

Code of conduct

Lecturers without borders

Our Names

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Introduction



Version 1.0

Terms and conditions

Article 1. Definitions

Lectures (seminars): refers to the lectures or seminars of any format (e.g. indoor or outdoor, educational games or academic lectures, story telling or theory) (co)-organised by Lecturers Without Borders (further mentioned as LeWiBo).

Meetings: refers to the meetings or workshops hosted and organized by Lecturers without borders (platform or network of people from LeWiBo).

Content: refers to all information provided by the User on the Website of LeWiBo.

Participant: any Lecturer or Coordinator can be generally called Participant

Lecturer: a person who gives lectures/seminars, a scientist, e.g. MSc, PhD student, who is travelling, an educator from an association (working in this region or globally) or a student (BSc, Msc degree or equivalent), who volunteers to help for a scientist.

Coordinator: person, who helps the lecturer to organize a lecture/seminar and to facilitate communication between partners of LeWiBo.

Board of Lecturers without borders (organising team): develop strategies and/or represent officially the project (to be defined)

Steering committee: advisors with expertise in managing communities and experiences in scientific communication, who are able to give advice for researchers and coordinators from “Lecturers without borders platform”. The process of selection can be made through online voting (if there is no “veto” or “voting against”).

Scientific advisory board member: (elected by steering community and board) senior scientists, who can advise or share their expertise with Lecturers without borders community

Article 2 : Access to the website

2.1 Modalities of registration

The registration and participation to “Lecturers without borders” project, (groups, events, programs) is open and free to any person over the majority of the state of the Participants, or to any person under the majority of the state of the Users if this person has with an explicit and written consent of his/her/their legal guardian(s). Each registration is for one private person. A moral person is also allowed to participate when it has one individual acting on its behalf.


2.2. Content on website

All the content should be in agreement with our standards (see 3), and can be distributed under creative common license (c).

3 Our Standards

- Non profit: All lectures are based on voluntary work, and no financial compensation will be given to any of our members and partners. Exceptions can be made for reimbursement of material and travel costs in particular cases, e.g., if a remote school requested our intervention, and if the lecturer can justify that he can not afford the travel costs himself, and if a lecture or summer school is co-organised with some other association, which provides funding. At the same time we do not collaborate with association that does not share the same values as mentioned in these standards. In such cases, the funding will be done in a sustainable (e.g. the funded items that can be reused over time) and ethical (e.g. funding benefits a low-income partner) way. For staff members (e.g. coordinators from the organisation team) the payment can be transferred based on the agreement of the whole tea.
- Low ecological footprint: The trips to schools are combined with existing travel plans (e.g. to attend a conference, or visit a research lab). The use of transportation with lower carbon emissions will be prioritized (such as train and bus rather than flights and individual cars) .
- Inclusive and no discrimination: No discrimination will be tolerated regarding gender, religion, sexual orientation, cultural or socio-economic background. Project “Lecturers without borders” is based on flat hierarchy and is based on horizontal and democratized rules. In particular, minorities and groups usually left aside from sciences are welcome to join the project.

Examples of behavior that contributes to creating a positive environment include:

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- Using welcoming and inclusive language
 - Being respectful of differing viewpoints and experiences
 - Gracefully accepting constructive criticism
 - Focusing on what is best for the community
 - Showing empathy towards other community members

Examples of unacceptable behavior by participants include:


- The use of sexualized language or imagery and unwelcome sexual attention or advances
- Trolling, insulting/derogatory comments, and personal or political attacks
- Public or private harassment
- Publishing others' private information, such as a physical or electronic address, without explicit permission
- Other conduct which could reasonably be considered inappropriate in a professional setting

Article 2 : Example Access to the website

2.1 Modalities of registration

The registration and participation to “Lecturers without borders” network, local projects, offline discussion groups, programs is open and free to any person over the majority of the state of the registered participants or invited and verified users at www.scied.network Verification process takes place through the recommendation system (if someone in community recommends the lecturer or person is recommended by the association).

Each registration is for one private person or association or education institution (school, university). A moral person is also allowed to participate when it has one individual acting on its behalf. Registration and participation is open to every nationality without any college graduation requirement.



The participation to the Platform shall be considered as an acceptance of the integrality of the Rules by the Users without any reservation.

2.2 Contractual framework

2.3 Creation of a User Account

To be continued and discussed in online meeting of lecturers without borders
www.scied.network