Brief description of the institution:

The Universidad de Sevilla (US) was established in 1505 and, with more than 70,000 students and 6,700 staff, is the third largest university in Spain. US embraces academia, industry, engineering and science and, with a relevant educational and technological infrastructure, is an intellectual reference in the South of Europe.

More than 10,000 students are following postgraduate courses, enrolled into 86 master programs and 152 doctoral programs. And the university holds academic partnerships with 850 institutions throughout the world.

US is also devoted to research and innovation; therefore, in addition to its 4,300 academic staff, there are 1,600 researchers and over 470 scientific groups associated to the university. Research is carried out within academic departments, in 6 research centers and 9 university research institutes.

Research facilities offer highly advanced research services at the Center for Research, Technology and
Innovation (CITIUS) that provides the most advanced and state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation and techniques to research groups, public research institutes and industries. This is complemented by important national research centers such as the Institute in Mathematic Research (IMUS), the Biomedicine Research Institute (IBIS), the National Research Center for Accelerators (AMS) and the Institute of Microelectronics (IMSE-CNM).

The researchers with Marie Curie contracts at US will be considered for tenure track at the end of their contract.

**Brief description of the Centre/Research Group (including URL if applicable):**

The Laboratory of Personal Networks and Communities (LRPC) at the Social Psychology Department at the US is recognized as a research group by the Research Plan of Andalusia and the US’s Research Foundation and is one of the International Cooperation Groups of the US. It adopts a comparative research approach, focusing on the psychological sense of community within varying relational contexts: local communities, transnational communities and online communities. In addition, it has a special focus on social and community intervention. It has developed competitive projects of the National Plan of R & D in Spain on the structure of personal networks in immigrant population. The lab is a member of International Network for Social network Analysis (INSNA) and the Society for Community Research and Action (SCRA).

LRCP is cited as one of the relevant groups in network analysis in Spain, in the most important journal in the field (Social Networks). It has developed competitive projects of the National Plan of R & D in Spain on the structure of personal networks in the immigrant population. See publications: [https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Isidro_Jariego/publications](https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Isidro_Jariego/publications)

In the Marie Curie 2016 call the LRPC received the European Commission's "seal of excellence", which recognizes it as a high-quality project in a highly competitive call.

**Project description:**

Building up a typology of personal networks to explore psychological individual differences.

The study of the structural properties of personal networks has experienced a significant boost since 2002. Key dimensions of inter-individual variability in centrality and cohesion measures have been analyzed. However, there is hardly a small number of studies that had examined the relationship of personal networks variability with personality characteristics and other psychological variables, such as networking and communication skills. This project focuses on (a) identifying and describing the types of personal networks and (b) evaluating the relationship of personal networks to personality characteristics and other behavioral aspects.

**Applications**
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