



Are you ready for an academic journey?

Do you want to deepen your understanding of frugal innovation and become an active changemaker tackling societal challenges?

Can you commit eight hours a week in June and July?

Do you want to build an international network across four continents?

Are you ready to compare what you see around you with what peers in the Netherlands, Colombia, India and Kenya are seeing?



VOICE runs from 8 June to 31 July 2026  
Application deadline: 1 June 2026

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**Then VOICE is for you!**

An online learning programme on frugal and bottom-up innovation.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

- Eight weeks online, working in mixed multidisciplinary international teams with postgraduate students and practitioners from the Netherlands, Colombia, India and Kenya.
- No lecturer at the front. Teachers participate alongside students, not above them. Each week is led by a different partner institution, from their own context and expertise.
- Every week you conduct a flash ethnography: a short structured conversation with people around you about that week's theme. You bring your findings to your international team and compare what you found.
- Two themes run throughout the entire programme: decolonising knowledge systems, and parachute science. Whose expertise counts, and who gets to define what innovation means.
- Your team writes and publishes a blog on the International Centre for Frugal innovation website (ICFI), based on primary data from your flash ethnographies. You choose your own domain: health, energy, water, housing, agriculture, digitalisation, transport or safety.



### WHAT YOU WILL DEVELOP

- Intercultural communication
- Critical thinking
- Collaborative research
- Academic writing
- Flash ethnography as a research method

### PRACTICAL DETAILS

- Dates: 8 June to 31 July 2026
- Synchronous sessions: Monday and Wednesday, 14:00 to 16:30 CEST (Netherlands) | 07:00 to 09:30 COT (Colombia) | 17:30 to 20:00 IST (India) | 15:00 to 17:30 EAT (Kenya)
- Asynchronous work: Flash ethnography ± 1.5 hrs and Team collaboration ± 1.5 hrs per week
- Total time commitment: approximately 8 hours per week
- Target audience: postgraduate students
- Certificate: official numbered certificate with all partner institution logos, no ECTS credits
- Platform: Brightspace and LinkedIn group
- Cost: free of charge
- Application deadline: 1 June 2026