**Abstract**

**TimeLine** is a citizen science project sponsored by the Spanish Network for Light Pollution Studies (REECL, Red Española de Estudios sobre la Contaminación Luminica), aiming to record the alterations produced in the nightscape by the anthropogenic emissions of light. Using relatively affordable compact and DSLR digital cameras, citizen scientists may help to document these changes, address the shifting baseline syndrome, raise public awareness on the deterioration of the nighttime environment, and provide useful data for light pollution research.

**References**


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**Documenting the changes in outdoor lighting**

**TimeLine** citizen scientists are asked to record and share image pairs taken at the same location before and after some changes in the lighting systems have been carried out.

The **TimeLine** activity has no strict deadlines and keeps running on a constant basis. Participants may freely use and reproduce the multilingual resources of the campaign and keep in touch with the organizers through the REECL website.