

## **The Fundación Cepsa Chair finishes setting up the 'MakerSpace' room at ULL**

- **The new facility will provide a multidisciplinary work space where students can develop innovative initiatives and encourage collaborative teamwork**
- **The initiative is another effort by the Chair to promote research, training, scientific dissemination, and knowledge transfer**

The Fundación Cepsa Chair of Ecological Transition and Innovation at the University of La Laguna is putting the finishing touches on a 'MakerSpace' room, a multidisciplinary work space where students can develop innovative initiatives to put what they've learned in the classroom into practice, in addition to promoting collaborative teamwork.

The vice-rector for Citizen Participation and Culture, Juan Albino Méndez, the director of the Chair, Elena Pastor, the Cepsa Corporate Relations director in Andalusia and the Canary Islands, Jesús Velasco, and the head of Fundación Cepsa in the Islands, Belén Machado, visited and checked the progress on the refurbishment work being done for the new facility, located in the School of Engineering and Technology, so that they could also see the features that will be incorporated for themselves.

The 'MakerSpace' room, which will be inaugurated soon, was designed to be a common meeting place for university students, equipped with a wide variety of materials and equipment and open to people from different disciplines who can join together to develop their projects. The room is thus dedicated to putting what is learnt in the classroom into practice and taking it to the next level, thanks to collaborations with other teams from different disciplines.

With a capacity of up to 30 people, it is conceived as a space that can be used in a variety of ways, and it can be organized and modulated according to the needs of its users at any given time. In this sense, it can be used as a meeting room for group projects, as a classroom, as a workshop, as an exhibition room, or for electronics and radio work. In addition to these uses, it can be used as a MOOC classroom, to record large online courses, and even as a small control room for ULL student space missions.

To be able to do all this, it will have a wide range of electrical and electronic tools and materials, large-format 3D printers, a laser cutting machine, an augmented reality machine, and a 3D scanner. Apart from this, the space will also have the necessary equipment to organize livestreams and videoconferences, and will also be equipped with a high-powered computer that will be used, among many other uses, to carry out advanced simulations.



With this project, the Fundación Cepsa Chair, created in 2018, takes another step forward in promoting research, training, scientific dissemination, and knowledge transfer, in this case by having students start up practical activities that help them move towards global training.

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