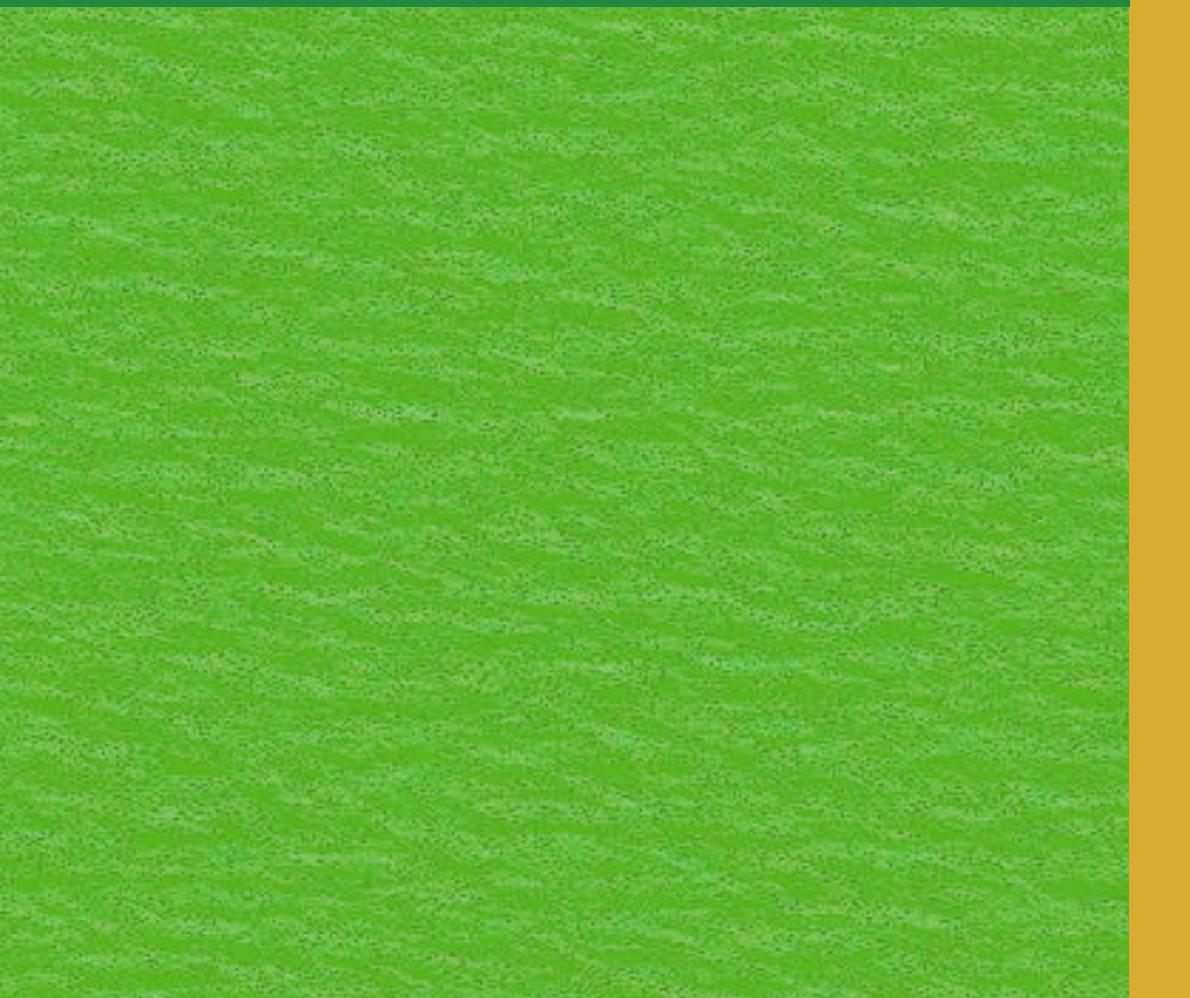


SDGs 15: Life on Land



The ODS 15 aims to protect, restore, and promote the sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, as well as the sustainable management of the forest areas, to stop and revert the degradation of the land, fight desertification and stop the loss of biodiversity.

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- *Amount of research units that tackle subjects related to this ODS: 10 Academic Units (schools and research units) and 3 regional headquarters.*
- *Amount of researchers: 73 researchers with active projects, activities and programs with the subjects of the ODS 15 in the due period.*
- *Total amount of projects, programs and activities developed with the subjects of the ODS during this period: 39.*

Research Opportunities



Agrifood, textiles and energy systems.

The use of biotechnology aids in the betterment of agriculture, and the fight against hunger and malnourishment.

Forest management under sustainable criteria is possible, and represents a productive conservation alternative in the midst of other destructive practices and uses of forest resources. In altered environments, even with degradation processes started, restoration from the establishment of forest plantations under the models of “silviculture close to the natural” or “new generation planted forests” can be part of the effort to promote a net zero deforestation.

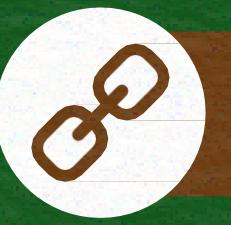


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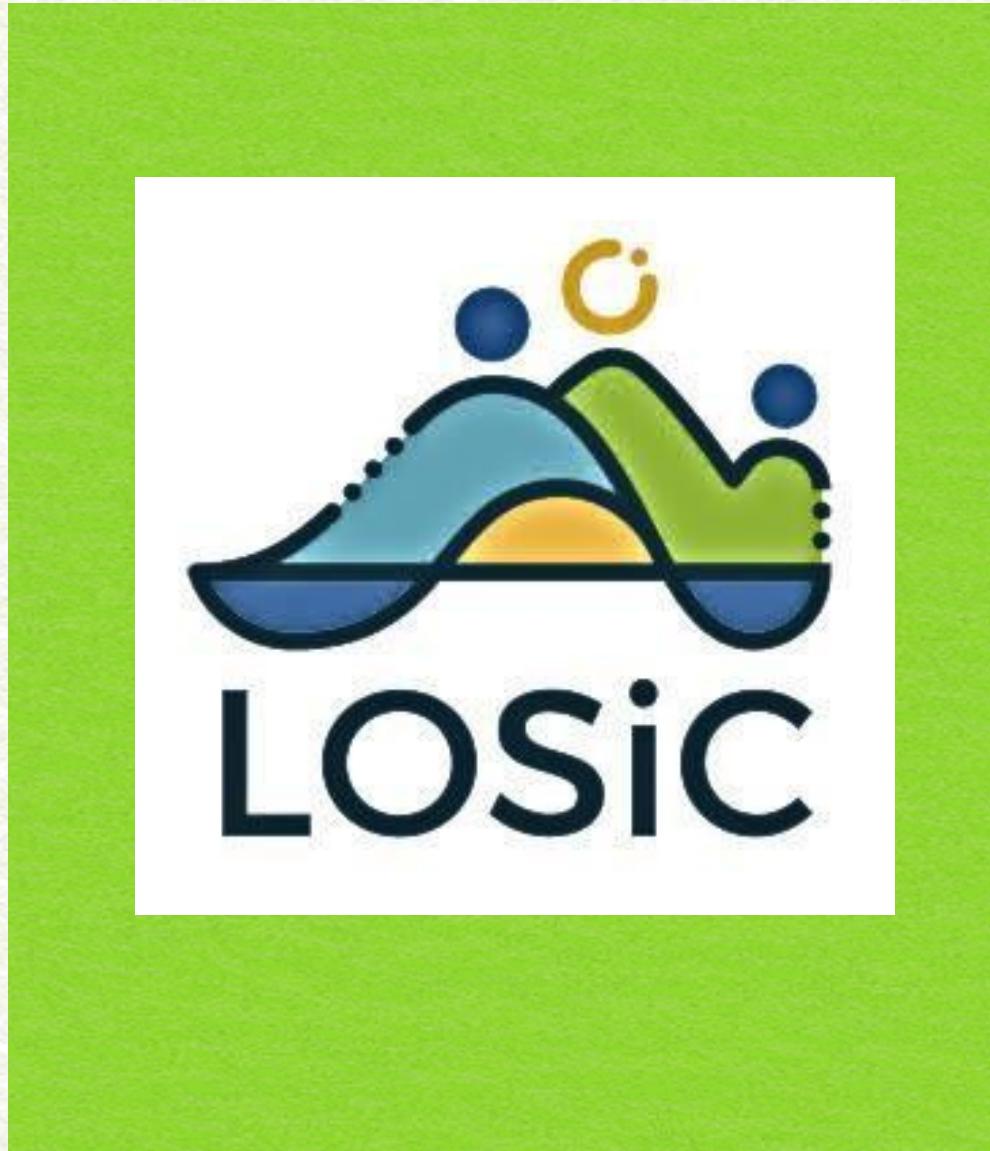
IYOKÉ



This game was created as a gamified resource, with models, dynamics, mechanics and elements native to gaming, with the purpose of transmitting a message, a series of contents or possibly changing behaviors, through a fun experience that encourages motivation, for the teaching of environmental education in children and young students.



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LOSiC

Devices for geophysic measuring and risk prediction; cloudiness and precipitation measuring, satellite receptor, internal measuring of environmental conditions.

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Fertirriego IOT

an App that supports
fertirriego practices

Virtual Wood Xylotheque

Promotes a rational
use of forest resources



Bioles

Organic fertilizers



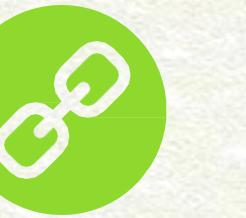
Green Pavements

an asphalt mix based
on biopolymers



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Grounds CR



A tool that makes information on the classifications of the soil in every area of Costa Rica accessible for the agriculture sector, as well as the soil's fertility rate by canton in an easy way that is free of cost.



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Natural cosmetics with
sustainable use of
agricultural supplies



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Mobile app of grass in Costa Rica.

Smart greenhouses

Estate "finca" Architecture

Biofuel and additive.

"Biopulpeo"

Fiber windMill

Water purification
process 

Constrictive system
based on recycled
plastic blocks 





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Publications and links of interest:

- https://www.scielo.sa.cr/scielo.php?script=sci_arttext&pid=S0034-77442020000500213
- <https://www.redalyc.org/journal/4759/475952089009/475952089009.pdf>
- <https://vinv.ucr.ac.cr/es/recursos/en-la-academia>
- https://www.academia.edu/44556374/Proyecto_de_ciencia_ciudadana_bioluminiscencia
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https://concienciafeministacr.wordpress.com/2019/07/16/cientificas-ticas-rebeca-rojas-alfarofbclid=lwAR3Trpx3EfrsRE_HTBu5ttpp8OFrWPYLuYNBqJAdJ3gsG-3kbZ4uYFNkb28



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Publications and links of interest:

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<https://doi.org/10.1002/hyp.15027>

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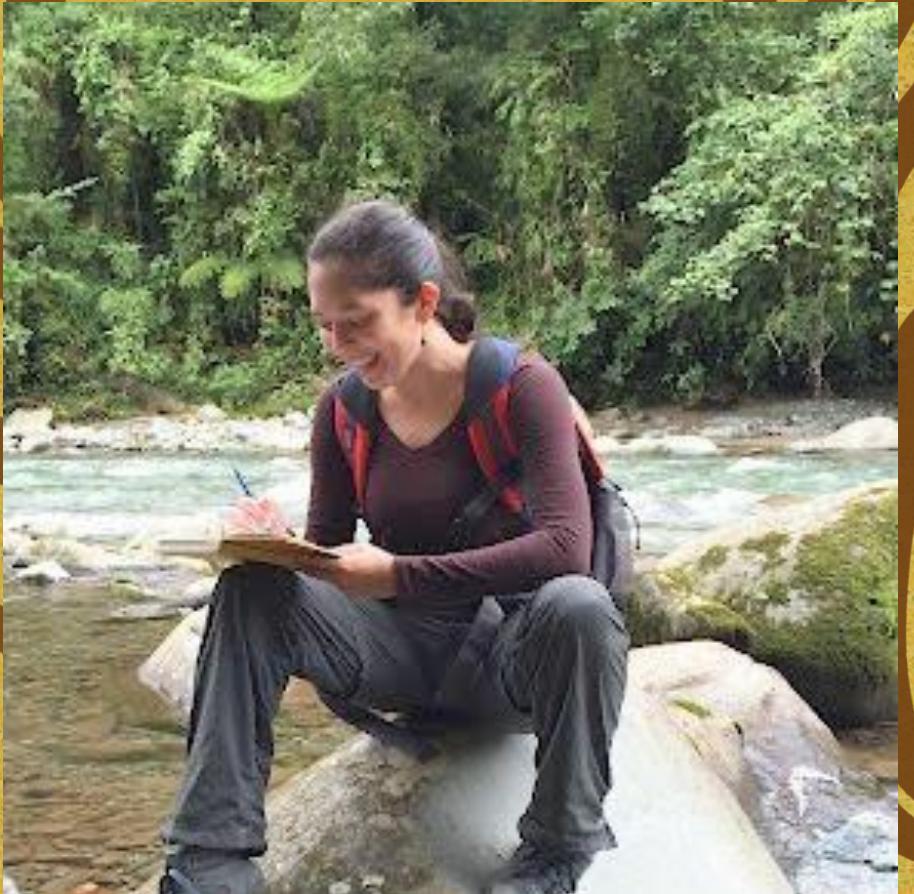
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