



Activity Report

C a r l F a u s t F o u n d a t i o n

2021

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President of the Board of Trustees

The Carl Faust Foundation has gone through an extremely difficult situation in 2021. In fact, the nonprofit sector itself, the country and the entire planet have suffered during this year. We are no exception, and have certainly been involved in this strange situation caused by the prolongation of the effects of the pandemic caused by COVID19.

The activity of the Foundation, especially that related to the Marimurtra Botanical Garden, has been severely affected by the pandemic. Fewer resources of all kinds mean a thinning of expected results. Research projects, outreach opportunities, and conservation itself have been seriously questioned over the 12 months of 2021. For a private foundation like ours, downtime is a serious problem. The so-called third sector tends to work pretty well under normal circumstances, but it hardly tolerates shocks. And that was the case with the Carl Faust Foundation.

Managing 2021 required large doses of energy that, once again, we got from the Foundation's human team. From patrons, organized by the board of trustees and the various committees, to the Foundation's own staff, everyone did everything in their reach (and often a little more) to keep Faust's project alive during the pandemic.

This long contextualization is just a previous comment to highlight the immense value each and every one of the actions and activities that have been carried out in Marimurtra in spite of the situation. Each and every one of them has required a lot of effort, a lot of dedication and an absolute conviction that the only way was to move forward. That is why I can do nothing but invite you one more year to check everything that can happen in Marimurtra Botanical Garden during that year. Even in a year like 2021.





100 YEARS OF HISTORY

The Marimurtra Botanical Garden has been part of the Costa Brava landscape for more than 100 years. Carl Faust (1874-1952) arrived in Barcelona in 1897 to work in trade. He soon integrated into the social and civic life of the city of Barcelona, where he founded a very successful company, Faust y Kammann.

From 1918, having discovered Blanes and the Costa Brava, he began to buy the land where the Marimurtra Botanical Garden is currently located. In 1921 the construction of the house and the architectural ensemble began, which today still welcomes visitors to the Botanical Garden. From that moment on, his dream of contributing to science began to come true with the creation of a botanical garden of reference for European and worldwide botanists.

For almost three decades, Faust led Marimurtra through the difficult times of the Civil War, World War II, and postwar, but never losing sight of his ultimate goal. In 1951, a year before his death, he created the Carl Faust Foundation with the aim of keeping his dream and work alive. Today, the Carl Faust Foundation continues to be in charge of managing the Marimurtra Botanical Garden in accordance with the designs of its creator, conducting ambitious research, conservation and dissemination projects that represent a contribution to society.

Mission

The protection and promotion of Mediterranean Biology studies, especially in Botany, while conserving and improving the Marimurtra Botanical Garden for the benefit of scientific research and dissemination.



By virtue of all this, it aims to (*):

- a) To increase the collections of living plants in the garden while continuing, to the extent deemed appropriate, the occupation of the lands that belong to it.
- b) Increase its Herbaria and Library materials,
- c) To maintain, and to adapt if necessary, the laboratories and the meteorological observatory and to add those facilities that are necessary for the scientific research,
- d) In general, set up a first-rate Botanical research center offered to international cooperation, and
- e) Contribute to the dissemination of knowledge of the plant world and its importance in the Biosphere as a whole

* *Extract of the Founding Statutes of the Carl Faust Foundation.*



BGCI

Botanical Garden Conservation
International



AIMJB

Asociación Íbero-macaronésica de
Jardines Botánicos



SEBICOP

Sociedad Española de Biología
de la Conservación de Plantas



CCABG

Climate Change Alliance of
Botanic Gardens

**THE
MARIMURTRA
BOTANICAL
GARDEN IS PART
OF SCIENTIFIC
ORGANIZATIONS
SUCH AS:**

Governance and Operation



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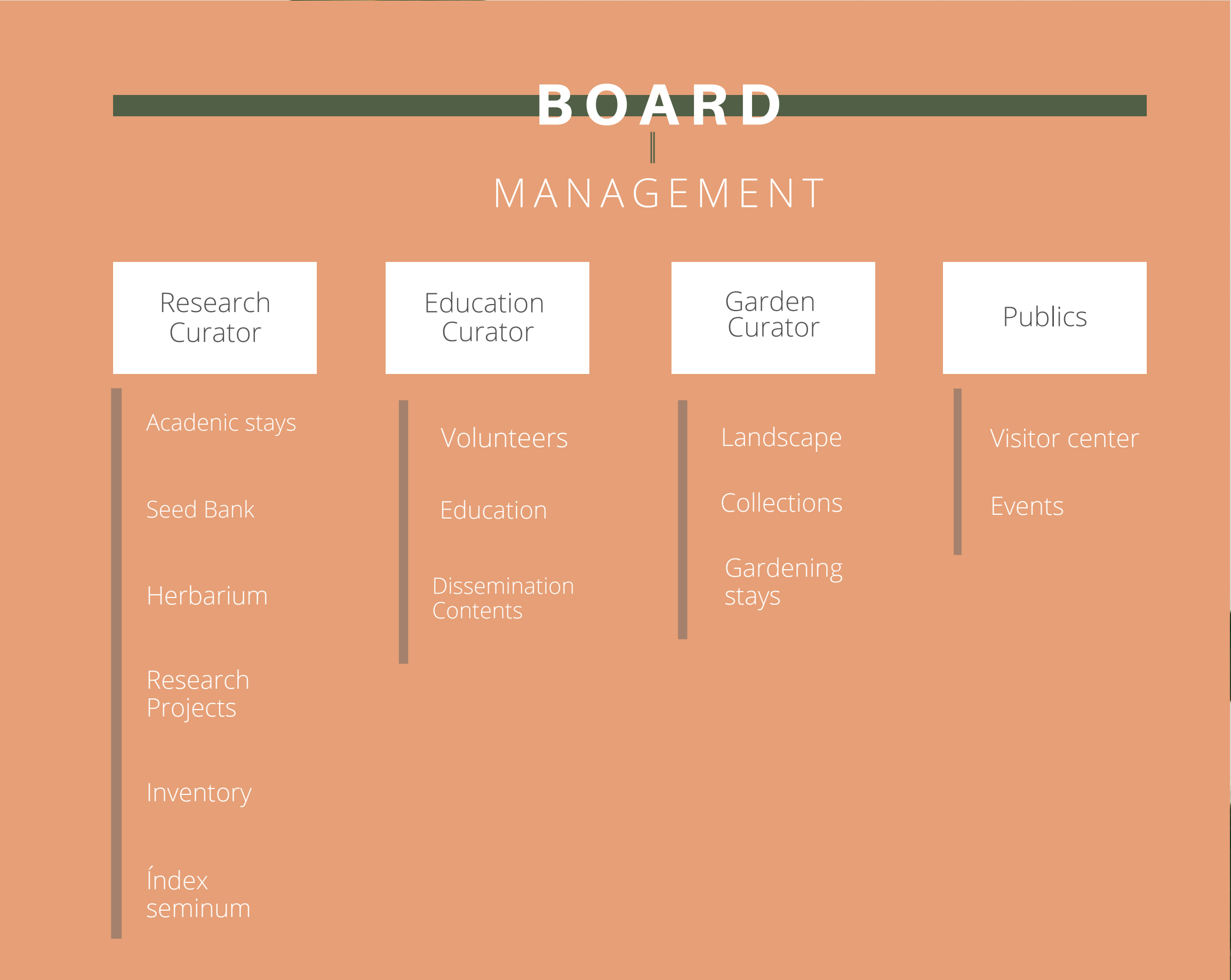
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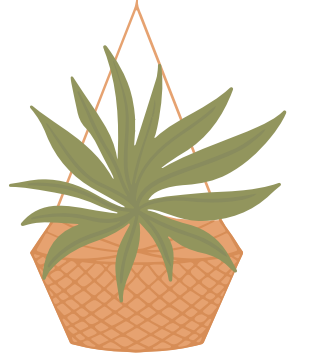
Structure and staff

Foundational Activity Area



PART 1

Foundation activity



1.1 CONSERVATION

Regular maintenance of the garden, remodeling of certain areas and elimination of affected species.

Collaborations and participations with third parties

- Essay on extracts with students of the UdG and Jordi Puigdefàbregas
- Participation in the Patt Conference
- Documentary on Horticultural Biodiversity (BBVA & Celler de Can Roca)

Collections

>>> TAX MOVEMENT 2021

Donation of a collection of Cacti and succulents by Miguel Ángel Visanzay Garcia

Planting the Begonia collection in the shade area: 30 taxa

Euphorbia plantation, donated by Andreu del Campo: 12 taxa

Planting Epiphytes in the pergola: 19 species

Planting of two specimens of *Encephalartos lehmanni* and *Dioon spinulosum*

1st Garden Plantations: Canary Islands and Mexico: 34 species

Biodiversity promotion and pest management

Works prior to the naturalization of the 3rd pond.

Bird watching and inventory in the feeding areas



RESEARCH AND CONSERVATION ACTIVITY (1.2)

ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES IN THE FIELD OF
FLORA RESEARCH AND CONSERVATION.

1 - INVENTORY OF TAXA

Increase of 260 taxa compared to 2020 | 3,500 taxa
in the 2021 inventory 

2 - CONSERVATION OF FLORA

The ex situ conservation project of *Achillea maritima* has remained active, where vegetative reproduction has been observed.

TARGET 

This ex situ population of *Achillea maritima* in Marimurtra is the bank to produce new plants of this species.

3 - STUDENTS' INTERNSHIPS (PE) AND FINAL DEGREE PROJECT (TFG)

Study of plant extracts in Marimurtra (three students)

Study of critical taxonomic groups (two applications received)

Study of aquatic macroinvertebrates (directed by researcher Dani Boix, UdG)





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FLORA RESEARCH AND CONSERVATION.

4 - COLLABORATIONS WITH OTHER PROJECTS OR RESEARCH GROUPS

Throughout 2021, three requests for plant material have been received from universities in other countries and five requests for reference botanical gardens.

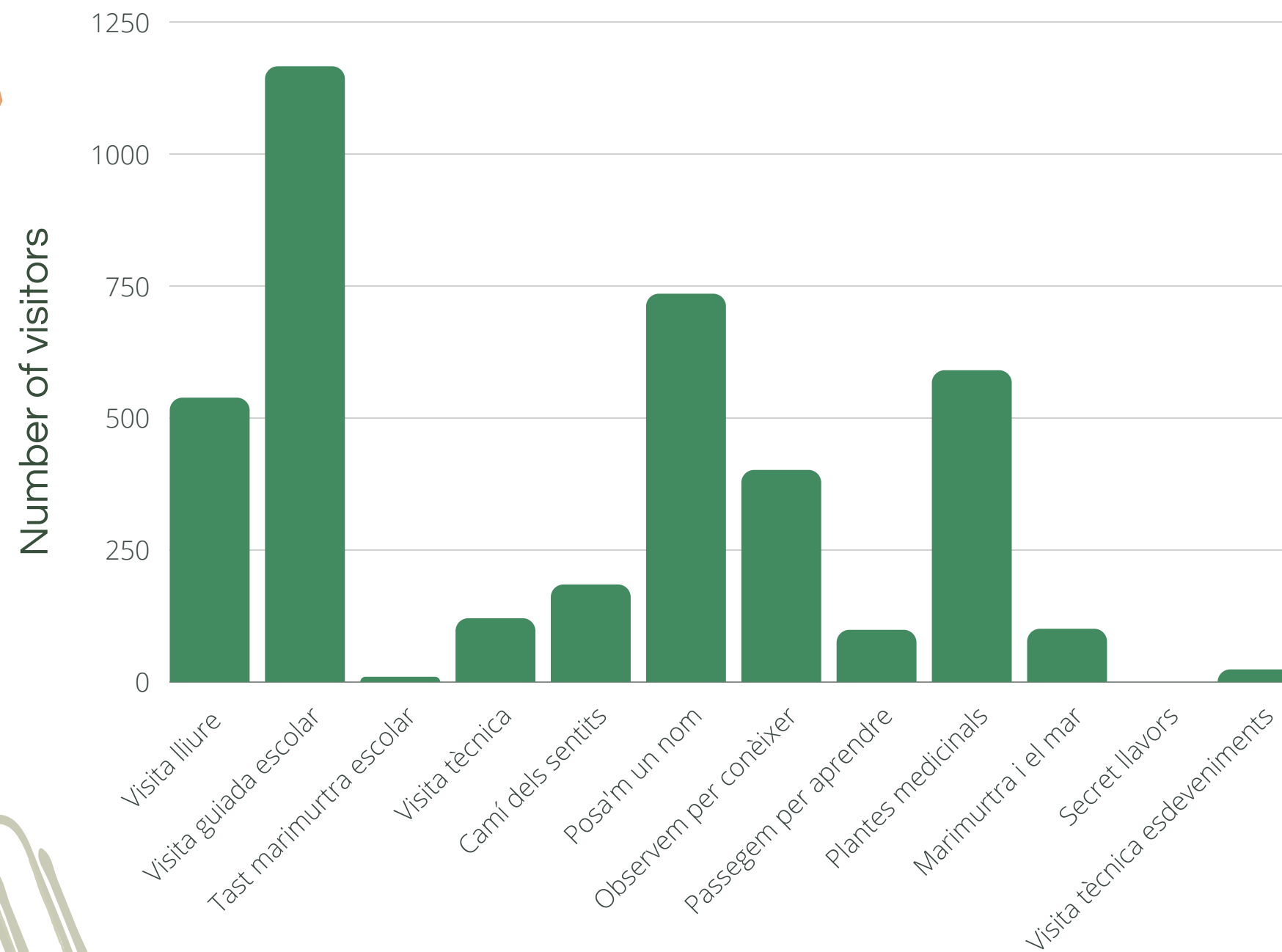
5 - PUBLICATIONS IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED DIRECTLY: ②

6 - PARTICIPATION IN CONGRESSES AND CONFERENCES: ④

4270 visitors from the following kind of groups:

a) Schools (3959 - 92%)

b) Non-Scholar (311 - 8%)

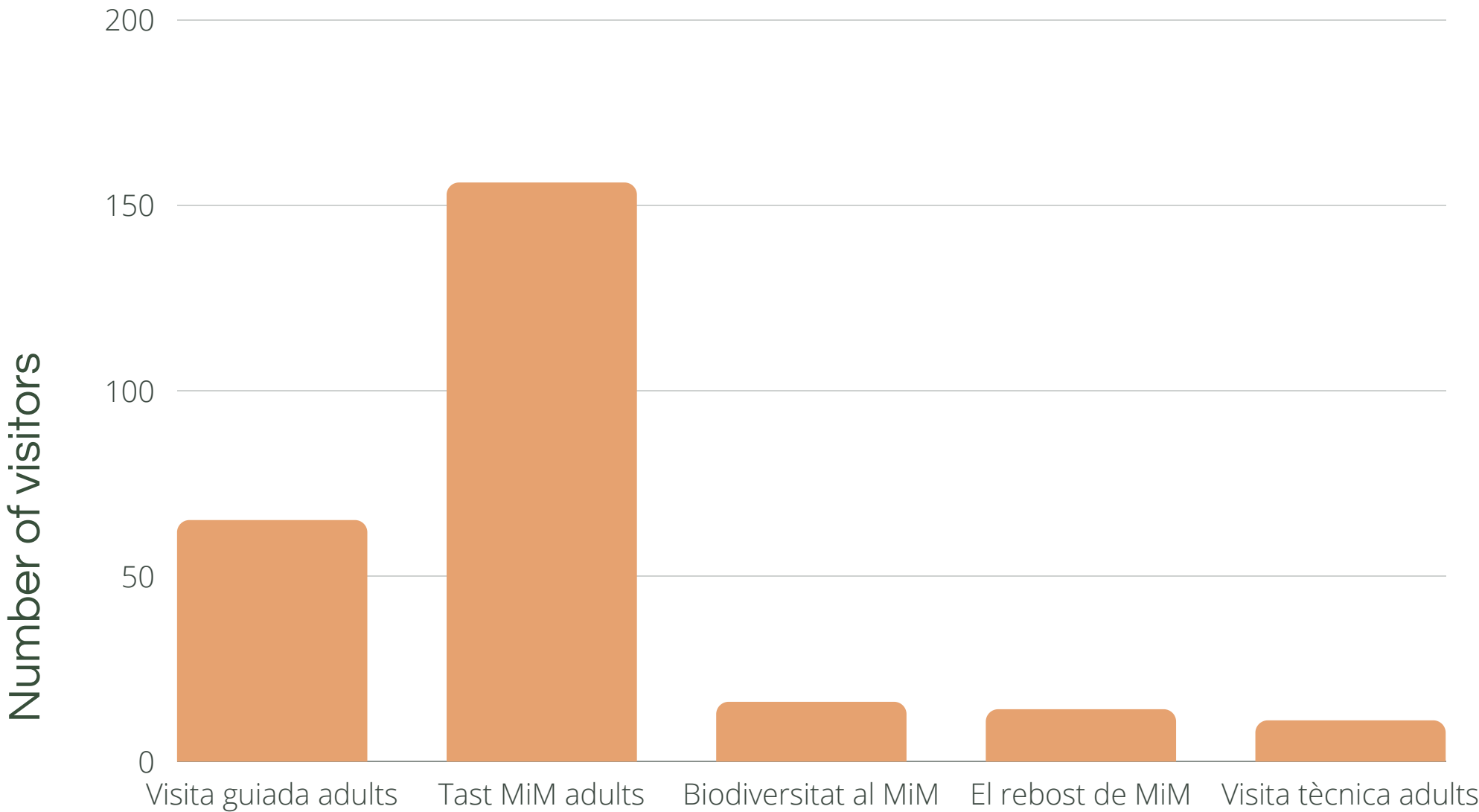


**DISSEMINATION
ACTIVITY (1.3)**



b) Non-School Groups (311 - 8%)

Annual visits offered all year round focused on adults / relatives in groups of friends, family or associations who request a guided tour to get to know the Garden.

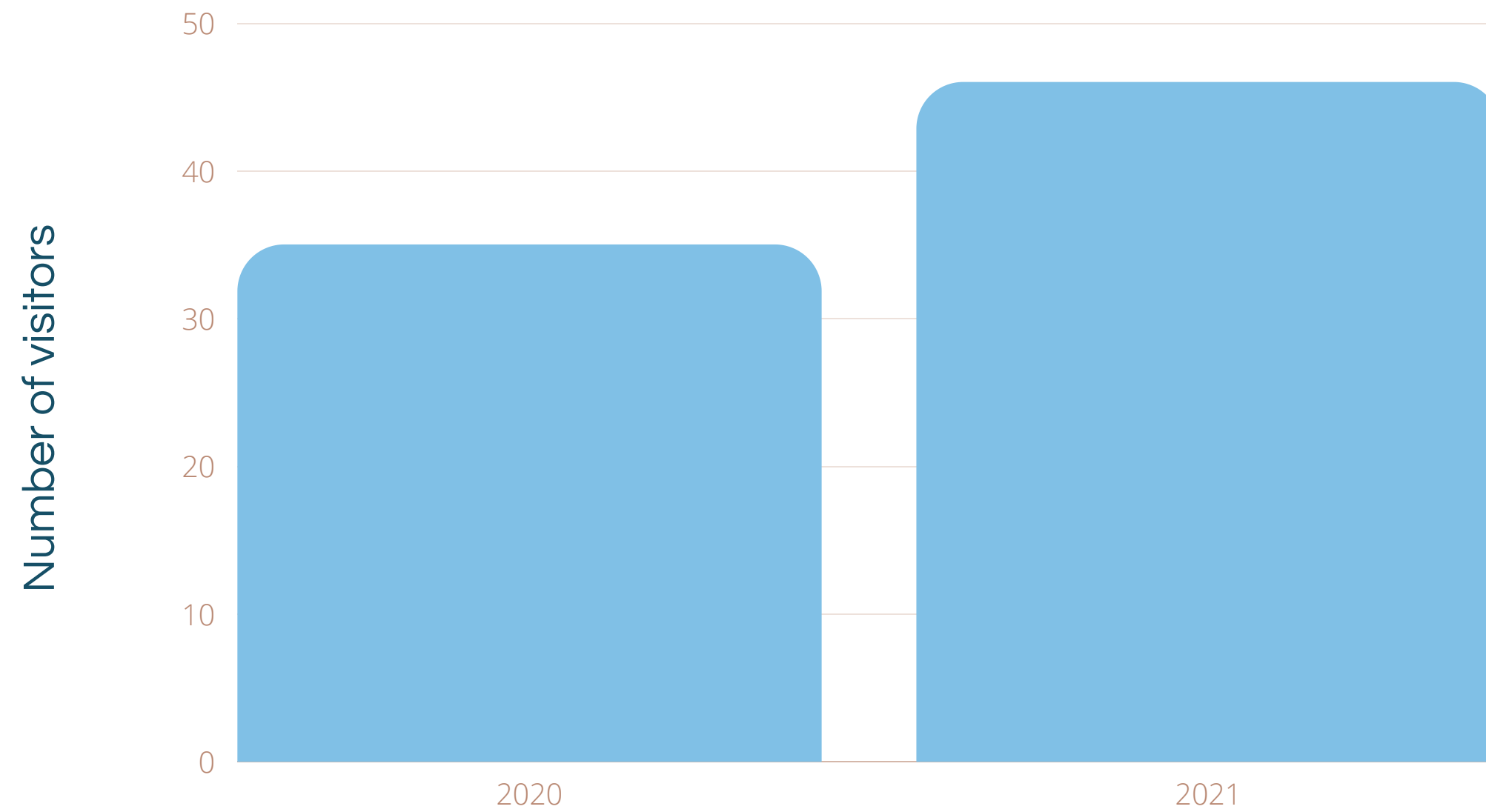


**DISSEMINATION
ACTIVITY (1.3)**



c) Seasonal or occasional visits / activities

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**DISSEMINATION
ACTIVITY (1.3)**

d) Voluntariat...

International

End of ESC project - 2 volunteers
Project duration - 9 months

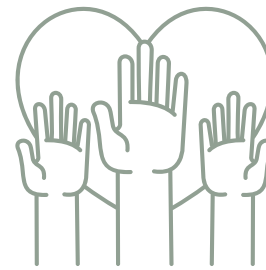
End of ESC project - 1 volunteer
Project duration - 9 months

INTERNSHIP - 1 volunteer
Project duration - 6 months

ESC project start - 2 volunteers
Project duration - 8 months

National

One person remains despite
COVID19



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Maintenance of collaboration with Mosquito Alert
traps and sampling of the CSIC research group



Resumes tiger mosquito treatments

**DISSEMINATION
ACTIVITY (1.3)**





ACTIVITY OF THE SEEDS BANK AND HERBARIUM (1.4)

1 - SEEDS BANK

971 seed records digitalized.

Index Seminum (IS) is republished after 6 years. 10 seed requests are received from universities, research centers, botanical gardens and others.

2 - HERBARIUM

1,200 records entered in the MIM herbarium.

Thanks to the Francesc Eiximenis 2021 Grant in favor of Carles Burguera, the Foundation has received two lots of historic herbaria.

Visit to the Olesa de Montserrat Parish Archive. The photographed material is being examined and awaiting joint assessment to determine the importance and potential of the documents.

As part of the #ScienceWeek, the Herbarium and the Seeds Bank took part in the "Marimurtra + scientific" event.

3 - PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS AND CONFERENCES

In publication no. 6 of the magazine Milfulles there is an extensive supplement on research and dissemination of the garden and a publication by Carles Bruguera: The genus Agave and its presence in the Catalan Countries.

Attendance and participation in the XXIV Biennial of the Royal Spanish Society of Natural History (Valencia, 8-11 / 09/2021), with the presentation The herbarium of the Biological Institute of Sarrià and the botanist Jaume Capell Bellmunt (1907-1965): a good example of the contributions to botany outside the centers of higher education or research "per Carles Burguera.

Paper "A botanist in Torregrossa: Jaume Capell Bellmunt (1907-1965)" in the library of Torregrossa (Pla d'Urgell), by Carles Burguera.

PART 2

Exploitation and Communication

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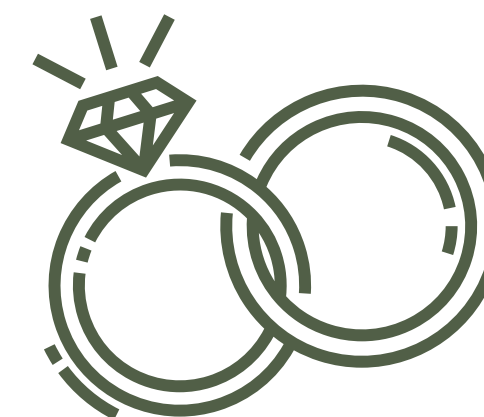
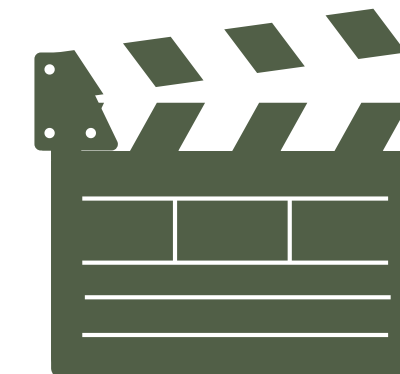
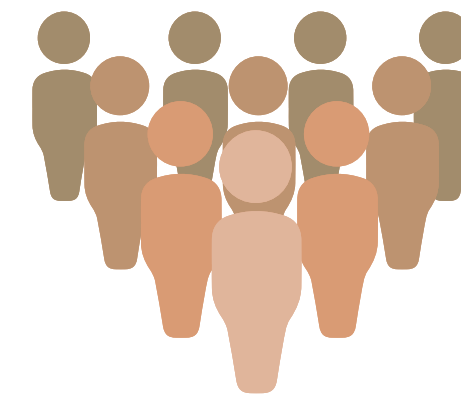
Exploitation | Communication

2.1 EXPLOITATION DATA

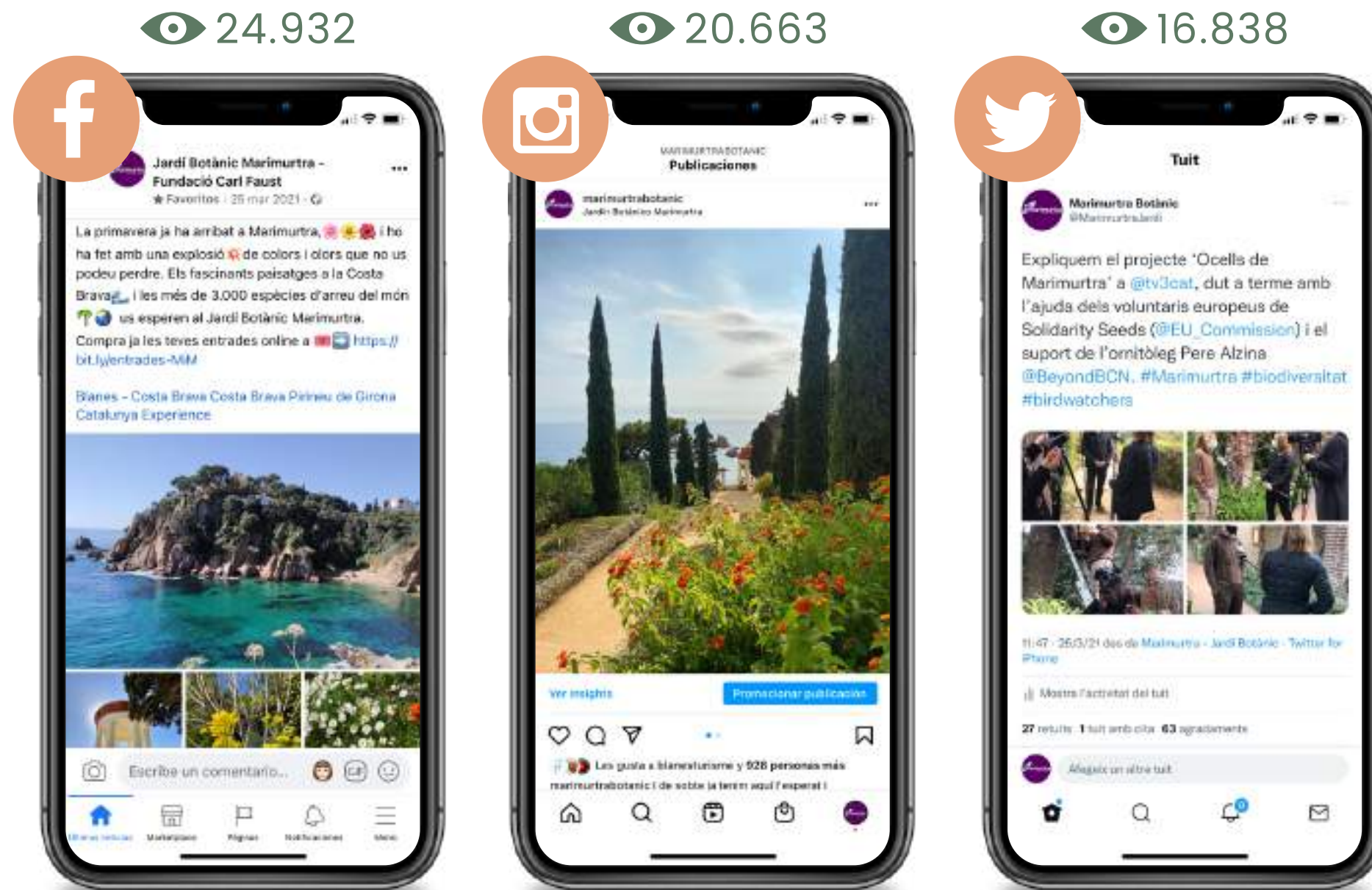
Visitors **70.807** 98,79% + than expected

Shootings, canons and filming **45**

Weddings **18**

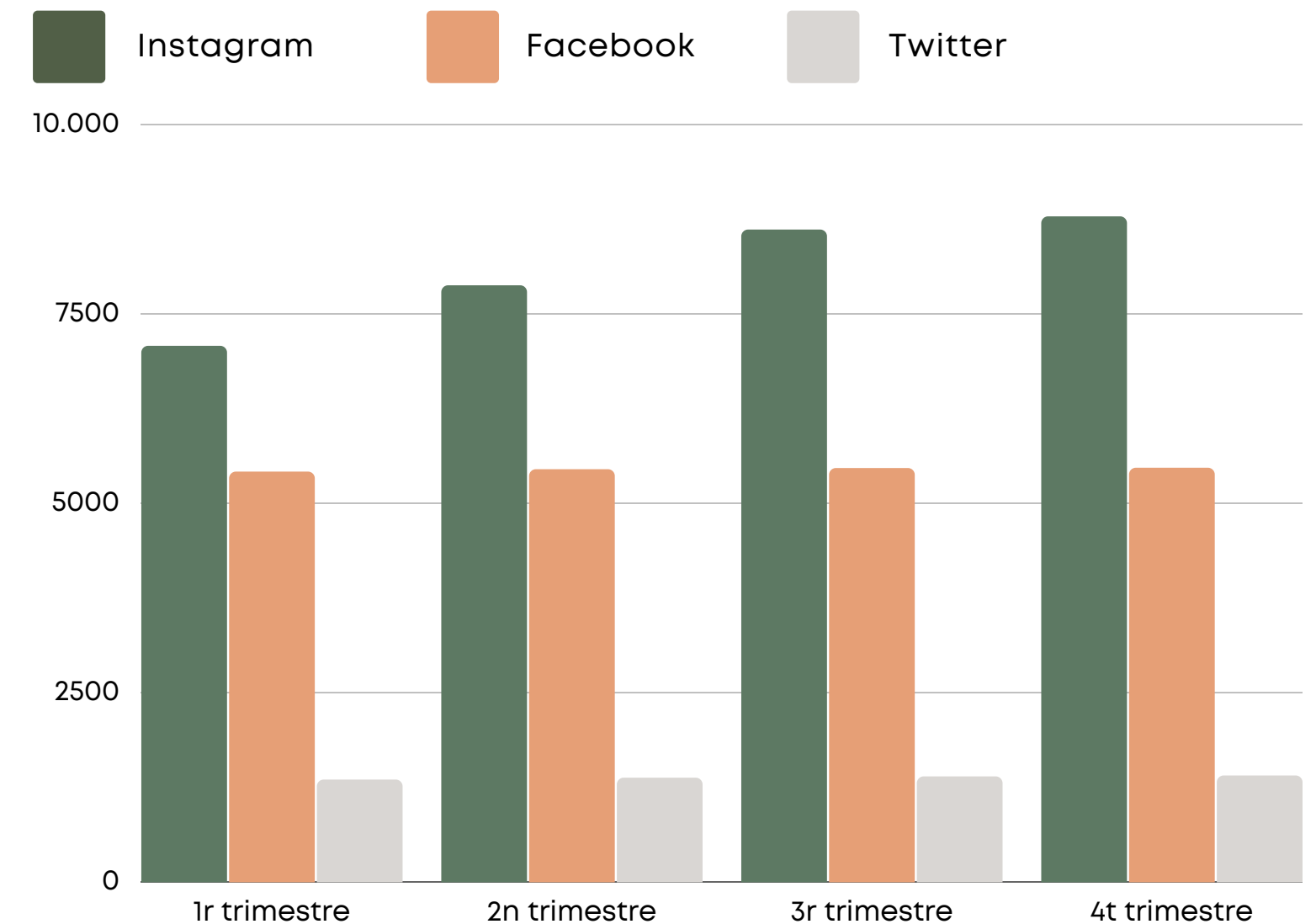


2.2 COMMUNICATION



**Most outstanding
publications of the
year**

Followers in Social Media



NEWSLETTER



1.374 subscribers



15 sendings

WEB

168.514

pages seen during
2021

Press Releases

11 Press
Releases



PART 3

Economic Information

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ECONOMIC DATA

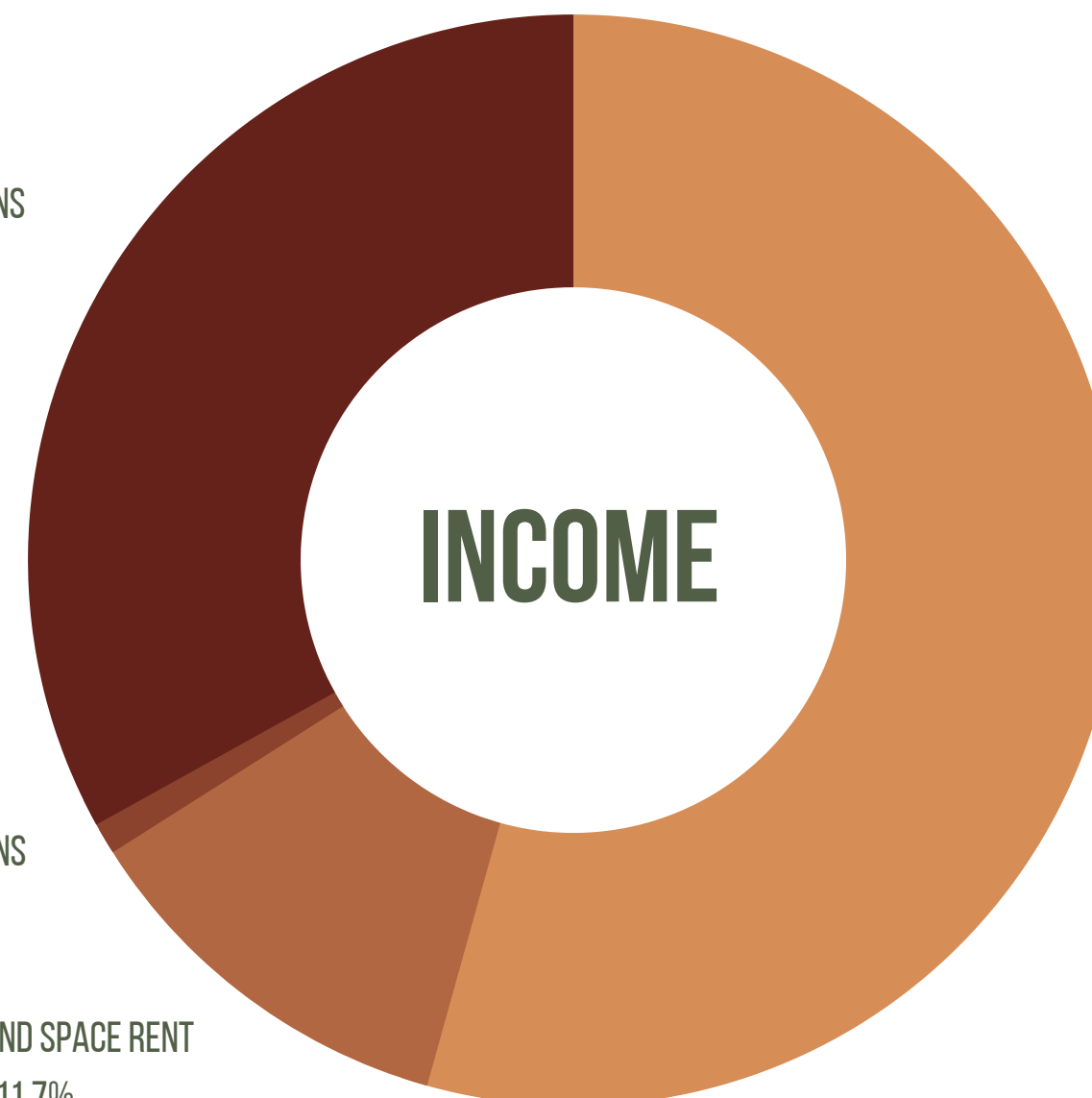


REAL ESTATE AND FINANCIAL RETURNS
33.1%

GRANTS AND DONATIONS
0.9%

EVENTS AND SPACE RENT
11.7%

TICKETS AND SHOP
54.3%



OPERATING ACCOUNT

Income from the activity	896.977,80 €
Financial income	8.522,10 €
Activity expenses	- 720.107,77 €
Financial expenses and amortization	- 58.885,28 €

OUTCOME

126.433,85€

SITUATION BALANCE

600.000.000 €

400.000.000 €

200.000.000 €

0 €

290.170,62 € Current Assets

Non-current Assets

5.206.158,60 €

ACTIVE

149.774,68 € Current liabilities

324.673,99 € Non-current liabilities

Net worth

5.021.880,55 €

PASSIVE

PART 3
ECONOMIC DATA



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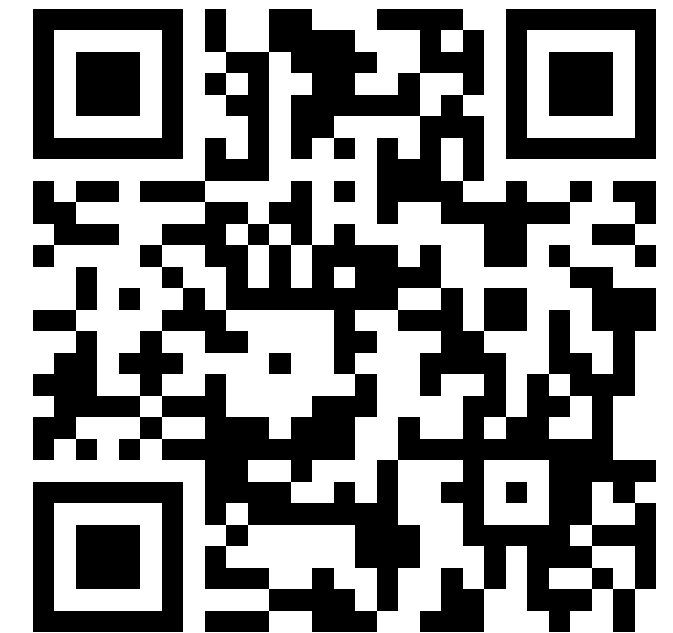
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