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### **NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE CENTER**



# Citizen Science community meets in Aarhus, Denmark

After more than 2 years, the Citizen Science community (mainly from Europe) met again in-person! The occasion was the "Engaging Citizen Science" conference on 25-26 April in Aarhus (more on this when the proceedings will be out). This was also the occasion to meet for the first time the TIME4CS team, after almost 16 months of working together remotely. TIME4CS is a EU project that aims at supporting and facilitating the implementation of sustainable institutional changes in research performing organizations to promote Citizen Science. **To learn more about the project, watch the recently published short video.** 

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# EU Project INCENTIVE: 2-day workshop in Barcelona

The Center is also part in the EU project INCENTIVE. The project addresses the current lack of citizen participation in research and innovation by creating and operating four Citizen Science Hubs: spaces within the universities' premises where citizens and local stakeholders can connect with researchers and scientists and become empowered to identify societal challenges and co-define solutions through Citizen Science. During a 2-day workshop in Barcelona most of the team also met for the first time. **To get to know the project in a nutshell, watch the short video.** 



### NEWS FROM THE PARTICIPATORY SCIENCE ACADEMY



#### Citizen Science resources at a glance

The Participatory Science Academy (PWA) published a curated resources collection for Citizen Science (CS) and participatory projects in general. It contains guides and manuals for a general understanding of CS and with concrete tips for project implementation. There are platforms with ongoing CS projects and live communities. Newly published and key research on CS have their own category. Finally, an overview of useful tools and toolboxes containing methods for all kinds of participatory processes. For the time being, the resources collection exists in German only. Enjoy!

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### **NEWS FROM PARTNERS & PROJECTS**



### Project Call: innovative volunteer projects around old age

Elderly people in the city of Zurich should be able to live independently for as long as possible. In many areas, this requires the valuable support of volunteers. Within the framework of the <u>Ageing Strategy 2035</u>, the City of Zurich would like to strengthen this commitment. Therefore, it supports new and innovative projects around volunteer work and neighborhood help with a one-time contribution. **Do you have an idea or already a concrete project?** You can submit it until **July 31, 2022**.

further information



# Discuss how research should be conducted with social media data (only in German)

A research team from the <u>Digital Society Initiative at the</u> <u>University of Zurich</u> would like to explore with citizens what conditions are necessary when research is conducted with freely accessible data - e.g. from social media. Participant will receive a 40 CHF Migros gift card as thank you for their Campaign Overview | Mailchimp

engagement. You can participate on one of the following dates:

Saturday, July 16, 10h-16h on site\*, incl. food & drinks Sunday, July 17, 9h30-14h online via Zoom Saturday, September 10, 10h-16h on site\*, incl. food & drinks Sunday, September 11, 9h30-14h online via Zoom \*Digital Society Initiative, Rämistrasse 69, 8001 Zurich

Registration deadline is July 6 or August 31 respectively.

For further questions feel free to email Felix Gille directly: felix.gille@dsi.uzh.ch

further information and registration



#### Fancy a walk in the cool forest?

The temperatures are climbing higher and higher - time to cool down! How about an evening or weekend excursion to the shady Sihlwald? In cooperation with the *Wildnispark Zürich*, the CrowdWater project offers three easy hiking routes along temporary streams in the Sihlwald south of Zurich. You can discover the beautiful landscape along the banks of the Sihl and at the same time collect valuable data on the flow state of temporary streams. The flyer with all the information is available on the CrowdWater website and at the Sihlwald Visitor Centre. Have fun!

further information



# Work show on hydropower at the Regional Museum in Vitznau

As part of the "Stories that are still missing" project sponsored by the Participatory Science Academy (PWA), information on historic hydroelectric power plants in Greppen, Vitznau and Weggis was sought together with mill researcher Urs Landolf. The results have been incorporated into Landolf's inventory <u>www.muehlenkalender.ch</u>. In addition, the Regional Museum of the Lucerne Rigi Communities is presenting the current state of knowledge in a work show, which can be supplemented by the public with further stories.

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#### Aging thougt differently

How comes that some live long, active lives, far beyond

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64/65 of age? This question is being investigated by more than twenty researchers in the research project "New Age". The core of the research activities are long structured conversations with 25 female and 25 male persons born in 1950 or later, with diverse social status, educational background, profession, and from urban and rural areas of German-speaking Switzerland. The project website features multimedia with some of these life paths. You are all cordially invited to browse through it.





# Having child by sperm donation: film event of the URPP H2R

URPP "Human Reproduction Reloaded" organized at the beginning of June the screenings of the documentary film "Menschenskind!" at Kosmos. In the documentary, filmmaker Marina Belobrovaja documents the partnerless path to giving birth to her child. She also interviews adult "donor children" and shows alternative forms of parenthood, thus taking up central themes of the URPP. After the projection Marina Belobrovaja discussed the movie with the members of the URPP and the associated Citizen Science Advisory Panel (of which she herself is a member).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### Tuesday, 05.07. 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 July 05, 2022, from 15:00-15:30. Welcome! Willkommen! Bienvenue! Benvenuti!

More information (no registration necessary)

Tuesday, 05.07. 18:00 - 19:30

#### Co-Creation Workshop: Indoor Air Quality Monitoring

Together with researchers from ETH Zurich the Citizen Science Center Zurich **is inviting all interested people to join a co-creation workshop**. We will learn what scientists already know - and what they don't - about the air we breathe and share hints on ways to reduce exposure to air pollution. We will also discuss the idea of a Citizen Science project to monitor the quality of air in our homes, explore which data could be collected, and design together how this could work to the benefit of everybody involved.

More information and registration



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