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My name is Valeriia Prokuratova, I'm 25 years old.

For the last 2 years I have been working in the Center for Science Communication of ITMO University (Saint Petersburg, Russia), where I coordinate the Master's programme in Science communication and work on different projects connected to education, science popularization and research in science communication.

I joined the team of our Center after graduation from Stockholm University in Sweden, where I studied media and communication. I wrote my master's thesis, of course, about science communication and its development in Russian online social media.

My undergraduate studies were in advertising and public relations in Saint Petersburg Institute of Culture. Already then, I knew that my professional path will be connected to public communication of science because as a topic for my Bachelor's thesis I chose promotion of Science Slam project, which is one of the most popular and successful science popularization projects in Russia.

Currently I also take various trainings for instructors (for example, in February I came back from Boston University where I took the course "English as a Medium of Instruction") in hope that in the future I will get a chance to teach science communication.