



# PILOTS

**Technopolis, Mechelen 1st – 4th April 2009**

## **1st Pilots training course**

The first Pilots training course will be an in-depth look at the role of explainers and a set of best practice training activities from across Europe to test ways of developing the skills and competences necessary for the role.

Over four days, explainers from across Europe will come together to discuss key issues. Explainers, edutainers, guides, animators, pilots, etc: are these different names for the same job, or different jobs? What can explainers expect from their institution, and what should the institution expect from explainers? How does the role vary across Europe?

Active workshops will look at a range of skills. How can we incorporate enquiry-based learning activities into our day-to-day practice? What is necessary to spark a debate in a science centre or museum? What tips and tricks can we pick up to engage the public in science more effectively?

*Trainers from: Cité des sciences et de l'industrie in Paris, France; House of Experiments in Ljubljana, Slovenia; Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia Leonardo da Vinci in Milan, Italy; Pavilion of Knowledge – Ciência Viva in Lisbon, Portugal; SISSA Medialab in Trieste, Italy and Technopolis<sup>®</sup>, the Flemish Science Center in Mechelen, Belgium.*

*Full programme coming soon*