

# AMBASSADORS OF BIODIVERSITY

## A PARTICIPATORY PROJECT TO VALORIZE TRADITIONAL SEEDS.

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### How citizens can contribute to biodiversity research?

#### Objective

Improve the quality of the information associated with some traditional varieties stored at the Spanish Vegetable Seed Bank of CITA (BGHZ) by growing them in their region of origin.

#### Methods

Two networks of “Ambassadors of Seeds” were established:

- Traditional non-professional growers
- Educational community

In order to valorize local varieties of legumes and vegetables by growing traditional seeds from the seedbank BGHZ and collecting accurate data.

# Ambassadors of biodiversity: a participatory project to valorize traditional seeds.

## Main results

- ✓ A total of **104 vegetable landraces** belonging to **12 crops** were cultivated and studied by the network formed by **43 growers**.
- ✓ A total of **59 seed samples** belonging to **30 different accessions** of the **2 crops** (broad bean and pea) were studied by the network formed by **31 school centers**.



## High impact on citizens:

- ✓ **1552** volunteer participants
- ✓ **5000** face-to-face participants in events

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