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# Massive Open Online Course

[https://bit.ly/AT\\_MOOC23](https://bit.ly/AT_MOOC23)



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## Aims of the project

1

**Communicate the science behind particle accelerator-driven science**

2

**Construct an online professional development course (MOOC) for science teachers**

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**Evaluate teachers' use of the MOOC**



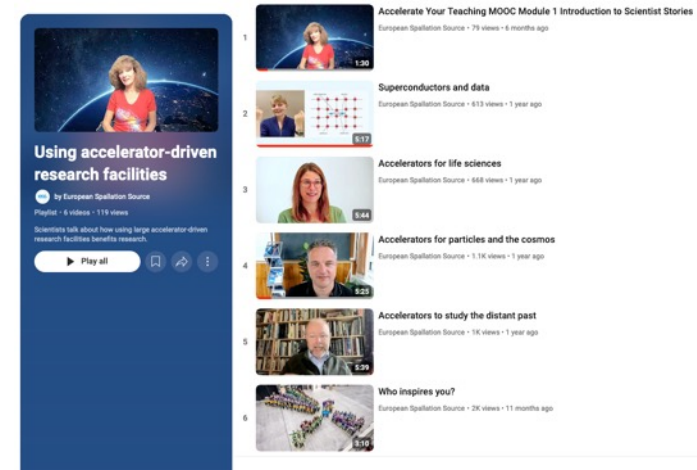
Main aim:

Inspire teachers to use the **stories** from large facilities across Europe to teach the topics they all teach:

- **Forces**
- **Magnetism**
- **Structure of an atom**
- **Light**
- **Electromagnetism...**



# Pedagogical tools



## Videos of Scientist Stories

*Race to Space*

Lesson 1 Lesson 2 Lesson 3 Lesson 4 Lesson 5 Lesson 6 Lesson 7 Lesson 8 Instruments



## Classroom game: Race to Space

PHYSICS FOR AGES 14 – 18  
Use Neutron Scattering to Change the Future!



Teachers

Students

Enrollment for teachers available at European Schoolnet Academy



## Lesson plans



# What were the results?



**First 4 weeks**

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- 2211** people registered
- 75** countries
- 1293** participated
- 314** completed the MOOC
- 58%** engagement rate
- 24%** completion rate

At first I was afraid of not being able to complete the course because it was related to Physics. But every module I enjoyed much more!

Inspiration to relate the topic of particle accelerators to young students before high school, see the examples of learning scenarios and all the links to additional resources that I think will be very useful

I'm a Biology teacher. I will use particle accelerators at my lessons, imaging devices, enzyme crystallography, renewable energy and many more topic are related with my lessons.



Thank you!



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