NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE CENTER

A new look for the "Citizen Science Tools" website

We are developing a set of tools that make it easy for scientists and citizens to engage with Citizens Science projects. As the number of tools is growing, we recently released our updated website featuring detailed tutorials and the beta-version of the Citizen Science Logger - a tool for data collection projects. Discover the tools and what is new!

The Citizen Science Center Zurich is developing a set of tools that make it easy for scientists and citizens to engage with Citizens Science projects.

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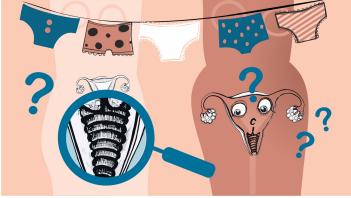# NEWS FROM THE PARTICIPATORY SCIENCE ACADEMY

The introductory workshop "Citizen Science Projects with Impact" enters a new round (only German)

On May 25, the introductory workshop on impact-oriented planning and design of Citizen Science projects will take place for the second time. Participants will learn how to independently apply the steps of impact orientation and evaluation to their work. The goal is, among other things, to differentiate target groups more sharply, to formulate concrete impact goals for them, and to adapt these, if possible, in order to better achieve the goals.

The registration deadline is May 18. Further information and registration can be found on the website.

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NEWS FROM PARTNERS & PROJECTS

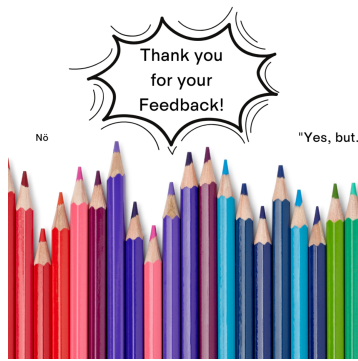## The Marie project: it's time to talk about vaginal health!

Switzerland is proud of its innovative mindset. Still, the country is ignoring vaginal health and its guardians, the microorganisms living in each vagina (a.k.a. the vaginal microbiome). Marie wants to change that with a Swiss health survey focused on women's health and at-home self-sampling for vaginal microbiome screening. Marie has the support of international partners and Swiss institutions with expertise in crucial areas to make it a success, but financial aid is needed. If you can, **please support Marie's crowdfunding campain**!

to the campaign

Great variety of topics for heterogeneous educational interests 60+

The Senior University UZH3 started the spring semester with a colorful bouquet of educational offerings. Since the fall semester 2021 the lectures are offered in a hybrid format. They are available to members on the "myUZH3" learning platform in a growing online archive for later viewing. UZH3 also promotes competencies that are important for evaluating research. At the same time, it also enables active participation and thus maintains a community of people interested in participatory research, as they are sought in Citizen Science projects.
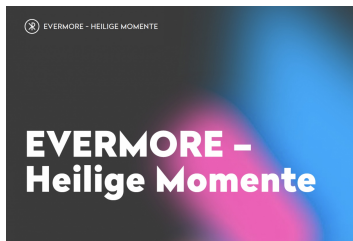
more information

The 10 Swiss Citizen Science Principles are now available in four languages!

The principles are intended to serve as a common basis and orientation for all Citizen Science stakeholders. They were developed in a participatory process and feedback from an open online consultation was also incorporated. An initial discussion of the principles and reflection on their use in practice took place at the *Schweiz forscht* network meeting on March 8, 2022.

to the 10 principles

EVERMORE-App: exploring spirituality in everyday life together

The researchers of Project 6 of the URPP "Digital Religion(s)" investigate together with app users how the use of the meditation and prayer app EVERMORE affects their everyday life, their spirituality, their self-perception and their relationships. The goal of the reserach project is to gain deeper insights into the dynamics of lived spirituality in a culture of digitality.

learn more about the project

New texts for the Technorama

What would science communication look like if it were designed by the people to whom it is actually addressed? The project "Science Communication by Laypersons for Laypersons" explores this little known question. In a large workshop held with visitors of the Technorama on March 5, Citizen Scientistis, the Science Center, and text linguists discussed and tested how to redesign the exhibit's texts in Technorama. The outcome includes an additional training course for Technorama staff, and a visitors interest group which Technorama can consult in the future.

learn more about the project

"In the mirror, a part of me was suddenly erased."

The second workshop with URPP's Citizen Science Advisory Panel, "Human Reproduction reloaded," was held on March 18, 2022. Dr. Daniel Drewniak presented preliminary findings from the IDENTITY study, in which he is researching the experiences of individuals conceived with the help of sperm donation. Anina Meier presented her ethnological research on "Potentialities of CRISPR in Human Reproduction." This was followed by a discussion of the questionnaire for the planned survey on attitudes towards assisted reproductive medicine. The workshop ended with a joint lunch.

learn more about the project

Call for proposals: ECSA Conference 2022

The ECSA Conference 2022 invites researchers from all disciplines, scientists, practitioners, activists, funders, policymakers, non-governmental organisations, artists, and other interested citizens worldwide to reflect, discuss, and network on the topic of **Citizen Science for Planetary Health**. The Conference takes place from October 5-8 in Berlin, Germany.

The call for proposals for the 4th ECSA Conference is now open until **April 30, 2022.**

more information

Call for abstracts: SDGs and International Development Frameworks

The "Citizen Science: Theory and Practice - Special Collection" aims to bring together papers that offer insights into the contributions of citizen science to the monitoring, implementation, and achievement of the SDGs as well as other international agreements and frameworks.

They seek a range of papers including research papers, review and synthesis papers, case studies, essays, and method papers. **Closing date for abstracts is April 30, 2022**.

more information

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 31.03. 19:30 - 21:30

Pub forscht online 5.0: the Citizen Science-Pub Quiz

Österreich forscht and the *Wiener Volkshochschule (VHS)* invite you to the Citizen Science Online Pub Quiz. After the great success of the popular pub quiz, the organizers are very pleased to invite you to a new edition together with our colleagues from the VHS Vienna. On March 31, 2022, from 19:30-21:30 we will be quizzing together again via Zoom. And once again there will be a great prize for the winning team, so it's worth taking part.

More information and registration

Tuesday, 05.04. 15:00 - 15:30

The CO-ffe Break

The CO-ffe break: COllaboration, COcreation, and COntribution with the Swiss Science COmmunity! *Schweiz forscht* and the Participatory Science Academy invite you to a virtual coffee break - with members of the *Schweiz forscht* netowork **every first Tuesday of the month**. Next date is April 05, 2022, from 15:00-15:30. Welcome! Willkommen! Bienvenue! Benvenuti!

More information (no registration necessary)

Tuesday, 03.05. + Wednesday, 04.05.

Meet the CrowdWater Team!

Do you want to meet the CrowdWater team or learn more about the CrowdWater project? They would also like to meet you and learn about your CrowdWater experiences! Therefore, they are organizing two "Meet the Team" events in May. Sign up now and save the date:

- In Zurich (near the UZH Irchel campus) on May 3 at 7 pm: https://forms.gle/fjY7qieJHx5yB6Km6
- Online (on Zoom) on May 4 at 6:30 pm: https://uzh.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Elf-qrqDItG9BczMi4LrQcsX_hD-vqv6Rl

The CrowdWater team is looking forward to discussing the CrowdWater project with you and is also curious about meeting you!

Friday, 13.05. – Monday, 16.05.

Invitation to join the Challenge: Toxic Comments

From May 13 - 16, 2022, the Digital Democracy Lab and the Immigration Policy Lab are organising a challenge to identify toxic uses of language and hate speech. Together, we will check 1500 comments to online newspaper articles in order to optimise algorithms searching for toxic uses of language. The challenge is taking place on our Citizen Science Project Builder and will include a series of interesting workshops on the topic. We are very much looking forward to

seeing as many of you there as possible! Participants need to be fluent in German.

More information

Tuesday, 28.06.

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Thursday, 30.06.

The 7th Austrian Citizen Science Conference (new dates!)

From June 28 - 39, 2022, the 7th Austrian Citizen Science Conference "Citizen Science - Why (actually) not?" will take place in Vorarlberg. The German-speaking Citizen Science community will meet in Dornbirn to exchange ideas on the latest developments around Citizen Science. The conference will be held in German. Following the tradition of the Austrian Citizen Science Conferences, all disciplines and representatives with different institutional backgrounds are explicitly invited to participate.

More information and registration

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