

Project Proposal



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Motivation

What inspire us?

Motivation

The initiative like **CEVALE2VE** is a good example of scientific and academic support in the field of Particle Physics for the young physicist at the principal institutions in Venezuela.

QMat represent a good model of how to organize a community with the goal to bring together research, industry and academy, as well as a role model for mentoring programmes.

AlumnUSB is a proof that the universities can be helped at a distance by its graduates considering the needs informed by the USB community.







Vision, Mission & Purpose statements

What we want to do? How we want to do it? Why we want to do it?

Vision

- Provide undergraduate mentoring
- Offer a platform that allows venezuelan undergraduate students to look for postgraduate options
 abroad (internship program, fundraising campaigns promotion etc)
- Offer an entity that allows interaction and scientific collaboration between current students and former students of the career who are now beyond the venezuelan borders carrying out high-level research
- Provide to the COF Alumni USB community with an opportunity to share knowledge and deepen in many of the fields of physics
- Improve career-room ('Sala de COF') facilities
- Improve the quality of the professionals at the USB, through the institutionalization of our community of graduates of the career and active students in the USB for the promotion of courses.

Mission

Involve undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled in the USB, as well as those doing postgraduate studies abroad. Additionally, invite those researchers (postdocs, junior research, senior research and professors) to take part in the community.

Undoubtedly those alumni who are in the industry or doing entrepreneurship are equally welcome.

Purpose statement

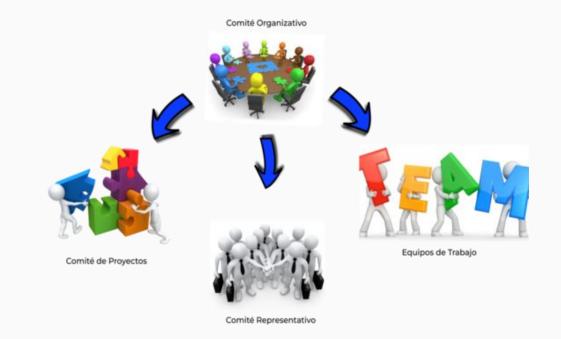
The Venezuelan diaspora is a fact and the students of the Degree in Physics at the Simón Bolívar University (USB) are no stranger to this unfortunate situation. Inspired by initiatives such as CEVALE2VE, AlumnUSB and EUR QMat, the idea of creating a non-profit organization based on the volunteering of its members has emerged, allowing not only to appease the economic effects but also the deterioration of the professional quality of graduates of the career and expedite opportunities to continue your career as physicists.

Structure

How we are organized?

Structure

The **Organizing Committee** is responsible for coordinating the **Work Teams**, the **Representative Committee** and the **Projects Committee**.



The work teams will be responsible for performing Events and News, Communication and Registration, Website tasks among others. The Representative Committee will be in charge of carrying out formalities and being the face of the institution, as well as establishing relationships with possible allied organizations. The Projects Committee will be in charge of taking the direction of each project promoted by COF Alumni USB in which decisions are taken by consensus, gradually increasing the participation of other coordinators / committees according to their degree of importance.

Projects

What are our plans?

Block A

Professional

The projects in this block are meant to improve the quality and expand the horizons of the youngest students of physics.

Additionally, offer first experiences of mentoring and training as active collaborators for the early researchers, representing a source of future graduate students.

- **1. Mentoring programme:** project for assign/match a undergrad with any volunteer (PhD, post-doc etc) that bring academic guidance and professional advisoring.
- **2. Adopting programme:** project for match undergrad students with a former member of COF USB that is abroad that can bring any kind of support to achieve an academic project (join to a PhD or Master programme)
- **3. Scholarships/fellowship programme:** scholarships and grants for students in Venezuela to mitigate the economical obstacles that the current crisis implies
- **4. Internships programme:** short visit to overseas labs to complete part o do a thesis that it is validated by the university
- **5. Scientific collaboration programme:** establish common scientific interest between members that can lead to collaborations (e.g. articles, conferences talks/poster etc)

Block B

Academic

The projects in this block are meant to promote, motive and improve the knowledge in trend research fields of our community as well as communicate the current work of the different members.

They are also focus in the improvement of physical conditions of the young generations of Physicists at USB.

- **6. Educative COF:** project for keep doing online courses like the Particle Physics by CEVALE2VE and the one of Astrophysics that is currently taught, plus add new topic courses (e.g. Quantum Information)
- **7. Online seminars & colloquiums:** recovery the old tradition of Physics colloquiums by members of the USB Physics community (mostly by the PhDs abroad
- **8.** *Scientific chatting & journal clubs*: informal online chats/discussion about hot-topics
- **9. Student career-room (COF) upgrades:** improvements of the career facilities (desks, chairs, computers, books etc)
- **10. Online conferences:** following a green-thinking, create online conferences vía online

Block C Organizational

The projects in this block are meant to recognize the scientific work, contribute with the COF Alumni USB initiative and support student scientific projects.

- 11. Annual Merit Award: prize awarded to the students and researchers who, under the decision of a jury, honor to receive it.
- **12. Join the organizing group of COF Alumni USB:** participate actively in the formation and growth of COF Alumni USB
- **13.** International Physicists' Tournament: organization and support for team of students that wish to participate in the IPT or any other similar activity (e.g olympiads)
- **14. Newsletter:** general brochure with the activities of the month of COF Alumni USB, with some extra (e.g. interviews or announcements)

Pilot Stage

What is our plan at short-term?

COF Alumni USB will start carrying out some of the most relevant proposals of the blocks exposed previously:

Block A

Projects: 1, 2 & 5.

Block B

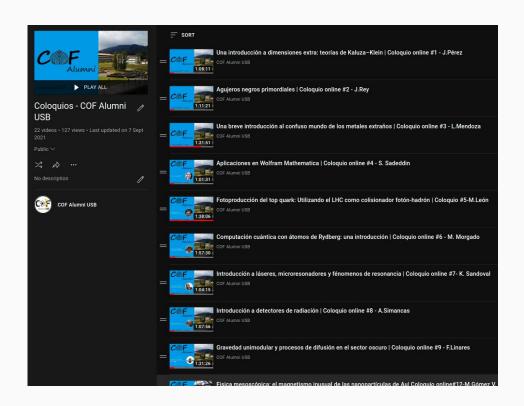
Projects 7, 8 & 9.

Block C

Projects 13 & 14

1. Coloquios online

- 2. "Día de la física"
- 3. Mentoring programme
- International Physicists' Tournament
- 5. Physics REBoot Venezuela
- 6. Website, redes y Newsletter



Youtube channel of COF Alumni:

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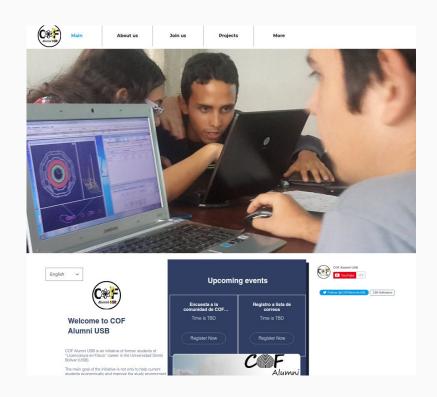
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Who are we?

What we have done so far?

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Individuals, industry and academic institutions are the fuel of this project that extends around the globe.















COF Alumni USB is an organization created by graduate students of physics from the Universidad Simón Bolívar in Venezuela, that has been doing voluntary work in the last 3 years.

Our group look after connecting with undergraduate venezuelan students and provide development opportunities in the professional and personal fields along their physics degree, through mentorship, networking and promoting the physics community in Venezuela.



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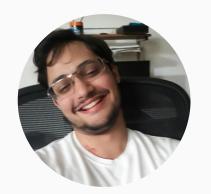
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COF Alumni USB is also interested in connecting with students from other universities along the country, in order to come along us and start organizing similar initiatives. They could focus on other universities that together can form a collaboration network to strength the field of physics in Venezuela.

These students would be alumni representatives of their students in their own institution such that, future activities can be strategically organized and developed along the country.



"Ha sonado la hora de Venezuela, la hora de los venezolanos válidos. Por encima del dolor y la vergüenza por lo que ha sucedido, hoy más que nunca tenemos la oportunidad y hasta el desafío de rehacer un país capaz de alcanzar las metas que le ofrecen sus grandes posibilidades. No será fácil, como nunca ha sido fácil ninguna empresa grande."

- Arturo Uslar Pietri (1906-2001)

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Thank you!

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