

PARTICIPATORY VIDEO-MAKING WORKSHOP

Decolonising Development – COST Action
(3rd of May – 28th of June, 2022)

WHAT? This 8-session online Participatory Video-making (PV) workshop series is designed to support participants to use video tools more effectively, as a powerful tool to communicate information, to share ideas and to facilitate learning, documentation and exchange. In this workshop, we will learn to create videos together practically, while also encouraging reflexivity and a “critical lens”, paying attention to the politics, the practicalities and media conventions of how we frame our realities. We will discuss some different applications and experiences of participatory video-making, such as: collaborative and co-creative research practices; documentation of situated knowledges and alternative epistemologies; building capacity for community-based advocacy and self-representation; supporting local innovation processes; fostering critical reflection in research projects; actions to support change-making and knowledge exchange.

WHEN? 8 weeks between May and June 2022. Totally, 8 weekly sessions of 3 hours, plus 2 hours per week of research/practice at home. Preliminary plan:

- Session 1: Introduction; learning objectives; camera handling basics; communication skills; the art of listening
- Session 2: Key video planning tools: shot types and story-boarding; online data transfer tools
- Session 3: Approaches to communication; story-telling with video
- Session 4: An introduction to the Participatory Video: a praxis for decolonising research and development?
- Session 5: PV for supporting bottom-up innovation planning and group capacity-building (e.g. video proposals)
- Session 6: PV for story-sharing and critical reflection
- Session 7: PV for amplifying voices: community advocacy, change-making and research dissemination
- Session 8: The ethics and politics of PV and video-making; conceptual questions, implementation issues, reflections and ideas for taking things forward.

HOW? Online sessions. We will take an experiential learning approach, which means learning by doing: participating together in collaborative learning and video-making/sharing. The participants will be required to spend about 2 hours per week (between the sessions) engaging with course materials and working on a short video-making task. We will also watch some example videos together each week to review and discuss.

WHO? This is a free course for members of the COST Action ‘Decolonising Development’. Maximum number of participants: 15. The facilitation team is formed by:

- Course convenor and lead learning facilitator: **Dr. Pamela Richardson-Ngwenya** (UK)
- Course administration, graphics and co-facilitation: **Alexandra Plummer** (Portugal)
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