

## Dos proyectos del ITC resultan finalistas en los premios go!ODS

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Castellón, 23/01/2024.- The ONU Global PAact Spain and the Rafael del Pino Foundation, organizers of the go!ODS Awards, have contacted the Institute of Ceramic Technology to communicate that their projects LIFE CERSUDS and LIFE EGGSHELLENCE, both coordinated by ITC, have been finalists in the IV edition of these awards. In this communication the organization has also congratulated ITC and expressed its gratitude for its commitment to sustainability and the 2030 Agenda, convinced, as they explain, that "thanks to initiatives like these we will make the ODS a reality".

The go!ODS Awards aim to recognize and support innovative projects that contribute to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. These global goals, approved on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015 by the ONU General Assembly, establish specific targets to be achieved in the next decade to ensure prosperity for all people as part of a new sustainable development Agenda.

Its main objectives are to recognize and promote innovation aimed at achieving the ODS, to encourage and inspire the Spanish private sector in achieving them and to disseminate the importance of the 2030 Agenda.

Among the members of the judges include, for example, Judit Anido, Vice President of Operations and Corporate Affairs at Northern Biologics; Antonio Garrigues, Honorary Chairman of the Garrigues law firm and Chairman of the Garrigues Foundation; Carmen Vela, former Secretary of State for Innovation; the economist Belén Romana, digital business director and independent director; Javier García, founder of Rive Technology and Celera, as well as President of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; the president of CEOE International, Marta Blanco; Mercedes Delgado, Senior Lecturer at the



MIT Sloan School of Management and Director of Research at the MIT Innovation Initiative Lab for Innovation Science and Policy; José María Fernández, Managing Partner (Altamar) and former Director General of the Treasury, as well as Fellow of the Financial Engineering Laboratory (MIT) and Paula Martín, Fellow of the Cancer Research UK Cambridge Institute of the University of Cambridge and Founder of the Scientists Club.

ITC's two finalist projects have been recognized for their connection with ODS 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, in the case of the LIFE EGGSHELLENCE project, and ODS 11: Cities, Innovation and Infrastructure, with respect to LIFE CERSUDS, both co-funded by the European Union under the LIFE Programme.

The final decision on the winners will be announced at a gala to be held on 22 th February in Madrid, although the feeling at ITC is extremely gratifying: "Just the fact that we are finalists and that an organization like this has taken notice of our projects, in the case of LIFE EGGSHELLENCE as an example of industrial symbiosis between egg-producing companies and ceramics, and LIFE CERSUDS, as an example of the use of ceramics as a material that can help cities to become more resilient to climate change, gives us great satisfaction and a boost to continue with our commitment to sustainability"

So, for the time being, the finalists will travel to Madrid next February to attend the go!ODS gala in the hope of winning these prestigious awards, although with the joy that these projects have already been distinguished.

All the information about LIFE CERSUDS: www.lifecersuds.eu

All the information about LIFE EGGSHELLENCE: www.lifeeggshellence.eu

All the information about ITC: www.itc.uji.es

