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Hello, I'm Mel Woods. I'm a professor at the University of Dundee and I'm part of WeObserve, an ecosystem of citizen observatories for environmental monitoring. Welcome to the course We Observe the Earth. Over the next four weeks, we'll discover citizen science and find out what it takes to create a citizen observatory. In today's world, many people would like to understand the environment and put their knowledge into action to help make positive change. This course will show you how to do this and work together with others to do it as well. We'll introduce a variety of citizen science projects happening now right around the world.	
We hope to help you build your knowledge on this subject and feel empowered to start up your own initiative. In this course, we'll demonstrate some of the basics for participating in and developing a project. We'll also introduce best practises for community building, question forming, and data collecting. They'll be lots of opportunities to collaborate with other learners and work with simple environmental data sets. This is more than just an introduction to citizen science, this course will also help you to see the value of creating your own project.	
You will find out how you can use the information you collect to make a change in your own life and also speak to others about changing things that will make a difference where you live and around the world. In our next video, you'll meet the people behind	

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WeObserve and hear about the fantastic citizen observatories that make up this diverse group. I hope you'll enjoy the course and I'll see you again next time.	
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