims and the results of the workshops led by Raul Araujo in Liverpool and Paris Montagne and Traces in Paris, as well as the Bucharest “We are the future” event; and a series of dialogue activities to share visions and experiences on listening and empowering. In these sessions, all participants will be asked to share their learning on these topics; especially delivery partners will be encouraged to share their pilot experience.

The inputs and ideas of workshop participants will be used to enrich a training scheme for facilitators and organisers of science in society activities, and a toolkit to support the local trainings that will be delivered next year.

The workshop is open to every partner of SiS Catalyst, member of eucu.net and any other person interested in the role of young people in science in society activities. It targets both organisers and managers, and those in direct contact with young people.