



# Elevate your conversations about science!

## Engage in Transformative Dialogue Training

Join us for a series of transformative Dialogue Training sessions, designed for everyone who wants to know how to create public conversations about science that matter.

**23. 4. 2024 | 13:00–17:00 | Fort Science**

### The Art of Dialogue: Improve Your Communication and Facilitation Skills

Discover the openness and humility of a dialogue attitude. With the help of playful improvisation and theatre techniques, you develop dialogue skills to enhance your conversations about science. This includes active listening, perspective taking and co-creating new ideas. The first step is to learn how to participate in meaningful conversations. The next step: design and facilitate dialogue yourself!

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**24. 4. 2024 | 9:00–12:00 | Fort Science**

### Science Communication Under Pressure: Scientists' Survival Guide for the Public Arena

What happens when you enter the public arena as a scientist? How do you deal with value-driven discussions, strong reactions, or distrust? Challenge your assumptions and focus on what you can do differently to broaden your options in public conversations. Embrace uncertainty and disagreement as a valuable resource for change. Explore the possibility of dialogue to engage in meaningful conversations authentically and effectively.

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*Training is intended for PhD and MSc students, as well as academics and researchers*

LECTURERS



**ANNA ARIS** is a PhD candidate (Athena Institute, VU Amsterdam) in the field of public engagement with science and technology. Her research investigates the institutional contexts in which scientists are positioning – and could position – themselves in relation to society at large, and how this is linked to transformative change within and beyond universities. Using ethnographic and creative methods, Anna explores how science communication can become embedded in organizations as a valued, intrinsic part of scientists' work.



**SEM BARENDESE** (Athena Institute, VU Amsterdam) is an enthusiastic science communicator, known for his work as presenter on Dutch TV and online, as well as organizing science events and festivals at Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam. In addition to his practical efforts, he contributes to science as a teacher, researcher, and coordinator of Science Communication & Public Engagement projects. His main goal: to go beyond merely translating science and facilitate an active dialogue between science and society, encouraging the public to participate and have their voices heard.