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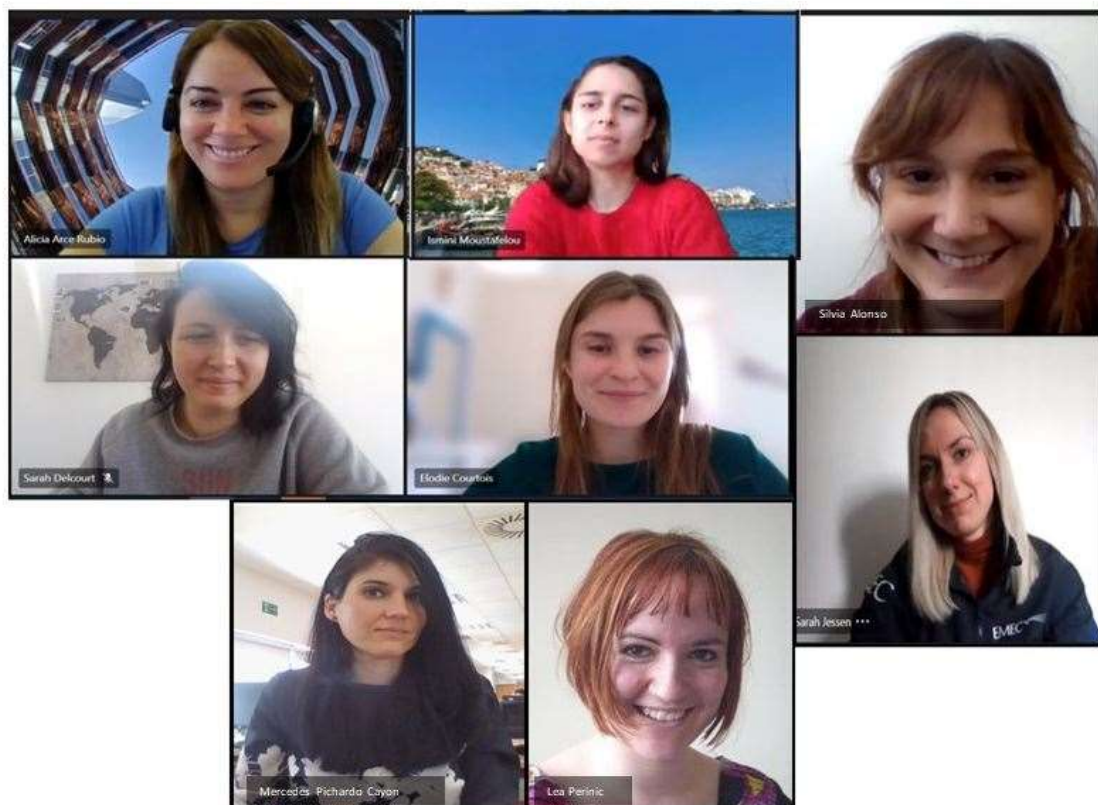
## WOMEN IN ISLANDER

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The ISLANDER consortium is made up of many experienced and capable females and this International Women's Day, we want to celebrate this. Globally, the number of women who enter the energy sector is small, and many leave because of gender bias, lack of opportunity and inadequate policy. ISLANDER is committed to eliminating gender bias within the project in general, the way we develop customer-oriented energy technologies and also within the way we report, engage with stakeholders and how we disseminate information.

We understand and take note of existing imbalances and #ChooseToChallenge!

Here are some of the hardworking women involved in this project and how they are contributing:



**Alicia Arce Rubio****– Project Coordinator (Ayesa)**

- PhD in Control systems and Robotics (Honours)
- 16 years of experience working in Artificial Intelligence for renewables and storage
- Involved in more than 25 R&D projects coordinating 5 of them

**Ismini Moustafelou****– Project manager on replication activities on Greek Islands (DAFNI)**

- Diploma in Chemical Engineering
- Master in Management of Technology
- Experience in European energy markets and policies with a focus on renewable energy sources

**Silvia Alonso****– Communication and social media manager (Zigor)**

- Master in Systems Engineering, Automation and Robotics
- 10 years of experience in research and innovation projects related with Smart Grids

**Sarah Delcourt****– Consumer Behaviour researcher focusing on consumer engagement and involvement in the project (KULeuven)**

- Master (cum laude) in Research Psychology
- Experience as data scientist within a customer analytics group of an insurance company
- Currently PhD candidate in consumer behavior, focussing on how we can understand consumer behavior and how we can promote behavioral changes toward a sustainable lifestyle

## Elodie Courtois

– Project manager on the development of forecasting models (Planète OUI)

- Master in general engineering at Ecole Centrale de Lyon (France), with a specialization in biotechnology at DTU (Denmark)
- 3 years of experience in project management financed by the H2020 program

## Lea Perinic

– Project and communication manager on replication activities on Croatian islands (REA Kvarner)

- Master in Cultural Studies, MEcon with specialization in Public Sector Management, currently studying towards MBA in Sustainable Management & Policy
- Experience in project management, event management and communication

## Sarah Jessen

– Project manager and partner lead for WP 8 Replication of project results (EMEC)

- BA (Hons) Business management graduate currently studying towards MSc Developing Low Carbon Communities
- Experience in project management, marketing, and dissemination

## Mercedes Pichardo Cayon

– Computer applications development technician (Ayesa)

- Experience for 4 years as BOT Manager with Machine Learning. Currently working in the exciting and interesting world of I+D with H2020 projects.
- Administrative management and project support in ISLANDER

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