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## General: #Ecsite2015

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# ROSALIA VARGAS PRESIDENT ECSITE



Ecsite and MUSE are delighted to invite you to the 26th Ecsite Annual Conference in the alpine city of Trento, Italy.

We are gathering around 1,000 science communication professionals and 350 brilliant speakers from more than 50 countries, all connected by best practice and shared knowledge. That is what makes this conference the ideal place for professional collaboration and co-creation, building effective strategies that will inspire citizens to recognize the importance and share the excitement of science. For me the Ecsite Annual Conference has always been the focal point, inspiring us to push the boundaries of our field, as well as a special place to make new friends, meet old ones and learn from each other. It is also a showcase for the growing importance of museums and science centres in facilitating debate on themes of critical societal importance and creating an environment that fosters informed, evidence-based decision making and action.

Imagine the potential that this meeting of minds, the largest science communication event in Europe, will have in driving change and improvement in the public presentation of science and technology! As regular attendees know, informality and friendliness are part of the appeal. And this year's venue provides the ideal space for inspiration: the awardwinning MUSE building with its unique atmosphere, surrounded by the gorgeous Dolomite mountains.

Our key topic this year is "Food for curious minds", dealing with the issue of food and energy. We have set ourselves a major challenge: to generate active citizenship that will engage with one of the most urgent questions of our time.

Bring your curiosity, and join our inspiring community of science communication professionals... I can't wait to meet you all.

# CATHERINE FRANCHE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ECSITE



Join the 2015 Ecsite Annual Conference, a powerful concentrate of trends watching and networking, a marketplace of ideas and business opportunities open to all, inside and outside Ecsite member organisations.

I hope to be seeing many new faces in the crowds: Ecsite is a resolutely open network, welcoming provocative thoughts, unexplored angles, transferable skills, critical stances... We strongly believe in cross-fertilization – it is no coincidence that Mikko Myllykoski, the new Chair of the committee that puts together the conference programme, is a fusion cuisine advocate. I'll join him in inviting conference regulars and first-time attendees to take part in "a unique forum to try a bite of countless new dishes".

This year's edition offers three days of keynote speeches and 86 parallel sessions, two days of in-depth pre-conference workshops, a buzzing professional fair, three un-missable evenings of entertainment and countless opportunities for exchange and networking... not to forget two special spaces dedicated to gaming and making, back on popular demand.

Make the most of this must-be yearly professional development event and pick and choose from a truly diverse programme: visitor tracking and synthetic biology, activism and future cities, 21st century natural history museums and self-guided experiences for school groups, corporate partnerships and science centre academies...

Listening closely to feedback received from previous editions, we have boosted the conference's marketing, management and fundraising offer. Two pre-conference workshops and several parallel sessions will be exploring questions such as how to make a small marketing budget go a long way, how to optimize revenue generation or how to develop your workforce using staff exchanges.

Grow your network, widen your horizons, pick up new tools... and keep offering your audiences the best of science engagement. See you in Trento.

REFACE



# CONFERENCE FOCUS

MICHELE LANZINGER DIRECTOR MUSE Museo delle Scienze



"There is no sincerer love than the love of food" G.B. SHAW

Each year, the Ecsite Annual Conference challenges us to tackle topical issues. "Food for curious minds" offers room for countless metaphoric interpretations but also invites to tackle the concrete topic of food and energy, a burning global challenge echoing the theme of Universal EXPO 2015 in Milan.

Taken metaphorically, the food theme relates to cultural and intellectual nurture. For decades, science engagement professionals have played a crucial role in sourcing, preparing and serving this "mental food" to hungry audiences. Increasingly, they invite scientists, policy makers, citizens and business around the table – or even into the kitchen...

Understood more literally, food-related topics provide a powerful angle to raise awareness about global issues. The challenge of providing the world population with healthy, safe and sufficient food touches on scientific, technological but also social, cultural and political questions. Food and nutrition are relevant to each of us – while also raising universal questions. A fertile ground for science communicators.

The idea that human beings need both literal and intellectual food is at the very core of the MUSE mission. The museum forms the cultural heart of a social and urban project. It has become a lively arena for citizens to lead informed discussions about challenges of the future – or a kitchen where science and society meet and cook up surprising dishes.

Welcome to Italy and its tasty food. Welcome to Trento and its beautiful mountain environment. Welcome to MUSE and the 2015 Ecsite Annual Conference – feed your hungry mind!



# MUSE MUSEO DELLE SCIENZE TRENTO FIERE TRADE FAIR

Two closely located buildings will host the meetings and workshops of the Ecsite Annual Conference: MUSE and the Trento Trade Fair premises.

# MUSE

The new science museum opened in July 2013 forms the heart of the new Trento quarter designed by Renzo Piano. MUSE tells fascinating stories about mountain environments, from the beautiful local Dolomites through to the tropical setting of the Tanzanian Eastern Arc. It combines nature, science and technology with current ethical and social issues. Its innovative design intertwines science, arts, society and nature in an evocative building nestled in the Alpine skyline. MUSE has quickly established itself as a lively arena for citizens to lead informed discussions about challenges of the future.

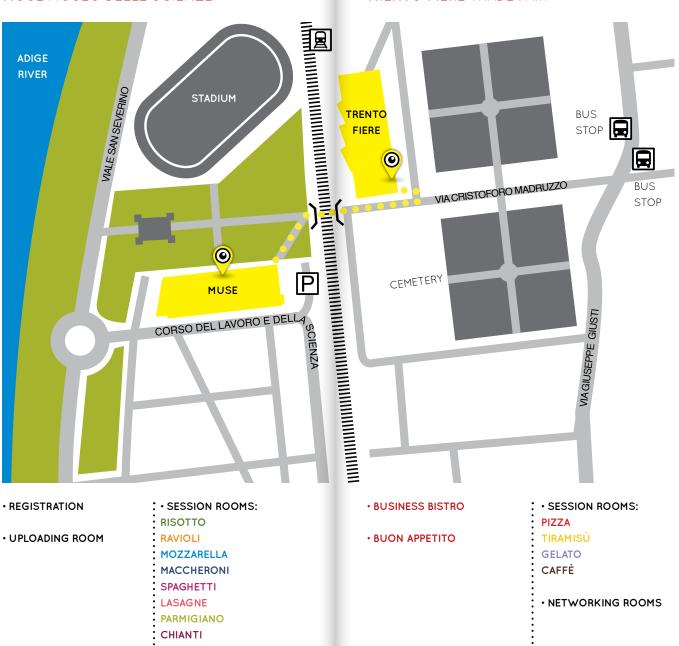
# TRENTO FIERE TRADE FAIR

Located a 2 min walk from MUSE, the Trento Fiere trade fair building is an excellent location for business. Some of the sessions will be taking place there, as well as all coffee breaks and lunches during the conference. The Business Bistro will be hosted in these facilities.

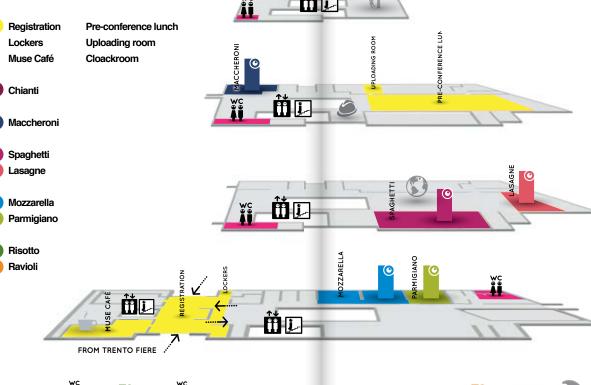
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# MUSE MUSEO DELLE SCIENZE

# TRENTO FIERE TRADE FAIR

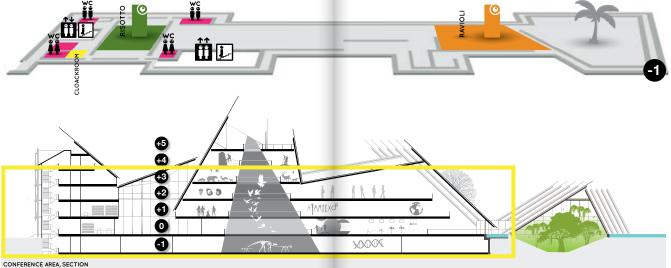


# MUSE, MUSEO DELLE SCIENZE FLOOR PLANS



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# TRENTO FIERE, TRADE FAIR FLOOR PLANS

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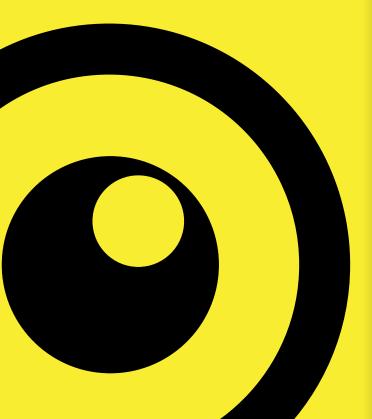
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PROGRAMME	AUDIENCES & LEARNING		In a panel session, the convenor introduces the
RA	51, 52, 56, 67, 73, 74, 75, 77, 90, 91, 92, 93, 98, 104, 105, 106, 109, 112,	SESSION	
b	113, 127, 129, 131, 140, 141, 144, 145, 146, 151, 152, 155, 156, 161, 166,		audience. There is time for discussion with
PRC	172, 174, 178, 179		participants at the end of the session.
	COLLECTIONS	REVERSE	The aim of a reverse session is to give
	69, 80, 88, 154	SESSION	attendees a chance to actively participate in
			discussions with speakers. The speakers and
			one moderator guide the session following a
	EQUITY & INCLUSION		short introduction to the topic.
	81, 87, 130, 143		
		WORKSHOP	This type of session is structured for in-depth
			exploration of one topic. The session is
	EXHIBITS & DESIGN		practical, interactive and actively involves all
	49, 54, 60, 66, 79, 86, 89, 100, 101, 103, 110, 111, 126, 132, 142, 162, 163,		participants. A workshop can be a science
	177		demonstration, a game, a show or a short
			training course.
	GAMELAB		
	58, 71, 82, 95, 107, 118, 135	ROUNDTABLE	This session has an extended number of
		SESSION	speakers (from four to 20) wherein each has a
	MAKER SPACE		short amount of time to present their views. Time is left at the end of the session for
			discussion.
	57, 70, 117, 134, 148, 159, 169		
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	MARKETING & COMMUNICATION	KUCHA	
	50, 64, 99, 114, 116, 158, 164		presentations concise and fast-paced.
		WORLD CAFÉ	Participants are seated around tables and a
	NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS		series of conversational rounds begin. At the
	53, 65, 76, 102, 133, 153, 165, 167		end the whole group gathers to share
			outcomes.
	OPERATIONS & FINANCE	PROJECT	This is a showcase of collaborative projects
	63, 78, 115	POSTER	each described in a poster and presented by
		SHOWCASE	one participant. Each poster describes one
			non-profit collaborative project.
	RESEARCH & EVALUATION	0.000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	55, 68, 94, 128, 147, 157, 168, 175, 176	OPEN STAGE	
			share an inspirational experience or idea with
			the audience.

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# TUESDAY JUNE 9

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# WORKSHOP

TIME 09.00 - 17.30

MUSE

## SPEAKERS Maarten Okkersen.

Head of Communication, Museon, The Hague, Netherlands

#### Stan Boshouwers,

Creative Director, Tinker Imagineers, Utrecht, Netherlands

Lavinia Del Longo, Head of MUSE Development, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Experts from museums and science centres and professionals from commercial companies (MUSE, Techmania Science Center, Northern Light, Archimedes, Bruns and Hüttinger)

MOZZARELLA #MOZ PRE-CONFERENCE

# INNOVATE OR DIE -CREATIVE LAB

The Creative LAB is an intensive preconference workshop for science centre and museum professionals. It will be taking place at MUSE and we'll use the new museum as a starting point for the workshop. Lavinia Del Longo will tell us about her experience of developing MUSE and inspire us to fire up our own initiatives.

Together we'll study the innovation projects everyone is working on. As an introduction to natural creative thinking, everyone will work in small teams on the challenges in his or her own job. We will come to general conclusions about innovation and design management and participants will leave with an open mind and new tools for creative thinking and innovation.

We believe in the power of "design thinking" and we know it can be used in many ways to help us to manage innovation in content development, exhibition design, marketing and management.

We hope that the Creative LAB can be the platform and meeting point for people who work both in commercial and non-profit organisations. PRE-CONFERENCE

# DEVELOP A FUNDRAISING STRATEGY

The main focus of the workshop will be on providing an overview of key issues related to fundraising. We will be tackling some of the fundamental questions when setting up a membership programme, looking at best strategies to keep donors loyal, considering approaches to capture those generous corporate partners and exploring the use of crowdfunding.

Case studies and strategies will be taken not only from the science centre and museum arena but also from the higher education sector or the humanitarian charities area which, for many years, has been at the forefront of fundraising initiatives.

Speakers will include a mix of fundraising professionals working in the museum and science centres sector, individual fundraising experts with years of experience in some of the largest international charities, fundraising consultants and the founder of DeRev, the crowdfunding platform that raised almost 1.5 million euros for the reconstruction of Città della Scienza in Naples. PARMIGIANO #PAR MUSE

WORKSHOP

TIME

09.20 - 17.00

# SPEAKERS

Giovanni Crupi, Head of Development, National Museum of Science and Technology Leonardo da Vinci, Milan, Italy

#### Pedro Albuquerque,

Business Development Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

## Dorian Druelle,

Individual Giving Product Development, SOS Children's Villages, Innsbruck, Austria

## Roberto Esposito,

Founder and CEO, DeRev, Milan, Italy

#### Joanna Kalinowska,

Senior Sponsoring specialist, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

Jeff Snyder, Associate Consultant at Graham-Pelton Consulting and Director of External Relations, Antwerp International School, Belgium δ

**TUESDAY JUNE** 

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WORKSHOP

# SPEAKERS

09.00 - 17.00

Ioannis Miaoulis, President & Director, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

Lydia Beall, Design Challenges Program Manager, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

Sheena Laursen,

Director of International Affairs, Experimentarium, Denmark

Marjolein van Breemen,

Director of Education, NEMO, Netherlands

## David Broström,

Director of Education & Maria Adlerborn, Project Manager, Teknikens Hus, Sweden

## Sara Calcagnini,

Education & CREI, Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia "Leonardo da Vinci", Milan, Italy

#### Varda Gur Ben Shitrit,

Deputy Director of Content, Bloomfield Science Museum Jerusalem, Israel

# MAKE ENGINEERING PART

OF YOUR PROGRAMME

examine the place of engineering in their future exhibitions and programmes. Is it just a passing fad or can it help make science museums more relevant to society and to young people in particular? Should we include engineering in our mission statements? Should we present it as a career? How can we best use the Engineering Design Process to help our visitors get soft skills? Who should the main target audience be? Are there opportunities for new partnerships? Where can we have the strongest impact? Should we build a lab and what are the different models of MakerSpaces / Tinkering zones/ Fab-Labs?

This workshop is meant for those who wish to

Partners from the ENGINEER EU project, leaders of Engineering Is Elementary in the United States, designers of LAB's, science museums, industrial companies and researchers with deep interest in engineering education will share experiences, brainstorm on innovative ways and new models, and discuss the next step – creating a community of practice through a new Ecsite thematic group. Chris Rogers, Professor at the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Co-Director, Center for Engineering Education and Outreach, Tufts University Medford, USA

## Ryan Jenkins,

Tinkering Studio Education Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

## Jean-Michel Molenaar,

Fab Lab Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, The Exploratorium, Grenoble, France

## Peggy Monahan, Exhibit

Projects Creative Director, New York Hall of Science, USA

## Amos Blanton,

Researcher, Research & Learning Group, LEGO Foundation, Billund, Denmark δ

**FUESDAY JUNE** 

**TUESDAY JUNE 9** 

## CHIANTI MUSE

WORKSHOP

TIME 09.30 - 17.30

# SPEAKERS

# Marie Hobson,

Learning Evaluator, Natural History Museum, London, UK

# Anne Kahr Hällman,

Head of Research, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### Aymard de Mengin

Fondragon, Evaluation and Prospective, Universcience, Paris, France

Emily Pringle, Head of Learning Practice and Research, Tate Modern, London, UK

## Emma Pegram,

Research and Evaluation Manager, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Ida Marie Bøe, Content developer and explainer, VilVite, Bergen, Norway

# Ingrid Eikeland, PhD Student in Expand, NMBU, Norway

#CHI : PRE-CONFERENCE

# SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS / RESEARCH AND PRACTICE

Day one of this two-day workshop focusses on developing effective self-guided experiences for school groups. What does the perfect self-guided school experience look like? How can museums provide the structure that teachers seem to want in an often open-ended learning environment? Should museums ban worksheets in favour of other engagement methods entirely? We will explore issues and opportunities

we will explore issues and opportunities involved in catering for school groups on gallery without a human facilitator present. The workshop will draw on the speakers' and delegates' experiences of designing and evaluating activities for schools in order to provide participants with the skills and knowledge necessary to critique their school offer as well as ideas they can try in their own institutions.

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for research and evaluation, the REV Group.

Jane Rayner, Senior Audience Researcher, Science Museum, London, UK

Katia Danieli, Education manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

## Marjelle van Hoorn,

Association Manager, VSC network of science museums and science centers, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Nils Petter Hauan, Head of Development, VilVite, Bergen, Norway

# Patricia Verheyden,

Experience Director, Technopolis ®, The Flemish Science Centre, Mechelen, Belgium

## Tomasz Piątek,

Evaluation and Analysis Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

## Yuri Matteman, Head

of Education, Naturalis, Leiden, Netherlands σ

**TUESDAY JUNE** 

## RISOTTO MUSE

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# WORKSHOP

TIME 09.00 - 17.15

# SPEAKERS

Marc Moutin, Exhibitions, Shows and Development Director, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

Ana Noronha, Executive Director, Pavilion of Knowledge, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Maria Menendez, Head of Corporate Exhibitions and Events, European Space Agency, France

## Aude Lesty,

Museographer / Designer, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

## Jose Antonio Gordillo, Ciudad de las Ciencias y

las Artes, Valencia, Spain

Fernando Doblas, Head of ESA Communication Department, France

## Michael Rast, Head of

ESA Science Strategy, Coordination & Planning office; Earth Observation Directorate, Frascati, Italy "SPACE FOR LIFE" -DEVELOP AND SHARE

# RESOURCES

In 2015, the Ecsite Space Group explores a new topic, "Space for life". This preconference workshop is the opportunity to brainstorm and imagine projects that could be developed and shared within the Ecsite network. All institutions are welcome to contribute. In particular, the workshop will focus on the importance of space for monitoring changes in oceans and atmosphere, improving our knowledge about life on Earth and beyond, and astronauts' life on the International Space Station. After an introduction of these themes by experts, two workshops will allow participants to imagine potential collaborative projects. In 2015, volunteer museums, Ecsite, and the European Space Agency (ESA) will work towards the development of ready-to-use resources on the basis of ideas born during this workshop. The tools will be shared and broadly used to engage audiences with life and space topics. 2015 also marks the end of the current chair of the Space Group. A general assembly will be organized to elect a new Steering Committee.

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for space science, the Space Group.

# Javier Martin Torres,

Chaired Professor in Atmospheric Science and expert in exobiology, Lulea University, Lulea, Sweden

# Rosaria D'Antonio,

Communication and Public Relation Office, Italian Space Agency (ASI), Italy

Nigel Savage, STEM Didactics and Hands-on Projects Coordinator, ESA Education Office

Antonina Khodzhaeva, Project Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

Monica Talevi, ESA Head of Coordination and Outreach Unit, Education Office

Chiara Ganz, Telespazio VP Communication, Italy

Simonetta Cheli, Head of Coordination Office, Earth Observation programme

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**TUESDAY JUNE** 

# RAVIOLI MUSE

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MUS

WORKSHOP TIME 09.00 - 17.30

# SPEAKERS

Matteo Merzagora, Director, TRACES /

Espace des Sciences Pierre-Gilles de Gennes, Paris, France

Sofia Lucas, Coordinator, Professional development centre, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Brad Irwin, Senior Learning Engagement Manager, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Kevin Crowley, Director, Centre for Learning in Outof-School Environments (UPCLOSE), University of Pittsburgh, USA

Costantino Bonomi, Head of Botany Department, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

# CREATE EXPLAINERS PROGRAMMES FOR

THE OUTDOORS

PRE-CONFERENCE

A laboratory and a science centre are excellent environments for science and science communication, respectively. They both reconstruct reality in order to extract essential features and increase the quality of understanding and communication for the public. However, scientists and museum professionals know that the crucial step is the one taking audiences back into the real world, thus ensuring that they link their science centre experience with the social and natural environments in which they live.

Explainers and the staff engaged in face to face interactions with the public play a key role in enabling this step.

This workshop will offer examples, thoughts and training activities on the way explainers can use outdoor spaces (both natural and urban) to engage the public with science. We will present elements of "outdoor pedagogy", investigate the difference between working with museum objects and objects as they are found in the "real world", analyse specific skills and techniques used when working outdoor... and engage in outdoor activities!

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for explainers, THE Group.

MUSE +2 FLOOR

LUNCH

ECSITE BOARD DINNER

20.30

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13.00 - 14.00



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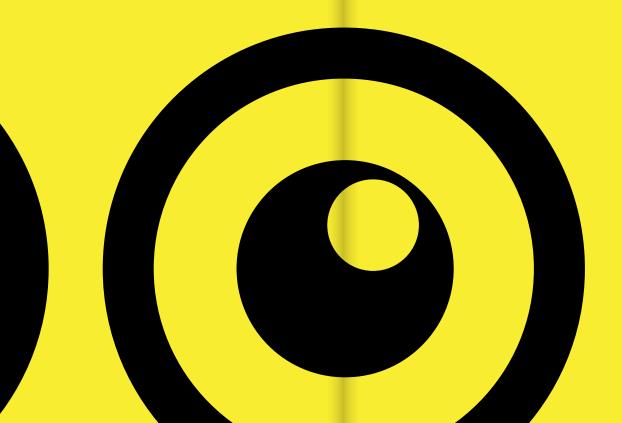
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# WEDNESDAY JUNE 10



TIME 09.00 - 17.30

MUSE

## SPEAKERS

Henrik Sell, Deputy Director, Natural History Museum, Aarhus, Denmark

Louise Fitton, Head of Content Production, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Reinhard Golebiowski,

Head of Exhibitions, Natural History Museum, Vienna, Austria

**Telmo Pievani**, Philosopher of biology and evolutionist, Dept. of Biology, Padua University, Italy

Michele Lanzinger, CEO, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Hanne Strager, Head of Exhibition Department, Natural History Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark

**Uwe Moldrzyck**, Head of Exhibitions, Natural History Museum, Berlin, Germany

**Ilse van Zeeland**, Senior Exhibition Developer, Naturalis, Leiden, Netherlands

# SHAPE THE FUTURE OF NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUMS

Communicating natural sciences to a wide range of people is at the core of our mission. This special workshop will provide a unique opportunity to discuss & investigate with natural history museum (NHM) colleagues the best ways to communicate our topics and issues. You will meet colleagues who are developing ways to engage visitors with the rich knowledge of NHMs. You will hear how NHMs are changing to welcome new audiences, discuss the challenges we face as NHMs and share ideas and innovations.

- Programme of the day:
- · Specimens on display: real or not real?
- · What can NHMs mean for society?
- How to open up the museum, its collections
- and science for audiences
- How to work with partners without losing the museum's vision

 Keynote lecture by prof. Telmo Pievani, philosopher of biology and evolutionist, Dept. of Biology, Padua University (Italy)
 "Adapt to our world - the contribution of NHMs to our evolving society"

• And of course: a special tour behind the scenes of the new MUSE!

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for natural history, the Nature Group.

#### Antonia Caola,

Alessandra Pallaveri.

Mediator. MUSE. Museo

delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Anna Omedes, Director,

Museu de Ciències

Naturals de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

Head of International Collaborations & PR, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

#### Anne Charpentier,

Director, Insectarium of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

#### David Tombolato

Cultural mediator of New technologies and sustainability, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, trento, Italy

## Costantino Bonomi,

Head of Botany Department, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

PARMIGIANO

MUSE

TIME 09.00 - 17.30

## SPEAKERS

Julia Hankin, Head of Marketing and Communications, International Centre for Life, Newcastle, UK

Jo Taylor, Senior Consultant, Morris Hargreaves McIntyre, Manchester, UK

**Ilona Ilowiecka-Tańska**, Head of Evaluation, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

#### Katarzyna Modrak,

Deputy Head of Promotion and Communication, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

Vesna Pajić, Project Manager, Ustanova Hiša eksperimentov, Trubarjeva, Slovenia

Joana Lobo Antunes, Head of Communications Centro Ciência Viva de Sintra, Portugal

Pete Dickinson, Head of Communications, Science Museum, London, UK

# DEVELOP MARKETING STRATEGIES ON A SMALL BUDGET

Most marketing departments do not have the luxury of big budgets. So how do you develop successful strategies which have maximum impact, when budgets and resources are limited? In short - creating a feast out of little!

Join us for the Marketing Banquet, a practical workshop which explores various topics including the importance of understanding visitors, the power of partnerships (for marketing purposes) and maximizing the impact of social media. The sessions will all have a common thread: how we can all be innovative, creative and achieve our objectives on small budgets. The workshop is designed for people working in marketing and communications but will also be of interest to professionals across all disciplines.

After the speaker sessions, there will be a chance for participants to have in depth one-on-one conversations with the contributors. The day will conclude with an interactive workshop to reflect on and build big ideas which can be shared and developed post conference.

# Nicola McIntosh,

Communications Manager, International Centre for Life, Newcastle, UK

Marit Teerling, Press Officer, Technoseum,

Mannheim, Germany

WEDNESDAY JUNE 10

TIME 09.00 - 17.30

MUSE

## SPEAKERS

Jean-Michel Molenaar. Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, Grenoble, France

Lydia Beall, Design **Challenges Program** Manager, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

Sabina Barcucci. Fablab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

#### Ryan Jenkins,

**Tinkering Studio** Education Developer. The Exploratorium. San Francisco, USA

#### Fabrizio Stavola.

Education & CREI. National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

#### Stefano Buratti.

Education & CREI. National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

## Maria Xanthoudaki.

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Head of Education and CREI, National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

# SET UP AND RUN A MAKER SPACE

Creating a space for making and tinkering in your museum can be an exciting, invigorating, and sometimes overwhelming experience. In this hands-on workshop, leaders of the Maker Space of the Ecsite conference will delve into what it takes to start and maintain spaces ranging from fully outfitted FabLabs to table top activities in open areas.

The group will share practical information about the logistics, infrastructure, budgets and timelines and different models for managing tools, materials, and facilitation staff. Additionally, we will consider the deeper rationale for a space dedicated to tinkering and making in science centres and how these programmes can support long-term educational goals.

Sara Calcagnini, Education & CREI, National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

Jon Haavie, Exhibit Designer and Maker Ambassador, Norsk Teknisk Museum and Norway Makers, Oslo, Norway

# SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS / RESEARCH AND PRACTICE

Day two of this two-day workshop focusses on embedding research and practice.

Embedding research into practice is a topical, yet challenging, issue for science museums and centres. In this session, we will discuss the advantages of embedding research into practice and draw on participants' experiences of doing so as well as what challenges they face.

Our keynote speaker, Emily Pringle from Tate (United Kingdom), will talk about the inspiring Transforming Tate programme where evaluation and reflection has been integrated into everyday practice through an action research approach.

We will end the day thinking about what small changes you can make in your museum to integrate research into practice. What is necessary for change?

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for research and evaluation, the REV Group.

Patricia Verheyden,

Experience Director,

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Department, Copernicus

Science Centre, Warsaw,

Yuri Matteman, Head

of Education, Naturalis,

Leiden. Netherlands

# Katia Danieli Collaborator. MUSE. Museo delle Scienze. Trento. Italv

Marjelle van Hoorn, Association Manager. VSC network of science museums and science centers, Amsterdam,

Netherlands

Nils Petter Hauan, Head of Development, VilVite, Bergen, Norway

CHIANTI #CHI MUSE

WORKSHOP

# TIME

09.30 - 16.30

# SPEAKERS

#### Marie Hobson.

- Learning Evaluator,
- Natural History
- Museum, London, UK

# Anne Kahr Hällman.

Head of Research. Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

Aymard de Mengin Fondragon, Evaluation and Prospective. Universcience. Paris. France

Emily Pringle. Head of Learning Practice and Research. Tate Modern. London, UK

Emma Peoram. Research and Evaluation Manager. Natural History Museum, London, UK

Ida Marie Bøe. Content developer and explainer, VilVite, Bergen, Norway

Ingrid Eikeland, PhD Student in Expand, NMBU, Norway

Jane Rayner, Senior Audience Researcher, Science Museum, London, UK

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WEDNESDAY JUNE

WEDNESDAY JUNE 10

## WORKSHOP

TIME 09.00 - 17.00

RISOTTO

MUSE

## SPEAKERS

Marc Moutin. Exhibitions. Shows and Development Director, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

Ana Noronha. Executive Director. Pavilion of Knowledge, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Maria Menendez. Head of Corporate Exhibitions and Events, European Space Agency, France

Aude Lesty,

Museographer / Designer, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse. France

Jose Antonio Gordillo. Ciudad de las Ciencias y las Artes, Valencia, Spain

Fernando Doblas. Head of ESA Communication Department, France

Michael Rast, Head of

ESA Science Strategy, Coordination & Planning office: Earth Observation Directorate, Frascati, Italy

**#RIS PRE-CONFERENCE** 

"SPACE FOR LIFE" -**DEVELOP AND SHARE** RESOURCES

In 2015, the Ecsite Space Group explores a new topic, "Space for life". This preconference workshop is the opportunity to brainstorm and imagine projects that could be developed and shared within the Ecsite network. All institutions are welcome to contribute. In particular, the workshop will focus on the importance of space for monitoring changes in oceans and atmosphere, improving our knowledge about life on Earth and beyond, and astronauts' life on the International Space Station.

After an introduction of these themes by experts, two workshops will allow participants to imagine potential collaborative projects. In 2015, volunteer museums, Ecsite, and the European Space Agency (ESA) will work towards the development of ready-to-use resources on the basis of ideas born during this workshop. The tools will be shared and broadly used to engage audiences with life and space topics. 2015 also marks the end of the current chair of the Space Group. A general assembly will be organized elect a new Steering Committee.

This workshop is organised by the Ecsite thematic group for space science, the Space Group.

Javier Martin Torres. Chaired Professor in Atmospheric Science and expert in exobiology, Lulea University, Lulea, Sweden

Rosaria D'Antonio. Communication and Public Relation Office. Italian Space Agency (ASI), Italy

Nigel Savage, STEM Didactics and Hands-on Projects Coordinator, ESA Education Office

Antonina Khodzhaeva. Project Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

Monica Talevi, ESA Head of Coordination and Outreach Unit. Education Office

Chiara Ganz, Telespazio VP Communication, Italy

Simonetta Cheli, Head of Coordination Office, Earth Observation programme

MUSE +2 FLOOR LUNCH

TIME 13.00 - 14.00

THE CHEF'S CHOICE



#PIZ SALA PIZZA TRENTO FIERE DEPERO **ECSITE ANNUAL** SPEAKERS' **GENERAL MEETING** RECEPTION (AGM) PALAZZO DELLA PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI TRENTO (ON INVITATION) TIME TIME 14.00 - 17.30 18.30 - 20.30 The Ecsite Annual General Meeting (AGM) is More info open to all Ecsite members. on page 219 Only Full members of Ecsite have voting rights. They will elect their representatives to the Ecsite Board.

Among other, they will be invited to discuss and vote on:

- new admission criteria for Full membership
- a new type of membership offered to oneperson companies
- resulting modifications to the Internal Regulations.

They will also vote on:

- activity and financial reports for year 2014
- budget and membership fees for year 2015.

PROGRAMME



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	SPEAKERS	Grand Opening of the			SPEAKERS	
	Marco Andreatta,	Grand Opening of the 2015 Business Bistro	The secret world inside	Space dreams	Auschwitz	
	President, MUSE, Museo		you	Ines Prieto, International	Luis Ferreiro, Director, San	
	delle Scienze		Audrey Chang, Assistant	Projects Manager, Cité	Sebastián, Barcelona,	
			Director of Sales, Global	de l'espace, Paris, France	Spain	
:	Rosalia Vargas,		Business Development,	•		
	President, Ecsite		American Museum of	Mammoth - The Ice Age	•	
	ŕ		Natural History, New	is back!	Claire Forest, Co-Founder,	
	Catherine Franche,		York, USA	Marcus Lidén, CFO,	Columbia River, Paris,	
	Executive Director, Ecsite			Universeum AB,	France	
			Shaun the sheep -	Gothenburg, Sweden		
	Michele Lanzinger,		A healthier you		Sink or sail?	
	Director, MUSE, Museo		Christopher Owen,	Cats and dogs	Mathis Bogens,	
	delle Scienze		Responsible for New	François Vescia,	Communication and	
			Business, Explorado Productions, Cologne,	<ul> <li>International Project</li> <li>manager, Universcience,</li> </ul>	Marketing Manager, AHHAA Science Centre,	
	Dr. Peter Dröll, Acting		Germany	Paris, France	Tartu, Estonia	
	Director, 'Innovation Union		Gerniary	•		
	and European Research		Animals in war	Dwarfs and Giants - A	About animal tales and	
	Area', DG Research and		Hanne T. Rasmussen,	question of perspective		
	Innovation		Project Manager –	Melanie Wunsch,	Sybill Ebers, Director,	
			Exhibitions, Økolariet,	Curator, Neanderthal	Westphalian Horse	
			Denmark	Museum, Mettmann,	Museum, Muenster,	
				Germany	Germany	
			EXTRA	•		
			Olivier Retout, CEO,	Renewable energy	Random bits - A	
			SPL Lascaux Intern.	sources	travelling exhibition on	
			Exhibition, Périgueux,	Katerina Chabova,	probability	
			France	Manager for VIP partners,	Laila Samuel, Exhibition	
				Touring	Manager, Mathematikum,	
				Exhibitions' Manager,	Giessen, Germany	
				Techmania Science		
				Center, Pilsen, Czech		
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TIRAMISÙ **TRENTO FIERE** 

WORKSHOP

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

## CONVENOR

Joanna Kalinowska.

Sponsoring Specialist, **Copernicus Science** Centre, Warsaw, Poland

#### SPEAKERS

Anna Redaelli, Corporate Membership and Fundraising Manager, MUSE. Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

## Patricia Verheyden,

Experience Director, Technopolis ®, The Flemish Science Center, Mechelen, Belgium

Enrico Tombesi. Director. Fondazione POST, Perugia, Italy

# Anna Dziama. Head of the Education Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

**#TIR** • MARKETING & COMMUNICATION

# CORPORATE **PARTNERSHIPS - MAKE** THEM ATTRACTIVE

This session will present a few short examples of cooperation between science centres and corporations. An expert from each science centre involved and the coordinator of the partnership will gather for a joint presentation.

Each pair will first present their common project and the highs and lows of their experience. This will be followed by a round table workshop. Presenters will lead the audience to come up with new ideas for further cooperation with sponsors. These ideas will be presented to a jury of sponsors' representatives. The best idea will get a prize...

# HANDS-ON "SCIENCE CAPITAL" -WORKSHOP

Join our hands-on workshop to sample classroom activities inspired by museums and developed by teachers to help build students' "science capital". "Science capital" is a key concept in science engagement and refers to the attitudes, experiences and life skills that we hold and which help us appreciate the relevance of science.

All the activities that we will share have been trialed by British or Swedish science teachers. But in this workshop we will also explore ways of amending these activities for your particular contexts. The workshop is aimed at educators, but will also be of interest to researchers and policy-makers keen to learn how museums and science centres can support the growth of science capital across their communities.



# WORKSHOP

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

# CONVENOR

Heather King, Research Associate, King's College London, London, UK

# SPEAKERS

Effrosvni Nomikou. Research Associate,

King's College London, London, UK

Beth Hawkins, Learning **Resources Projects** Manager, Science Museum Group, London, UK

# Cecilia Hartikainen. Director of Education. Tom

Tits Experiment, Södertälje, Sweden CAFFÈ TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

## CONVENOR

Jan Alfred Andersson, Manager, Norsk Teknisk Museum, Oslo, Norway

## SPEAKERS

Anne Jorunn Froeyen, Project Manager, Jaermuseet, Naerboe, Norway

#### Massimiano Bucchi,

Professor, University of Trento, Trento, Italy

Phil Loring, Curator of the History of Medicine, Norsk Teknisk Museum, Oslo, Norway

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

#CAF AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# FOOD AS A WAY INTO HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

Traditional "science in the kitchen" initiatives seldom foster a historically nuanced and politically engaged perspective on science. This panel explores three innovative projects using food and cooking to engage audiences with the past, present, and future of science and technology.

Norsk Teknisk Museum offers evening cooking classes as a venue for dialogue about the history of health and medicine; Jærmuseet Vitengarden (Science Farm) engages audiences with the ethics and politics of industrial farming through live demonstrations of animal slaughter; and Professor Massimiano Bucchi's book *II Pollo di Newton* (*Newton's Chicken*, 2013) explores how and why the kitchen gets used as arena where science confronts common sense, from Renaissance anatomy to molecular gastronomy. NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS

# PARTNERSHIPS - MEETING SOCIETAL CHALLENGES AND FINANCIAL NEEDS

Working with a variety of partners is the key for advancing our missions and engaging culturally and socio-economically diverse audiences. Partnerships with schools, industry, foundations and public authorities aim to support integration of resources across contexts, provide cohesive experiences and overcome financial barriers.

Case studies will precede an open discussion. Hear from Ellinogermaniki Agogi, a school-museum partnership in Greece; the American Museum of Natural History's New York City Urban Advantage programme that sees eight institutions working with the school system; the Bloomfield Science Museum's partnership with INTEL promoting excellence in problem-based learning; and the PLACES project which helped develop City Partnerships between science communication institutions and local policy makers. MUSE PANEL

TIME

**RISOTTO** 

11.15 - 12.30

# CONVENOR

#### Sheena Laursen,

- Director of International
- Affairs, Experimentarium,
- Hellerup, Denmark

## SPEAKERS

Aliki Giannakopoulou, Project Manager, Ellinogermaniki Agogi SA, Athens, Greece

# Antonio Gomes da

Costa, Consultant in Science Communication, Lisbon, Portugal

Jim Short, Director, Gottesman Center for Science Teaching and Learning, American Museum of Natural History, New York, USA

Maya Halevy, Director, The Bloomfield Science Museum Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel

#RIS

RAVIOLI MUSE

REVERSE

TIME

#RAV : EXHIBITS & DESIGN

LANGUAGE MATTERS – WHY?

# CONVENOR

11.15 - 12.30

Paula Bäckman, Head of Educational Development, Balthazar Science Center, Skövde, Sweden

#### SPEAKERS

Antonia Caola, Head of International Collaborations & PR, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

# Päivi Garner, Exhibition Secretary, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

#### Dorothée Vatinel,

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Curator, Universcience, Paris, France

John Downey, Senior Educator (English), Balthazar Science Center, Skövde, Sweden

## Yuko Okayama,

Manager, National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan), Tokyo, Japan In a science centre environment, language is of great importance. How much language support should we provide to our visitors? Should we expect our staff to be bilingual? The choice of languages can be a tricky question, as well as their order and equal presentation. What about adding Braille, sign language and pictograms?

Not every scientist can write a good exhibition text and not every translator can provide a science-centre-worthy translation. If we use professional science writers to write our panel texts, why not have communication specialists doing our presentations? Should we use interpreters more? A cross between a reverse session and a roundtable discussion, this session will be valuable for all language enthusiasts who appreciate and understand the value of peer support. RESEARCH & EVALUATION

# A LEARNING RESEARCH AGENDA FOR INFORMAL SCIENCE ORGANISATIONS

Understanding the learning impacts of informal science settings is a topical and challenging issue. Learning in such places has been under-researched and undertheorised, hampering the field's ability to address policy and broader concerns around impact.

Initiatives from within the sector have begun to address these issues. In the UK, King's College London has been running a series of seminars to develop a learning research agenda for natural history museums. Other informal science institutions have started to develop learning research centres in order to establish a culture of research-led practice.

In this session, researchers and practitioners will outline current movements they are undertaking and participants will be invited to discuss how these relate to their own organisations. MOZZARELLA #MOZ MUSE

REVERSE

# TIME 11.15 - 12.30

# CONVENOR

#### Maria Xanthoudaki,

Director of Education and of International Relations, Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia 'Leonardo da Vinci', Milan, Italy

# SPEAKERS

Brad Irwin, Senior Learning Engagement Manager, Natural History Museum, London, UK

## Jennifer DeWitt,

Researcher, King's College London, London, UK

# Kevin Crowley,

Professor, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, USA

# Brian Levine, Manager of

- Youth Programs,
- American Museum of
- Natural History, New York,
- USA

## Lene Hybel Kofod,

- Development and
- evaluation
- Experimentarium,
- Copenhagen, Denmark

MUSE PANEL

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

## CONVENOR

Ana Noronha, Executive Director, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

#### SPEAKERS

Penny Fidler, CEO, The Association for Science and Discovery Centres, Bristol, UK

Marc Moutin, Exhibitions, Shows and Development Director, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

Multimedia Project Manager, Mercator Océan, Ramonville, France

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Fabrice Messal.

# USING SPACE TECHNOLOGIES TO PROTECT FUTURE FOOD SUPPLY

This official Ecsite Space Group session explores how space science and technology can raise public awareness on the responsible use of water and food.

Seen from far away, Earth is a pale blue dot. This is our spaceship, with its limited life support system. Besides generating images that capture the public imagination, satellites now collect real time information on the transformation of forests, deserts, polar ice or oceans, giving us new responsibilities regarding the limited resources at our disposal.

Science centres and museums have a role to play in engaging the public on these important issues. No other institutions are more skilled to transform space images into tools to communicate with different audiences, contributing to a responsible society. MAKER SPACE

# I HAVE A MAKER SPACE! WHAT DO I DO NOW?

Your museum or science centre just installed a tinkering studio, Maker Space or FabLab. Great! But what now? How do you engage the public? What kind of workshops can you host? Should you allow outside organisations to use the space? And if so, what are the constraints?

In this reverse session, we'll discuss what's being done in Maker Spaces in several museums and science centres, and have a conversation about what steps you can take to create a space that meets your goals. SPAGHETTI #SPA MUSE

REVERSE

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

# CONVENORS

Jean-Michel Molenaar,

Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, Grenoble, France

## Sabina Barcucci,

FabLab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

# SPEAKERS

Peggy Monahan, Exhibit Projects Creative Director, New York Hall of Science, New York, USA

## Stefano Buratti,

Education & CREI, National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

## Fabrizio Stavola,

Education & CREI, National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

## Marjolein van Breemen,

Head of Education, NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Jon Haavie, ExhibitDick de Jong, Head ofDesigner and MakerExhibitions & Programs,Ambassador, NorskNEMO, Amsterdam,

Netherlands

Teknisk Museum and

- Norway Makers, Oslo,
- : Norway

LASAGNE

MUSE

TIME 11.15 - 12.30

# CONVENORS

Malvina Artheau, Head of the digital department, Science Animation, Toulouse, France

## Marc Jamous,

Coordinator of Serious Game projects, Universcience, Paris, France

#### Fabrice Jouvenot,

Transmedia Designer & Manager, Universcience, Paris, France

Martin Howe, CEO, TEQ4, Brighton, UK

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Micol Molinari, Learning projects coordinator, Enterprising Science, Science Museum, London, UK

Beth Hawkins, Learning Projects Manager, Science Museum, London, UK GAMELAB

# Gaming is a powerful trigger to engage people and is being more and more widely used in industry, entertainment, advertising, management and... science communication. In the GameLab, we would like to take the time to play, experiment with a variety of science based games; we think that there is no better way of developing our opinions about games than taking the time to try a few.

A time we usually lack in our everyday work. In the GameLab, you can find a selection of games (including video-games, but not only), some of which are "on the market" and some still under construction. Come and try them out any time. The GameLab will also be what you'll make of it: want to discuss a specific topic? Dreaming of designing and prototyping a game of your own? You're more than welcome!



BUON APPETITO TRENTO FIERE

# LUNCH

TIME 12.30

THE CHEF'S CHOICE

PANEL

**PIZZA** 

TIME 13.45 - 15.15

TRENTO FIERE

## CONVENOR

Audrey O'Connell, Principal, Audrey

O'Connell + Associates. Washington, USA

## SPEAKERS

Fragments of extinction - The intelligent sound of ecosystems David Monacchi. Professor of Electroacoustic Music & Ecoacoustics, Conservatorio "G.Rossini", Pesaro, Italy

#### Physics classics

Achim Englert, CEO, Phänomenta, Flensburg, Germanv

#### Imitation

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Patricia Verheyden, Experience Director, Technopolis®, The Flemish Science Centre. Mechelen, Belgium

# IMAGINATE - Imagine, create, innovate

Heather Farnworth, Director, International Sales, Ontario Science Centre, Toronto, Canada

#PI7 FXHIBITS & DESIGN

> WHAT'S NEW IN TRAVELLING **EXHIBITIONS?** (PART 2)

Preview current and upcoming travelling science exhibitions across Europe. This fast-paced session will give you a glimpse of the enormous range of exhibitions on offer, leaving it up to you to make contacts and find out more

#### Science future science

fiction Sarah Woods. Communications Manager, Scitech, Perth, Australia

### Heureka goes crazy

Heidi Rosenström. Exhibition Producer. Heureka, the Finnish Science Centre, Helsinki, Finland

## VIRAL, a contagious

experience Claudia Velhas, Exhibition developer, Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

# Ötzi the iceman - The millennium mystery Petra Rotthoff, M.A., Director of exhibitions. Museumspartner GmbH Innsbruck. Austria Food - Science from

seeds to supper Vittorio Bo, President, Codice.Idee per la Cultura srl, Torino, Italy

Cervorama / 1000s of brains Nathalie Caplet, Scientific resources and international relations manager, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

Nature walk under the stars Kinga Grege, Responsible for travelling exhibitions, National Natural History Museum,

Paris, France A History of Life

Through Fossils Amina Darwish. Sales Manager Touring Exhibitions,

The Natural History Museum, London, UK

Germany

Orchestra of Giants: open air music exhibiton Michael Bradke, Mobile Music Museum, Düsseldorf,

# Above and beyond **THURSDAY JUNE 11** Exhibitions Manager, Agency, London, UK

EXTRA Olivier Retout, CEO, SPL Lascaux Intern. Exhibition. Périqueux. France

Lisa R. Tucci,

The Exhibitions

# PLANNING, BUDGETING AND EVALUATING CUSTOMER SERVICES

share tools and tips about planning, budgeting and evaluating customer services. National laws and employment regulations might differ, but all speakers share the same goal: a happy customer served effectively by adequate staff and in accordance with an annual or daily budget.

TIRAMISÙ TRENTO FIERE

# PANEL

TIME

13.45 - 15.15

# CONVENOR

Tiina Brunetto, Manager, Customer Services Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

# SPEAKERS

Pilvi Kolk, Member of the Management Board, AHHAA Science Centre Foundation. Tartu. Estonia

# Alberta Giovannini.

Head of Human Resources and Public Services, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy **THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Kamil Rogulski, Deputy Head of Operations Departement, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

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Professionals from four different countries will

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GELATO TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME 13.45 - 15.15

#### CONVENOR

Wiktor Gajewski,

Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

## SPEAKERS

Vesna Pajić, Project Manager, Ustanova Hiša eksperimentov, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Chiara Veronesi, Head of Press Office at MUSE Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Anna Charko, Specialist at Communication and Promotion Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

#GEL MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

# SHOULD WE PAY JOURNALISTS?

Paying journalists in exchange of media coverage is not ethical. Isn't it, really? Media have changed and are changing and journalists are not what they were yesterday (see bloggers, vloggers, FB-publishers, civil journalists...). Your everyday choices as a science communicator are no longer black and white.

Join in the workshop and discussion. Dare to ask provocative questions about cooperation with contemporary media and how money can enhance (or spoil?) it.

We aim to end the session with a list of good practices and fresh ideas for the year to come.

# INVOLVING STAKEHOLDERS IN EXHIBITION MAKING

The session explores the importance of a strong involvement of stakeholders (including the so called "public") in all phases of an exhibition's life.

Three presentations set the scene. Antonio Gomes da Costa will recall how the PLACES project used exhibitions to build collaborations at a local level. Matteo Merzagora will propose an ideal 30-30-30 model for exhibition development: 30% of the resources for 'soil' preparation, 30% for traditional exhibition development, and 30% for animation of the exhibition by local stakeholders. Vida Konikovic will introduce the project QSEC2, funded by the lle-de-France government, in which exhibitions co-conceived and co-produced with groups of citizens will tour the region.



# REVERSE

TIME

13.45 - 15.15

# CONVENOR

Paola Rodari, European Projects Manager and Exhibitions Developer, Sissa Medialab, Trieste, Italy

# SPEAKERS

Matteo Merzagora, Director, TRACES / Espace des Sciences Pierre-Gilles de Gennes, Paris, France

Vida Konikovic, Director, Exploradôme, Vitry-sur-Seine, France

# Antonio Gomes da

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

**Costa**, Consultant in Science Communication, Lisbon, Portugal RISOTTO MUSE

REVERSE

13.45 - 15.15

CONVENOR

Łódź, Poland

SPEAKERS

Yumi Miyahara,

Manager, National

Museum of Emeraina

Science and Innovation

(Miraikan), Koto-ku, Japan

Owain Davies, Creative

Director, Techniquest,

Cardiff. UK

Michał Buława. Main

Instytucja Kultury "EC1

Łódź – Miasto Kultury",

Exhibition Specialist.

TIME

#RIS : EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# FOSTERING (VERY) EARLY LEARNING

cake? Learning begins with the first sounds reaching a child's ears even before birth, the first time they open their eyes, the first contact of their senses with the surrounding world.

The first years are the prodigy period in a child's development. How to make the best of it when hosting a child in a science centre? We will look for possible approaches in terms of design, technology, ergonomics, didactics and - last but not least: pure joy of discovery.

Feeding children's curiosity, showing them science as a playful experience needs close cooperation of designers, staff and parents. At the same time exhibitions should be universally accessible. Join us to find possible answers!

Curiosity is at its best when our brain is faced with a challenging task, e.g. solving a nontrivial problem or puzzle or creating something new. Challenges engage creativity, critical thinking, problem solving, and create a fun learning environment.

AUDIENCES & LEARNING

**ACTIVITIES TO PICK** 

YOUR BRAIN - GRAND

BAZAAR

A series of activities will be presented at distinct tables, demonstrating how to cultivate the "organic food" that will stimulate curiosity: challenging activities that engage learners and tease the brain. The session also encourages creative exploration with specific engagement techniques.

Participants will be served hands-on openended learning, guided only by a few instructions that demonstrate best practices in learning science. At the conclusion of the session, attendees will gauge their "virtual crops".

Ömer Avvıldız.

Science Communicator

Eskişehir Science and

Experiment Center of

Eskişehir Metropolitan

David Price, Science

Communicator, science

made simple, Bolton,

UK

Municipality, Turkey

lan Russell. Director. Ian Russell Interactives, High Peak, UK

Nur Uluhan, Science Communicator, Eskişehir Science and Experiment Center of Eskisehir Metropolitan

Municipality, Turkey

WORKSHOP

TIME

13.45 - 15.15

## CONVENOR

Ed Sobev. Outreach Instructor, Teknikens Hus, Redmond, US

## SPEAKERS

Jamila Al Khatib. Coordinator of Mediation Activities. CNAM -Conservatoire National des Arts & Métiers, Paris. France

Anna Gunnarsson. Teacher/Developer, NAVET, Borås, Sweden

John Downey. Senior Educator (English), **Balthazar Science** Center. Skövde. Sweden

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Martin Kulhawczuk. Head of Education. Trondheim Science Centre, Trondheim, Norway

Elin Roberts. Head of Public Engagement, International Centre for Life, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

Melissa Finali, Head of Explainers, Gruppo PLEIADI, Padova, Italy

# Jelena Blank-Muhr.

Head of Unit Interactive Exhibits, Triad, Berlin, Germanv

## Giorgia Bellentani.

Coordinator "Scuola delle idee" (Unit for 0-13 years old), Fondazione Golinelli, Bologna, Italy

Samuela Caliari. Head of Public Programs, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

How early can a child eat a piece of scientific

MUSE

PANEL

TIME 13.45 - 15.15

# CONVENOR

## Maria Xanthoudaki,

Director of Education and of International Relations, Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia 'Leonardo da Vinci', Milan, Italy

## SPEAKERS

Jamie Bell, Project Director, Center for Advancement of Informal Science Education, Washington, D.C., US

Pedro Casaleiro, Head of Exhibitions and Collections, Museu da Ciência da Universidade de Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal

## Sheena Laursen,

Director of International Affairs, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

MOZZARELLA #MOZ RESEARCH & EVALUATION

# SHARING EVALUATION AND REFLECTIVE MUSEUM PRACTICE

By collecting and analysing data about the impacts on the learning, attitudes, perceptions and behaviour of participants in informal learning environments and experiences, we discover "what works" for whom and under what conditions.

In addition to helping us improve our design and implementation strategies for exhibits, programmes and projects, how can we plan and document reflective practices so that our findings contribute evidence and build knowledge for our growing professional field? Conducting systematic, independent evaluation is one way to guarantee that there will be written reports that project leaders and the wider field can draw on and learn from.

In this session presenters will share a range of approaches to creating local knowledge, and some ideas about sharing it globally.

## COLLECTIONS

# REAL/VIRTUAL/STAGED -PROS AND CONS

Science centres and museums aim at tickling the curiosity of visitors, provoking questions and scientific thinking. A unique strength is that we can offer the public real objects, real experiences and real examples.

This can be challenging. Some topics seem too difficult, big, tiny, or distant in time or space, like biotechnology or space travel. We also worry that the reality of scientific work, or the rare accessible examples thereof, may not create an engaging experience, so we sometimes rely on theatrical approaches to stimulate interest. At the same time, more and more museums are going virtual and offer online visits. What's gained and what's lost? In this session we discuss what we can learn from several case studies. Bring your own examples, and you will leave with a firmer grip on reality.

MACCHERONI #MAC MUSE

PANEL

TIME

13.45 - 15.15

# CONVENOR

Yuri Matteman, Head of Education, Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden, Netherlands

# SPEAKERS

Patrizia Famà, Scientific Communicator, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

# Lauren Nemroff,

Program Manager, Google Cultural Institute, London, UK

Alison Boyle, Deputy Keeper, Science and Medicine, Science Museum Group, London, UK

MUSE WORKSHOP

SPAGHETTI

TIME 13.45 - 15.15

### CONVENORS

### Jean-Michel Molenaar.

Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate. Grenoble. France

### Sabina Barcucci.

FabLab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze. Trento, Italy

Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering Studio Education Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

Lydia Beall, Design **Challenges Program** Manager, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Jon Haavie. Exhibit Designer and Maker Ambassador, Norsk Teknisk Museum and Norway Makers, Oslo, Norway

**OPEN MAKE -**

making and tinkering!

expand possibilities.

ways:

projects.

try one out together.

TOOLS FOR TINKERING

Here's your chance to spend some time

technologies, share activities, and provide a

venue for informal conversations. Our special quests will give a sense of how Maker

Spaces can involve the larger community and

In this session we'll explore tools in several

Laser Cutter 101 - We'll explain the pros

and cons of different laser cutters, talk about

how to choose the right machine for your

Intro to Soldering - We'll share a few

introductory projects for soldering irons and

littleBits Workshop - littleBits can help

people take their ideas from concepts to

prototypes easily and quickly.

space, and learn about a couple basic

In this session, we'll play with new

GAMELAB

### GAMELAB

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LASAGNE MUSE

### WORKSHOP

TIME

13.45 - 15.15

### CONVENORS

Malvina Artheau. Head

- of the digital department,
- Science Animation,
- Toulouse. France

### Marc Jamous.

Coordinator of Serious Game projects, Universcience, Paris, France

### Fabrice Jouvenot.

Transmedia Designer & Manager, Universcience, Paris, France

Martin Howe, CEO. TEQ4, Brighton, UK

Micol Molinari, Learning projects coordinator. Enterprising Science, Science Museum. London, UK

Beth Hawkins, Learning Projects Manager, Science Museum, London, UK

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BB TRENTO FIERE GROUND FLOOR

COFFEE #BB BREAK

TIME 15.15

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 



AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# SCIENCE POPULARISATION EVENTS - A DIVERSITY OF FORMATS

Join a special "buffet" for a science popularisation fest. Formats for science popularisation programmes are exploding today all around the word: science festivals, picnic, days, weeks, happenings, etc.

Promoted by science centres, science events organisations or national agencies, all of them are well-embedded in the local context with the involvement of cities, governments and universities. Formats are very innovative, mixing art performances, talks, shows and use social networks and advertising tools to massively engage people.

What's the secret of a successful recipe? What is the impact of science popularisation events? The session will discuss the ingredients needed for a successful event by comparing approaches and formats from a panel of speakers with different origins and experiences. PIZZA #PIZ TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME

16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Mikko Myllykoski,

- Experience Director,
- Heureka The Finnish

Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

### SPEAKERS

Carlos Catalão Alves, Head of Communication, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Vincenzo Lipardi, CEO, Fondazione IDIS - Città della Scienza, Naples, Italy

Annette Klinkert, CEO, city2science - Science Communication and Strategy Consulting, Bielefeld, Germany

Joachim Lerch, President Science & Technologie e.V., Rust, Germany

### TIRAMISÙ TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Weronika Śliwa, Head of the Planetarium Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

### SPEAKERS

Thomas Kraupe, Director, Planetarium, Hamburg, Germany

Maciej Mucha, Head of the Production Studio (Heavens of Copernicus), Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

Marc Moutin, Exhibitions, Shows and Development Director, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Anna Öst, Project Manager, Norrköping Visualization Center, Norrköping, Sweden

# WHAT ROLE FOR PLANETARIUMS IN SCIENCE CENTRES?

Sometimes in a science centre or nearby there is one huge exhibit: a planetarium, hosting at least a few dozen visitors simultaneously. How to treat it? Is it a separate place with distinct aims from the rest of the science centre or does it complement the offer?

During the session we will discuss different approaches to placing the dome within the science centre. Do we want it to be a place to rest after an exhausting tour of the exhibition or a space for active adventure? In the last case sometimes a live guide is a key factor, and other times unusual equipment can play that role.

# SCIENCE COMMUNICATION AT THE DINNER TABLE

The dinner table is an excellent venue for communication, but science is seldom the topic of choice. Yet a full table offers many objects and utensils, not to mention food, which can be used to present a variety of scientific topics.

In this interactive session, four tables will be laid out by the speakers to communicate on various aspects of physics, nanotechnologies or the genetics of taste. They will then give hands-on demonstrations of how to use the dinner table to present their subject, and how this can initiate discussions. Diners will move from table to table, thus visiting all four in the course of the session.

The session will end with an open discussion on simple, informal science communication, including a brainstorming session on where and how it can be implemented.



# WORKSHOP

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

- John Downey, Senior
- Educator (English),
- Balthazar Science Center,
- Skövde, Sweden

### SPEAKERS

Paul Hix, Project Manager, Deutsches Museum, Munich, Germany

Elin Roberts, Head of Public Engagement, International Centre for Life, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

Ann-Marie Pendrill.

# THURSDAY JUNE 11

Director, National resource centre for physics education, Lund, Sweden

Patrizia Famà, Scientífic Communicator, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

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CAFFÈ TRENTO FIERE

### ROUNDTABLE

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

**Colin Johnson**, Honorary Member of Ecsite, Cardiff, Wales, UK

### SPEAKERS

**Bistra Kirova**, Executive Director, MUZEIKO -America for Bulgaria Children's Museum, Sofia, Bulgaria

Elton Micallef, Executive S&T Officer, Malta Council for Science and Technology (MCST), Kalkara, Malta

Lukas Richter, Director, VIDA! Science Centre / Moravian Science Centre Brno, Brno, Czech Republic

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

### Ali Çetinkaya, Managing Director, Konya Science Center, Konya, Turkey

### Victor Manuel Simões

Gil, Director, Exploratório - Centro Ciência Viva de Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal

#CAF : NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS

# THE HIGHS AND LOWS OF OPENING A NEW SCIENCE CENTRE

Are you planning to set up a new science centre? If so, this is the session for you. You will meet people who are now in the throes of opening a new centre. Come and learn from their challenges and successes. Ask about exhibit procurement, approaching sponsors, and how you might go about planning and managing your new centre. Come and share your experience, and ask the questions that others are afraid to ask!

This will be a round-table session. After a very short scene-setting presentation from each speaker you will be invited to choose a table where you can meet a speaker and put your questions. In the time available you should be able to take part in a question and answer exchange with at least three speakers.

# DEALING WITH DIFFICULT SCIENCE

Science isn't always appetizing. The nature and impacts of scientific research can sometimes be hard to swallow. This session explores the approaches taken by museums across Europe to engage visitors with challenging science topics. It includes a diverse range of examples from exhibitions, art and events programmes that have supported audience understanding of science that is difficult, controversial, misunderstood, and not motivating to engage with.

Two speakers directly address the global obesity crisis and another focuses on feeding the world. Whilst the topics in question might be vastly different, many of the tools, techniques and tricks for dealing with difficult science can be applied across institutions. RISOTTO

MUSE

PANEL

TIME

16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

### Kayte McSweeney,

- Audience Advocate and
- Researcher, Science
- Museum Group, London,

UK

### SPEAKERS

Jessica Bradford, Content Manager, Science Museum, London, UK

Ling Lee, Content Developer, Science Museum Group, London, UK

## Lucia Martinelli,

Researcher, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Julia Ellrich, Interface Designer, Triad, Berlin, Germany

Louise Windfeldt, PhD Fellow, Department of Science Education, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

#RIS

RAVIOLI MUSE

PANEL

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Simona Cerrato, Science Communicator, Sissa Medialab, Trieste, Italy

### SPEAKERS

Anthony Richards,

Learning and Operations Consultant and Advisor, KCA, London, UK

Maissa Azab, Head, Educational and Promotional Publications - NAMES Secretary, Alexandria, Egypt

Erik Jacquemyn, Chief Executive Officer, Technopolis ®, The Flemish Science Center, Mechelen, Belgium

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Paola Rodari, European Projects Manager and Exhibitions Developer, Sissa Medialab, Trieste, Italy

#RAV • OPERATIONS & FINANCE

# INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSES FOR SCIENCE CENTRE PROFESSIONALS

All around the world science museums and science centres are experiencing a strong growth. At the same time more and more research institutes develop exhibitions as a major tool to communicate current research, and visitor centres are created everywhere to help citizens engage with natural and historical heritage.

Despite that, in the majority of countries there are neither academic nor informal training courses to empower all actors required for such complex, specialized enterprises. In the majority of cases architects, 3D designers, multimedia developers, content developers, etc. learn their jobs on the ground. The session presents case studies of a few international training courses designed to address this lack of training, and discusses recruitment, training schemes and outcomes. EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# USING ART AND DESIGN TO CONVEY COMPLEX CONTENT

In this session we explore the intersection of science communication, graphic design and artistry in exhibitions. We show examples of how complex scientific data and principles can be expressed concisely and effectively through various aspects of design.

Exhibitions should make exhibit content accessible at multiple intellectual levels and present it through more than one sensory channel. Artist Caroline Hobkinson will show you how to design spaces and experiences for all senses, using science studies in neuroscience as base.

We will also share experiences of using tools to evaluate design and text-based communication in the exhibition. We will look into new exhibition concepts to reinvent the zoological museum, by introducing theatrical means and use of storytelling.

MOZZARELLA #MOZ

PANEL

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Victoria Hurtig, Science Educator, Universeum AB, Gothenburg, Sweden

### SPEAKERS

Audrey Chang, American Museum of Natural History, New York, US

Hannah Sundqvist,

Editor & Web Manager, Universeum AB, Gothenburg, Sweden

Thomas B. Berg, Senior Scientist, Curator, Naturama, Svendborg, Denmark

Caroline Hobkinson, Artist creating multi sensory experiences, London, UK



MACC MUSE

PANEL

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Anna Omedes, Director, Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

### SPEAKERS

Eric Dorfman, Director, Whanganui Regional Museum, Whanganui, New Zealand

Noel Jackson, Head of Education, International Centre for Life, Newcastle, UK

**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Managing Director, studio klv, Berlin, Germany

Martin Cepek, Head of Central Museum Development, Senckenberg Gesellschaft für Naturforschung, Frankfurt, Germany

### Alexina Thorén

Williams, Educator/ Project Manager, Universeum AB, Gothenburg, Sweden

MACCHERONI #MAC COLLECTIONS

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUMS AND SCIENCE CENTRES - COMMON GROUNDS

Natural history museums and science centres both address the wonders of the natural world, the science behind it and the global challenges of the future. But communication approaches can be very different. Which role could interactive experiences play in addressing these issues? Within this session we aim to explore the common ground of natural history museums

and science centres. To trigger imagination on this challenge, speakers from science centres and national history museums will give short impulse

presentations on international case studies. Panellists will discuss these different approaches, map opportunities and challenges and generate ideas on how we could move forward in using interactive experiences to communicate about nature.

# IS MAKING FOR EVERYONE?

Questions have been raised by Leah Buechley and others about who can participate in the "Maker movement". We ask ourselves: in our spaces, do robotics and 3D printers take precedence over dance and music? Do girls and women have the same encouragement to be makers as men and boys? Does making represent people-ofcolour and relate to families living in lowincome communities?

In this reverse session, we will consider together how making and tinkering can be a more inclusive practice in our science centres and educational programmes. SPAGHETTI #SPA MUSE

REVERSE

TIME

16.00 - 17.30

### CONVENOR

Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering

- : Studio Education
- Developer, The

Exploratorium, San

Francisco, USA

### SPEAKERS

Matteo Merzagora,

TRACES / Espace des Sciences Pierre-Gilles de Gennes. Paris. France

Lydia Beall, Design

Challenges Program Manager, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

Elisabeth Rebekka Killie-

Kanebog, Pedagogue, Nordnorsk Vitensenter, Tromsø, Norway

Mona Holmø, Educator, Nordnorsk Vitensenter, Tromsø, Norway

Hanne Madsen, Science Communicator, Jaermuseet, Sandnes, Norway LASAGNE #LA

#LAS GAMELAB

WORKSHOP

TIME 16.00 - 17.30

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### CONVENOR

Malvina Artheau, Head of the digital department, Science Animation, Toulouse, France

### Marc Jamous,

Coordinator of Serious Game projects, Universcience, Paris, France

### Fabrice Jouvenot,

Transmedia Designer & Manager, Universcience, Paris, France

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**THURSDAY JUNE 11** 

Micol Molinari, Learning projects coordinator, Enterprising Science, Science Museum, London, UK

Beth Hawkins, Learning Projects Manager, Science Museum, London, UK GAMELAB

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### CANTINE ROTARI MEZZOCORONA

## GALA DINNER

### TIME

Shuttle buses to the Gala dinner venue leave at 19.30 from MUSE front door.

Buses to return to Trento city centre will depart from Gala dinner venue starting at 23.30.

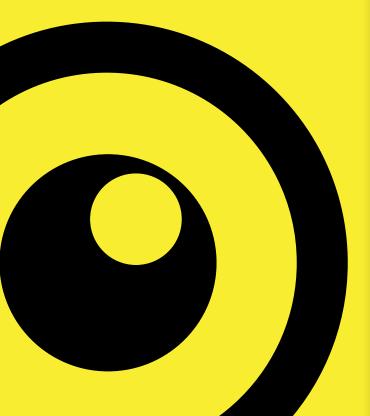
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PIZZA TRENTO FIERE

**INTERACTIVE -**PECHA KUCHA

#PIZ:

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENORS

Johannes-Geert Hagmann, Curator, Physics, Deutsches Museum. Munich. Germany

Alison Boyle, Deputy Keeper, Science and Medicine. Science Museum Group. London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Ann Follin, Museum Director. Tekniska Museet - Teknorama, Stockholm. Sweden

### Ulrich Kernbach.

Head of Exhibitions and Collections. Deutsches Museum. Munich, Germany

### Michele Lanzinger,

**FRIDAY JUNE 12** 

Director. MUSE. Museo delle Scienze. Trento, Italy

Head of

Communication.

Claire Pillsbury, Program Director, Osher Fellowships,

Exploratorium, San

Francisco, US

Netherlands

Barry Lord, Cultural Planner, Toronto, Canada

### Walter Staveloz,

Director International Relations, ASTC, Washington, US 88

EXHIBITS & DESIGN

## FUTURE VISIONS FOR SCIENCE CENTRES

Join leaders from a range of disciplines as they offer a rapid-fire series of visions for the future of science museums and science centres.

Different prospects for museums and science centres have included neutral "third places" for communities to interact, cultural spaces as confidently intellectual as art galleries, or active agents in political agendas. Or is there an entirely new kind of movement waiting to happen, re-invigorating and challenging established institutions? We will round up these 'future imaginaries' with commentary from a leading expert, followed by a lively discussion with the audience.

Social inclusion - A fashionable trend? The fundamental question is: why do we want to be inclusive? Are we missing someone or do we think "they" are missing out on the wonderful experiences we have to offer? Do we programme inclusive activities to get special sponsoring or raise visitor numbers? Do we consider inclusion as a trend that we must follow? Or are we truly curious about our non-visitors? What learning are we missing out on personally and as an institution by being non-inclusive?

Let's watch out if our inclusion efforts are born out of deficit-thinking! This workshop encourages participants to challenge their own practices of inclusion. Following short, provocative input, participants will use liberating structures to discuss attitudes and practices in small groups.

# SOCIAL INCLUSION - A **FASHIONABLE TREND?**

WORKSHOP TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Barbara Streicher.

- Executive Manager,
- Science Center Netzwerk.
- Vienna. Austria

### SPEAKERS

Matteo Merzagora,

Director, TRACES / Espace des Sciences Pierre-Gilles de Gennes. Paris. France

Simona Cerrato. Science Communicator, Sissa Medialab, Trieste, Italy

Anna Gunnarsson. Teacher/Developer. NAVET, Borås, Sweden

Maarten Okkersen. Ken Arnold. Head of Museon, The Hague, London, UK

Public Programmes, Wellcome Collection.



#GEL COLLECTIONS

### WORKSHOP

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

### Kayte McSweeney,

Audience Advocate and Researcher, Science Museum Group , London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Jessica Bradford, Content Manager, Science Museum, London, UK

### Sonja Neumann,

Scientific Employee, Deutsches Museum, Munich, Germany

Marie Hobson, Learning Researcher, Natural History Museum, London, UK

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### : MAKING OBJECTS SPEAK

Objects are at the heart of science museums, but they very rarely speak for themselves. They may be historically unique or significant to those that understand them, but to others they can seem banal and disconnected from any meaning. These objects may not look particularly appetising, but visitors are hungry for knowledge.

What tools and techniques can we use to help visitors delve into the stories, science and history underpinning these objects? In this interactive session, speakers will describe the challenges of interpreting a diverse range of objects from natural history specimens, to musical instruments and early personal computers. The session will then guide participants through a series of steps for recognising and overcoming the challenges of their own collections. EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# MAKING YOUR OWN TOURING EXHIBITION

It takes more than a great idea or unique collection to produce a traveling exhibition other science centres will want to host. This session will uncover what it takes to get started in touring exhibitions. We will cover:

 The differences between producing an exhibition for your own organisation and one intended to tour.

• The cost of travelling exhibitions and how they can get funded.

How to know if your touring exhibition idea
will work.

• The main barriers in terms of cost, time, ideas and expertise (in-house or external).

 The steps involved, starting from the original idea, exhibition concept, design, build, educational material, logistics, marketing, finding venues to host the exhibition, and everything in between.

· How to measure results.



### PANEL

TIME

09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

### Heather Farnworth,

- Director, International
- Sales, Ontario Science

Centre, Toronto, Canada

### SPEAKERS

Didier Laval, Manager of the Mediation Service and Living Lab, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

### Bruno Araújo-Gomes,

Exhibitions Coordinator, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Lisa R. Tucci, Exhibitions Manager, The Exhibitions Agency, London, UK

Gail Symington, Head of Exhibition and Gallery Projects, National Maritime Museum & Royal Observatory Greenwich, London, UK

### RISOTTO MUSE

REVERSE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Heather King, Research Associate, King's College London, London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Emma Pegram, Head of Learning Evaluation and Research, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Justin Dillon, Professor of Science and Environmental Education, University of Bristol, UK

**Ilse van Zeeland**, Senior Content Developer Exhibitions, Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden, Netherlands

Henrik Sell, Deputy Director, Natural History Museum, Aarhus, Denmark

Karen Knutson, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, US

#RIS AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# TOWARDS THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Natural history museums are more than simple storehouses – they share a mission of promoting appreciation, understanding and conservation of the natural world. But are we getting this across to our visitors?

In this reverse session, round tables will be hosted by education and research experts from the natural history world. These speakers will help frame rich discussions exploring effective practice. Topics will include the affordability of digital media for extending engagement, the role of scientists and educators in brokering new passions for natural history, and the role of institutions in supporting and sustaining the development of interest over time and across settings. We will also discuss ways in which we are able to "see" the impact of our work. AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# STRATEGIES TO ENGAGE TEENAGERS

In informal science learning we often have to face the "no-show" of teenagers. It is difficult to get in touch with them, and they often seem to shy away from the term "science". Once they do visit places of informal science learning, they often have a good time, but how can we get them there in the first place? Or should we rather meet them at the places where they already hang around?

Teenagers are not a homogeneous group. The reasons why they do not show up vary in different contexts, different social groups or different "traditions" of science learning. How can we address these different aspects when conceptualising attractive informal science learning activities for teenagers? In this session we will share experiences and discuss different examples of youth involvement together with the audience. RAVIOLI

#RAV

MUSE

REVERSE

TIME

09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Alex Burch, Head of Visitor Experience, Learning and Outreach, The Natural History Museum, London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Elisa Maria Casati, Public Engagement, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Heidrun Schulze, Project Manager, Science Center Netzwerk, Vienna, Austria

Talila Yehiel, Museum Expert,@thewandering. net, Tel Aviv, Israel

FRIDAY JUNE 12

### REVERSE

MUSE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

lan Simmons, Science Communication Director, International Centre for Life, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK

### SPEAKERS

Thierry Brassac, Science & Culture Department, Montpellier Science University / Science&Culture Department, Montpellier, France

Elin Roberts, Head of Public Engagement, International Centre for Life, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

John Downey, Senior Educator (English), Balthazar Science Center, Skövde, Sweden where does it work when communicating science? Panellists will share their thoughts on successful uses of humour in science communication and on not so successful ones and invite thoughts from the audience. If you are considering to host a science comedy night, having a cartoon character narrate your next exhibition, or think you might qualify for an IgNobel Prize, this session is for you!

Humour eases all sorts of communication -

HUMOUR IN SCIENCE

COMMUNICATION

AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# CHILDREN AS EXPERTS

Adults make visits possible but children often take the lead once inside the science centre or museum, directing the visit and acting as experts for the rest of their group. This session explores the role of children as experts in museums and science centres.

To guide our discussions, Amy will begin with an overview of learning theory and research around children as museum/science experts. Rooske will then describe how parents might facilitate a visit whilst still enabling children to be the leaders. Claudia will discuss a project where children are supported to run activities as explainers. Sarah will present longitudinal work on the lasting impacts of these types of programmes. Each presentation examines what child as "expert" means in each context and the relevant practical implications. MACCHERONI #MAC MUSE

PANEL

TIME

09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Amy Seakins, Research Associate, King's College London, London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Rooske Franse, Senior Project Manager Education, Science center NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Claudia Velhas,

Exhibition Developer, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Sarah Funk, Project Manager, Science Center Netzwerk, Vienna, Austria

### REVERSE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Lydia Beall, Design Challenges Program Manager, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

### SPEAKERS

Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering Studio Education Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

Peggy Monahan, Exhibit Projects Creative Director, New York Hall of Science, New York, USA

### Maria Xanthoudaki,

Head of Education and CREI, National Museum of Science and Technology, Milan, Italy

#SPA : RESEARCH AND EVALUATION

**RESEARCH SHARE-OUT** 

MAKING AND TINKERING

### Spaces for tinkering, making and design in museum settings have been the subject of much discussion, but too little focus has been placed on research/evaluation efforts in these spaces.

This session will present the findings from evaluation studies on design/maker spaces, and include a follow-up conversation to discuss how research and practice can impact each other. Gaming is a powerful trigger to engage people and is being more and more widely used in industry, entertainment, advertising, management and... science communication. In the GameLab, we would like to take the time to play, experiment with a variety of science based games; we think that there is no better way of developing our opinions about games than taking the time to try a few. A time we usually lack in our everyday work. In the GameLab, you can find a selection of games (including video-games, but not only), some of which are "on the market" and some still under construction. Come and try them out any time. The GameLab will also be what you'll make of it: want to discuss a specific topic? Dreaming of designing and prototyping a dame of your own? You're more than welcome!

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# **TIME** 09.00 - 10.15

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### PIZZA #PIZ TRENTO FIERE

# KEYNOTE SPEECH



TIME 10.30 - 11.30

### SPEAKER

Andrea IIIy, Chairman/ CEO of illy S.p.A, Trieste, Italy Andrea IIIy is the Chairman and CEO of illycaffè S.p.A., a family coffee business founded more than 80 years ago.

In 2012, he was appointed *Chairman of the Promotion and Market Development Committee* of the International Coffee Organization and Chairman of Altagamma, a foundation dedicated to promoting the excellence of the Italian industry.

Under Andrea's leadership, revenues have grown by more than 130% and the illy brand has become the world famous coffee we all know.



BB TRENTO FIERE GROUND FLOOR COFFEE #BB BREAK

TIME 11.30

PIZZA TRENTO FIERE

REVERSE

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Vesna Pajić, Project Manager, Ustanova Hisa eksperimentov - The House of Experiments, Ljubljana, Slovenia

### SPEAKERS

Paola Rodari, European Projects Manager and Exhibitions Developer. Sissa Medialab. Trieste. Italy

Miha Kos. Director. Ustanova Hisa eksperimentov - The House of Experiments, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Sven Dražan, Program Manager, VIDA! Science Centre / Moravian Science Centre Brno. Brno. Czech Republic

Tal Berman, Head of the Exhibits. R&D Wina. MadaTech – The Israel National Museum of Science, Haifa, Israel

Didier Laval, Manager of the Mediation Service and Living Lab, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

### **#PIZ •** AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# LESSONS LEARNT FROM **EXPLAINERS TRAINING SCHEMES**

We all have expertise on how to work with and inspire regular visitors. There are countless studies on how to engage different kinds of audiences. But do we really know how to work with and train our museum staff? Our human interface with the public is made up of individuals from very diverse backgrounds, whose job title varies from organisation to organisation.

In the last years several projects at local, national or international level, were dedicated to developing and testing training schemes to empower this human interface. THE group. the Ecsite thematic group dedicated to explainers, also facilitated discussions and training programmes. What has and hasn't worked? What still needs to be done? Have we discovered the ultimate recipe? Participants are invited to share their own experiences.

### Kathrin Unterleitner,

Project Manager, Science Center Netzwerk, Vienna, Austria

# CAN MUSEUMS AND SCIENCE CENTRES BE PORWERBRANDS?

The success of a science center or museum is based on being perceived as special. Look at the big "powerbrands" like Apple and you'll find they each own a place in the consumer's mind. They have positively differentiated themselves from the rest of the competition. Branding is creating that individual niche in the consumer's mind and owning it. More than just marketing, branding is the entire programme that creates a memorable identity.

Effective branding sets you apart from the competition. Factors affecting the brand of an organisation can be both tangible and intangible, including the organisational philosophy, product & service quality, design of printed materials and website. In other words, "brand" is your image as seen from the outside. Your brand is who you are, a promise of quality... It's not simply how your logo is displayed, but rather the emotional and intellectual response your logo triggers for visitors

### PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Maarten Okkersen. Head

- of Communication.
- Museon, The Hague,
- Netherlands

### SPEAKERS

### Svein Anders Dahl,

CEO, VilVite, Bergen Vitensenter AS, Bergen, Norway

Hans Gubbels. CEO. Continium, Kerkrade, Netherlands

Jöra Ehtreiber. Director. Frida & Fred Children's museum. Graz. Austria



#GEL : EXHIBITS & DESIGN

### **INTERACTIVE** ROUNDTABLE

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Justin Dillon Professor of Science and Environmental Education, University of Bristol, UK

### SPEAKERS

Andy Lloyd, Head of Special Projects, International Centre for Life. Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

Lynn Scarff, Director, Science Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

### Barbara Streicher.

Executive Manager. Science Center Netzwerk, Vienna. Austria

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Jennifer Santer. Vice President. Content and Programs, Patricia and Philip Frost Museum of Science, Miami, US

# **REDEFINING SCIENCE** CENTRES

Join a facilitated conversation that will

the science centre movement, asking

question some of the basic assumptions in

whether there are any essential ingredients

for making a science centre. Our speakers

will first present brief provocations, asking

Participants will then join a table discussion

around one of these questions (or an open,

"free choice" table for new questions).

Evervone will change seats at least once

during the session so that everyone works on

more than one topic. Collectively we will try

science centre in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, stripping

away some of the legacies of previous times.

and establish what it truly takes to be a

whether science centres really do need

scientists, exhibits, buildings, or even

science...

EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# MULTIMEDIA SYSTEMS FOR VISITOR **ORIENTATION AND** TRACKING

All curious minds will be grateful for hints and signs that show them the best way to what they are looking for. We will present best practice examples of indoor navigation systems and visitor tracking, and will discuss the concepts of different projects. This will enable a comparison of different objectives and technical bases like Wifi or RFID. The focus will be on opportunities and limitations from the visitor's perspective as well as from the museum's point of view. What worked well, what went wrong - and where we go from here.

CAFFÈ #⊂ΔF TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENORS

Bernd Holtwick.

Assistant Director, DASA. Dortmund, Germany

### Anne Kahr Hällman,

Director of Research. Experimentarium, Copenhagen, Denmark

### SPEAKERS

Christophe Chaffardon. Head of Education, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse, France

Wencke Maderbacher. Deputy Head of Department, Museum Education. Technisches Museum Wien, Vienna, Austria



RISOTTO MUSE

PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Robert Firmhofer.

**Director of Copernicus** Science Centre. **Copernicus Science** Centre, Warsaw, Poland

### SPEAKERS

Michiel Buchel, General Director, Science center NEMO. Amsterdam. Netherlands Herbert

Muender, General Manager, Universum Managementges GmbH, Bremen, Germany

### Goerv Delacote.

President and Chief scientific Consultant. At Bristol, Bristol, UK

### DISCUSSANT

Catherine Franche. Executive Director Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

**FRIDAY JUNE 12** 

#RIS : NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS

# QUESTIONING ORGANISATIONAL **STRATEGIES**

At science centres, we strive for perfection and innovation. We design learning experiences and raise revenue, manage visitor flows and enhance creativity. We care about toilet cleanliness and scientific accuracy. We employ educators and technicians, artists and accountants, lawyers and explainers, scientists and marketers.

Which organisational strategies allow us to deal with this diversity of challenges? Are our organisations a perfect, smooth and efficient mechanism or rather a complex living organism with its own ecosystem of competences? Or perhaps a cyborg combining organic flexibility with technological abilities?

This reverse session will start with short inspirational and thought-provoking presentations by experienced CEOs, followed by group discussions moderated by the presenters.

# **BRACE YOURSELF,** PREPARE FOR IMMERSION!

Immersion is a new trend in visitor experiences, but what does it look and feel like? Get engrossed in this showcase of a variety of immersive concepts that use rich environments, strong narratives and sensory engagement to create personal, emotional and direct interactions: and get involved in a discussion about the concepts, resources and impact behind these scenarios.



PANEL

MUSE

## TIME

12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

- Ana Rita Claro
- Rodrigues, PhD
- Researcher, Imperial
- College Centre for
- Engagement and
- Simulation Science.
- London, UK

### SPEAKERS

Roger Kneebone. Professor of Surgical Education, Imperial College London, London, UK

### Esther Hamstra. Content Manager, NorthernLight Design, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Julia Pitts, Project Leader: Information Age. Science Museum Group. London, UK

Debora Nucci, Explainer, Fondazione POST. Perugia, Italy

PANEL

MUSE

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Jim Short. Director. Gottesman Center for Science Teaching and Learning, American Museum of Natural History, New York, US

### SPEAKERS

Brian Levine, Manager of Youth Programs. American Museum of Natural History, New York, US

Sally Collins, Senior Learning Programme Developer, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Yuri Matteman, Head of Education, Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden, Netherlands

Ange Ansour, Project Manager & Research Assistant. Center for Research and Interdisciplinarity, University Paris

Descartes, Paris, France

# PREPARING SCIENTISTS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUTH

Many scientists are eager to work directly with vouth. We have access, resources, and expertise in engagement - we should help. Each panellist has developed training and support for these scientists, and will discuss pedagogical strategies in use including session content planning, youth engagement tips, learning styles, reframing questions, and use of exhibits, collections, and research tools as teaching elements.

Participating scientists work in various formats including quest speaking, teaching, visitor engagement. meet-the-scientist discussions. and mentoring research projects. We will outline goals, trainings, supports, timelines, and evaluations, with time for an extensive question and answer session, as we attempt to encourage widespread trainings and opportunities.

# LEARNING FROM TOYS

Children's toys are uniquely successful in attracting and holding children's interest. stimulating their curiosity, empowering their creativity and inspiring their imagination. Surely, as professional communicators of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, we should study the effectiveness of toys very carefully...

In this session involving many practical demonstrations, we shall explore four different examples of toys providing such valuable benefits: ingenious traditional toys from Thailand: toys that inspired an interactive exhibit designer: toys created by children and toys used for an educational outreach project.



### PANEL

TIME

12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

lan Simmons. Science Communication Director. International Centre for Life, Newcastle Upon Tvne. UK

### SPEAKERS

Katerina Ruban,

Manager of Business Development. AZPI Electronics, Moscow, Russia

### Peeranut Kanhadilok.

Head of Exhibition Section of the Science Museum. Thailand. National Science Museum, Khlong Luang, Thailand

### Jana Bittnerová.

Programme Manager, iQLANDIA Science Center Liberec, Liberec, Czech Republic

lan Russell. Director. lan Russell Interactives. High Peak, UK

SPAGHETTI MUSE

### WORKSHOP

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TIME 12.00 - 13.15

### CONVENOR

Mona Holmø, Educator, Nordnorsk Vitensenter, Tromsø, Norway

### SPEAKERS

Hanne Madsen, Science Communicator, Jaermuseet, Sandnes, Norway

Anna Gunnarsson, Teacher/Developer, NAVET, Borås, Sweden

Elisabeth Rebekka Killie Kanebog, Pedagogue, Nordnorsk Vitensenter, Tromsø, Norway

Sabine Haake, Edutainer, VilVite, Bergen Vitensenter AS, Bergen, Norway

Aina Fiskå, Educator, Jaermuseet, Sandnes, Norway

**FRYDAY JUNE 12** 

AUDIENCES & LEARNING

REPAIR, RECYCLE, REMAKE, REDESIGN, RETHINK

The Maker movement keeps growing all over the world. With an increased awareness of climate change and the environmental impact of what we do, many makers and designers focus on the R-words: repair, reuse, refuse, reduce, recycle, remake, redesign and rethink. We are talking about a coming shift from a linear to a circular economy, where materials are reused and get a new life.

Science centres have for many years offered workshops where we make toys and other things from scrap, which often end up in the bin at the end of the session. We want this practice to change and invite you to a workshop where we up-cycle waste, giving it a prolonged life instead and producing items our audience will proudly bring home and use. GAMELAB

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BUON APPETITO TRENTO FIERE

LUNCH

TIME 13.15

THE CHEF'S CHOICE



AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# FEEDING CREATIVITY - THE EARLIER, THE BETTER

Children are the best innovators and inventors! We only need to help them put their amazing imaginations to use, in a stimulating environment, with suitable tools and materials, sensitive guidance and a little coaching.

Too often, adults overlook the importance of children's playful creativity, but this is the crucial formative period of young lives, when future paths become fixed. Soon, this window of opportunity closes and a curtain comes down. There is no time to waste. Childhood is short.

Each of our speakers will stimulate discussion of a different context in which young people's creativity can be empowered.

# PIZZA #

REVERSE

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENORS

Sally Montgomery, Consultant, DSM Consulting, Castlewellan,

UK

### SPEAKERS

Olga Zinovieva, Advisor for International Affairs, All-Russia Science festival, Moscow, Russia

Ekaterina Mruchko, Reseacher in Egyptology, All-Russia Science Festival, Moscow, Russia

**Ian Russell**, Director, Ian Russell Interactives, High Peak, UK

Alexey Zemko, CEO, AZPI Electronics, Moscow, Russia

Axel E. Hüttinger,

Managing Director, Kurt Hüttinger GmbH & Co. KG, Schwaig bei Nürnberg, Germany

Alessandra Crusi, Sognando al Museo Project Coordinator, Fondazione POST, Perugia, Italy

Jeanette Schuppe-Krahn, Educational Toy Designer, EuroScience GmbH, Kappeln, Germany

#TIR : EXHIBITS & DESIGN

### REVERSE

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENOR

Anna Schaefers. Head of Concept and Research, Archimedes Exhibitions. Berlin, Germany

### SPEAKERS

Ines Prieto. Exhibits Design, Cité de l'espace, Toulouse. France

Gérard Cobut. Head of Exhibition Development, Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels. Belaium

Lauren Deere. Museum Manager Thinktank, Birmingham Museums, Birmingham, UK

Cornelia Reichert. Freelance Science Writer.

Bremen, Germany

# DO EXPERTS KILL CURIOSITY?

The consensus: texts and exhibits in an exhibition have to be scientifically correct. The question: how do we come by this correctness and what does "correct" actually mean? Science centres and museums often employ teams of experts to ensure the correctness of their exhibitions.

The potential problem: experts know the science but not necessarily what makes good interaction, or how visitors behave and react in exhibitions. Still, their knowledge is crucial for the museum.

This reverse session will bring together curators, writers, and experts who will be giving short presentations of their experiences to then get into a discussion with the audience on how to make the cooperation between institutions and experts worthwhile for all parties, including visitors.

EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# HUMAN BODY EXHIBITIONS AND SCIENCE CENTRES/ MUSEUMS

Exhibitions on the human body are among visitors' most remembered and enioved experiences. Even if the general topics tackled by human body exhibitions are similar, science centres and museums can deal with them in very different ways, reflecting the organisation's points of view, its visitors' preferences and the target it wants to reach.

This is particularly evident with topics like sex, diseases and death, which are often considered "uncomfortable" by some visitors, parties or sponsors. Do designers have to take these reactions into account? In this session we will hear from existing exhibitions in Glasgow Science Centre and Granada Parque de las Ciencias as well as from stakeholders focus groups developed in Naples to prepare the "Corporea" exhibition.

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### PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENOR

Luigi Amodio, Director, Fondazione IDIS - Città della Scienza, Naples, Italy

### SPEAKERS

Guglielmo Maglio, Head of Exhibitions and Live Events. Fondazione IDIS Città della Scienza. Naples, Italy

Robin Hoyle, Director of Science, Glasgow Science Centre, Glasgow, UK

### Cristina González

Sevilla. Communication Manager. Parque de las Ciencias, Granada, Spain

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of Expert Team. Dolni oblast Vítkovice / Lower Vítkovice, Czech Republic CAFFÈ TRENTO FIERE

### REVERSE

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENOR

Ronen Mir, Director, Science Learning Centers, Clore Garden of Science - Davidson Institute of Science Education, Rehovot, Israel

### SPEAKERS

Gillian Thomas, President/ CEO, Miami Science Museum, Miami, US

Miha Kos, Director, Ustanova Hisa eksperimentov - The House of Experiments, Ljubljana, Slovenia

lan Simmons, Science Communication Director, International Centre for Life, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK

Ariel Heimann, CEO, Davidson Institute of Science Education, Clore Garden of Science -Davidson Institute of Science Education, Rehovot, Israel

### Raffaella Spagnuolo,

Coordinator "Scienze in pratica" (Unit for 14-18 years old), Fondazione Golinelli, Bologna, Italy

#CAF • AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# COMBINING INFORMAL AND FORMAL SCIENCE EDUCATION TRADITIONS

How can science centres set up meaningful collaborations with formal science education across the Globe? How can we contribute to deliver science curricula? This session highlights situations when formal science education calls upon science centres to provide overall learning environments and teaching for school students.

Speakers will describe the need that drives their project, the techniques used to implement it, and the initial outcomes of operating formal learning environments by free choice learning institutes. Participants will be able to share additional examples, ideas and suggestions for new developments combining the strengths of formal and free choice learning institutions. This is an opportunity to forge collaborations for launching new projects.

Pedro Pombo, Director, Fábrica Science Centre, Aveiro, Portugal AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# VISITOR TRACKING AND RELATED MOBILE TECHNOLOGIES

Emerging mobile and indoor tracking technologies are of great interest for research and interpretation in science museums. As the cost of hardware decreases for indoor wifi, iBeacon, RFID and near field communication, science centres can afford to run experiments. They can also support focused projects to enhance visitor research by automating consent, anonymizing and recording whole-visit data histories or to explore possibilities for location-specific or context-aware content and interactivity.

Yet current theoretical use cases and ideal scenarios have little resemblance to real world experiences. In the quest for robust mobile tracking apps for general visitors, panellists will report on their own research and results and the promising indicators that are starting to emerge from this rapidly evolving field.

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PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENOR

- Claire Pillsbury, Program
- : Director, Osher
- Fellowships,

Exploratorium, San Francisco. US

### SPEAKERS

Joe Martin, Exhibit Design Manager, KCA London, London, UK

### Joonas Juutilainen,

Senior Graphic Designer, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

### Lærke Mygind

Grønfeldt, Student Research Assistant, PULSE, Steno Health Promotion Center, Gentofte, Denmark

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Kim Gladstone Herlev, Executive Director.

Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark **FRIDAY JUNE 12** 

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# HUMAN RESOURCES FOR SCIENCE CENTRES

A science centre is only as good as the people working there. This session will present ways to attract the best people, to train them, to keep them engaged and motivated, to offer them opportunities to grow and incentives to make them feel part of all activities in the science centre.

The session will not only focus on front-ofhouse staff but also on all possible jobs in a science centre, from workshop staff to project managers, from designers to marketing experts. Examples from a number of science centres will be given, each with a different background or history. Topics will cover finding the right person for the job, developing the competencies of new and existing staff, and dealing with changes in organisational structure or expansions.



Vlasta Volak, CEO, Techmania Science Center, Pilzen, Czech Republic

CEO, VilVite, Bergen Vitensenter AS, Bergen, Norway

Michiel Buchel, General Director, Science center NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Marie-Christine Van der Sman, Director, Museon, The Hague, Netherlands

CONVENOR

Erik Jacquemyn, Chief Executive Officer, Technopolis ®, The Flemish Science Center,

### SPEAKERS

Svein Anders Dahl,

PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

Mechelen, Belgium

### SPEAKERS

RAVIOLI

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PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

CONVENOR

Joanna Kalinowska.

Sponsoring Specialist,

Centre, Warsaw, Poland

**Copernicus Science** 

Sharon Ament, Director, Museum of London, London, UK

**#RAV** • MARKETING & COMMUNICATION

# **BUILDING YOUR** AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT **PLAN**

This session will start with a case study presentation of the audience development strategy developed at the London Museum of Transport. Representatives of different science centres and museums from around Europe will then discuss what they consider the key aspects of a successful audience development plan.

Speakers will explore audience research and segmentation, data collection, core and underrepresented audiences, programming... They will discuss the difficult balancing act of prioritising audiences and wonder whether it is possible to keeping existing ones while reaching out to new groups. They will share successes and mistakes before engaging in a discussion with the audience.

### WORKSHOP

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TIME 14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENOR

### Julie Becker,

Communications and Events Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

### SPEAKERS

Mikko Myllykoski, Chair of the Annual Conference Programme Committee (ACPC), Experience Director, The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

Amito Haarhuis, Deputy Director / Programme Manager, Science Centre NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

### Maarten Okkersen, Head

of Communication, Museon, The Hague, Netherlands

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SESSION PROPOSAL

This workshop will give you an insight into the

behind the scenes work undertaken each

Committee (ACPC), when 80+ session

proposals are chosen among hundreds of

Representatives of Ecsite and the ACPC will

outline how to create a successful session for

Discover how to develop a session idea, find

stepping into the ACPC's shoes and having a

go at assessing session proposals, you will

also learn about selection criteria as well as

any future Ecsite Annual Conference.

speakers and write a good abstract. By

vear by the Annual Conference Programme

possibilities.

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MAKER SPACE

## OPEN MAKE -PLAYING WITH FOOD

Here's your chance to spend some time

give a sense of how Maker Spaces can

involve the larger community and expand

In this session we'll explore food in several

Food MaKey MaKey - Experiment with

resistance and conductivity of different foods

by using MaKey Makey to make music with

· Food Automata - Playing with our food

takes on a new meaning through making

moving toys out of edible materials inspired

your favorite fruits and vegetables.

by the Cabaret Mechanical Theater.

· Harvest, create, enjoy - Find out what

still-life, or make a 3D-scan of it, before

a truly vitalizing drink.

grows outside MUSE and create a herbal

everything goes into Mr. Magic and becomes

• (Almost) everything that normally dwells behind glass in a museum can be converted

into a tangible 3D model and printed in 3D or

surprisingly easy to do. We'll scan objects, but

 Several local artists and makers will take cuisine to new levels as they demonstrate

their whimsical food tools - a NonnaBot for

squid ink and a food printer for chocolate.

cutting homemade pasta, food tattooing with

shared with other people. This opens new

perspectives on collections - and is

we also try to scan plants.

making and tinkering! Our special guests will

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### WORKSHOP

### TIME

14.30 - 15.45

### CONVENORS

Lydia Beall, Design

- Challenges Program
- Manager, Museum of
- Science, Boston, USA

### Sabina Barcucci, Fablab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

### Jochen Hunger, Exhibition Desianer. Jochen Hunger

Museum & Exhibition

Design, Erlangen, Germany

### Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering

- Studio Education
- Developer, The
- Exploratorium, San
- Francisco, USA

Sarah Alexander, Director, Cabaret Mechanical Theater, London, England

Francesco Bombardi, Maker and founder of FabLab Reggio Emilia, Spazio Gerra, Reggio Emilia, Italy

Marcello Pirovano and Patrizia Bolzan, Makers and founders of Tecnificio, Milan, Italy

**Evelyn Leveghi**, Food designer and chocolate artist, Trento, Italy

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#LAS : GAMELAB

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### **BB TRENTO FIERE GROUND FLOOR** COFFEE #BB BREAK

TIME 15.45

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# PROJECT SHOWCASE

TIME 15.45 - 16.45

### CONVENOR

Maria Zolotonosa, Senior Project Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

This is a showcase of collaborative projects each described in a poster and presented by participants. The showcase runs outside the confines of conference sessions in a special time slot during an extended coffee break. Each poster will describe one non-profit project. Posters will be displayed for the duration of the entire conference.

### SPEAKERS

Ana Santos-Carvalho, PharmD PhD, Instituto de Educação e Cidadania, Mamarrosa, Oliveira do Bairro, Portugal

experimental science improves

Exposing students to

the learning of science and nourishes individual capacities Instituto de Educação e Cidadania (IEC) transfers the practice of experimental sciences from academia to the community through programmes that go beyond school curricula. Knowledge acquisition of students aged 9-13 was tested before and after each session. Despite heterogeneous levels of prior knowledge, at the end of the course all students obtained similar marks. Thus, this programme promotes knowledge acquisition and equality among students with different backgrounds.

Carmel Bar, Davidson Institute of Science Education, Rehovot, Israel

Ants and Facebook: Communicating physics for the youth

An innovative method to communicate physics of complex systems is to address youth in their own language, using an online education platform. Concrete examples from their own emotional world (Facebook) and physical life (ants) engage students and create motivation. Once motivated, students are open to practicing and improving skills such as critical thinking, question asking, reflection and more.

Thierry Brassac, Head of Science&Culture Departement -Montpellier University, Montpellier, France

# атоме отель / ATOM HÔTEL: an interactive hyper-ludic periodic table

1869: Dmitri Mendeleiev sorts the 63 known chemical elements. 2014: 114 atoms are officially confirmed. Much of our human history hides in the periodic table: use of metals, radioactivity, geology, atomic bombs, pollutions and nutrition...

Let's blow away dust from the periodic table. Dmitri Mendeleiev invites you to visit his ATOM HÔTEL web-platform: one room per element, each "adopted" by a researcher. What about you... Which atom do you prefer?

Hanaa Al Mousawi, Assistant Manager Projects, Abu Dhabi Technology Development Committee, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

### Cross cultural collaborations: Lessons from a United Kingdom-Gulf partnership

"Lema?" is a traveling programme of three hands-on workshops and a stage show – all offered free of charge to private and public schools across Abu Dhabi. Latest figures have shown that more than 30,000 students in 90 schools have participated in the programme since its launch last year.

José Antonio Millan, Parque de las Ciencias, Granada, Spain

Gergor Ingeborg, DASA, Dortmund, Germany

Applied sciences and exhibitions: A European cooperation on prevention and prospection at the workplace Parque de las Ciencias (Granada) and DASA (Dortmund) are two science museums sharing some common topics of interest - but with their own singularities. They are working together on the development of two complementary exhibitions on the topic "disasters and emergency situations" and "prevention and prospection at the workplace". Scientists, engineers

**Asli Samadova**, Founder of Caspian Sci Fest, Caspian Sci Fest, Baku, Azerbaijan

and professionals are also involved.

Some results of this challenging cross- collaboration will be

presented.

### Starting from scratch - How to introduce a science popularisation activities in a new country

The idea to launch Caspian Sci Fest as a tool to advocate for a worldclass science centre in Baku, Azerbaijan was formed during the 2014 Ecsite Annual Conference. In medium-term the Caspian Sci Fest team aims to launch the first

science festival in the country by coupling local resources with international partners' knowledge and experience.

Jana Pivonkova, Business and Marketing Manager, iQLANDIA, Liberec, The Czech Republic

### iQLANDIA science center

iQLANDIA science center opened in Liberec in the north of the Czech Republic in March 2014. It is the successor of the iQpark science center (in operation since 2007). Visitors to iQLANDIA enjoy a 3D planetarium and 10 exhibition halls adressing topics such as geology. human senses or natural elements - with a total of more than 400 new exhibits. One of the halls is also dedicated to a very popular sex life exhibition. We offer science shows for the general public, topical shows for school groups and much more. Come meet us!

**Regan Forrest**, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

# Perceived Atmosphere: A novel way for characterising exhibition environments

Perceived Atmosphere (PA) was developed as part of a doctoral research project exploring the relationship between the exhibition environment and the visitor experience in museums. The PA Instrument comprises 30 semantic differentials; this poster will describe a selection of exhibitions that have been characterised using the Instrument. It will show its ability to quantify different exhibition environments and provide novel insights into how visitors perceive different exhibition environments.

### Jessica Norberto Rocha and Mônica Santos

Dahmouche, Fundação Centro de Ciências e Educação Superior a Distância do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Cecierj – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

### Travelling science exhibitions: Experiences from Brazil

In this session we present two famous pioneering Brazilian experiences in scientific travelling exhibitions: "Caravan of Science" and "Ponto UFMG Itinerant Museum". Thanks to mobile units. they can visit schools and towns in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Minas Gerais which would not have access to this kind of activity. They aim to make science more popular. reaching audiences in their own space and time. These two repurposed tractor trailers do not only transport artifacts and equipment to build and set up exhibitions. shows and workshops. but also offer activities in their internal spaces. Travelling science is challenging, specific and unlimited: vou have to be creative because of the reduced space, you need a sharp didactical approach because of the short time, you must go straight to the point because you can afford just a few exhibits.

Vassilis Papakonstantinou, Head of Hydrobot Project Team, Eugenides Foundation, Palio Faliro, Greece

# Hydrobot project - STEAMing underwater exploration

We are presenting a simple remotely operated vehicle (ROV) made by students using everyday materials. During construction students build STEAM skills. learn to work in teams and explore certain professions. Robots can be upgraded with underwater cameras. sensors and other components, to increase exploration capabilities. Some teams get the Hydrosensor, an arduino-based sensor kit that can measure certain parameters from the water environment and log them on an SD card Measurements can be uploaded to a cloud DB for further analysis.

Pawel Zuromski, EC-1 Project Manager, EC-1 Centre of Science and Technology in Lodz, Lodz, Poland

# Setting demonstrations and experiments in an industrial heritage site

The EC-1 Science and Technology Centre is located in a historic power plant built in 1929. It includes shows and experiments integrated with the historical infrastructure. Internal and external technological relics are selected for the exhibition: coalboilers, water pumps, turbogenerator, cooling tower, distribution station and control room, coal boiler drums, installation of water demineralization, dust collection systems, facilities for coal transportation and for the storage of ash and slag.

Ivone Fachada, Coordinator, Centro Ciência Viva de Bragança, Portugal

Marina D'Alessandro, Scientific communicator, Grupo Pleiadi, Cadoneghe, Italy

Paulina Kortas, Head of Exhibitions and Education Department, Centrum Nauki EXPERYMENT, Gdynia, Poland

# Regional treats: when local media discloses science

We aim to present pioneering projects of science communication in the media, specially designed to bring scientific and cultural knowledge to the general population, at a regional level, in three different countries. These projects demonstrate multiple benefits, as in each case they regionally increased the supply of science contents in paper and digital publications, relevant from a scientific and social perspective but also an educational one.



Florence Huron, French Coordinator of the Mr.Goodfish Programme, Nausicaa, Boulognesur-mer, France

Mr.Goodfish, a European programme mobilising civil society and stakeholders on sustainable seafood consumption

Launched in 2010 in France, Italy and Spain, Mr.Goodfish provides a new approach to the promotion of sustainable seafood production and consumption, based on positive recommendations. The programme's advice is always constructive and involves the entire fishing sector: fishermen, wholesalers, restaurant chefs, canteens, fishmongers, and consumers' associations. Mr. Goodfish provides the tools for consumers to make informed choices when buying seafood products.

Neama Al Marshoudi, Manager of Content + Dr. Linda Abraham Silver, Associate Director, Content, Abu Dhabi Technology Development Committee, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Evolution of informal science education from non-existent to sustained commitment in Abu Dhabi

This poster will present the development of informal science education activities in Abu Dhabi over the past four years. It will highlight the links to the Emirates workforce development goals and discuss recruitment, training and fostering long-term commitment. REVERSE

PIZZA

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Maarten Okkersen. Head of Communication.

Museon, The Hague, Netherlands

### SPEAKERS

Sophie Bougé, Curator, Universcience, Paris, France

Anssi Ahlgrén, Designer, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa. Finland

### Axel E. Hüttinger.

Managing Director, Kurt Hüttinger GmbH & Co. KG, Schwaig bei Nürnberg, Germany

lan Russell. Director. lan Russell Interactives, High Peak, UK

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Leonel Alegre, Head of Education. Science and Culture. Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

**#PIZ :** EXHIBITS & DESIGN

# NO EXHIBITION **NEEDS TO BE BORING**

What can the designer and the content planner do when faced with an exhibition topic that is neither fancy nor sexy, but just plain boring? This can happen if the topic is dated, narrow, far removed from our everyday life or perhaps in conflict with one's own ethical outlook.

This session will help participants understand that any topic can be turned into an interesting and exciting exhibition if you really put your heart into it and explore the topic with an open mind. With the help of practical examples, the speakers will share their own experiences and tools for managing these challenges. The presentations and the following discussion will round up the best practices and ideas.

# MAINTAINING TEENAGE SCIENCE ENGAGEMENT

Children are science-interested, curious explorers. Typically, science interest and engagement tends to drop during adolescence, but if maintained can prompt future involvement with STEM. Science museums can trigger short-term interest and engagement but can also offer long-term programmes to maintain these, develop science identities, increase ability, confidence and career aspirations.

We present courses, internships, and research engaging students for weeks. months, or even years. With frameworks, evaluation findings, and theoretical and research perspectives, these can be taken as successful, replicable models. Join our conversation about the importance of not only triggering interest, but also maintaining it long-term. Panellists have overcome diverse challenges, and have many tips to share!

PANEL

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Kevin Crowlev.

Professor, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, US

### SPEAKERS

Brian Levine, Manager of Youth Programs, American Museum of Natural History, New York, US

Alexander Moss. PhD Student, King's College London, London, UK

Sónia Ferreira. Instituto Educação e Cidadania. Mamarrosa, Portugal

Silvia Grabner, Director, NaturErlebnisPark. Science Education Center. Graz. Austria

LECTURE AND ROUND TABLE

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENORS

Rosalia Vargas,

President of Ecsite, Director, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Per-Edvin Persson, Professor, Helsingfors,

Finland

#GEL RESEARCH & EVALUATION

## THE IMPACT OF SCIENCE CENTRES

This presentation summarizes the scientific literature on the impact of science centres on their respective communities, with a focus on learning and education, local economic development and community development. These effects contribute to the goals of the Mechelen Declaration, approved at the 2014 Science Centre World Summit.

Science centre visits also deepen the learning process, enhance motivation, strengthen confidence in science, affect attitudes towards it and influence career choices. Every year, they host more than 300 million visitors worldwide, with a total economic impact in the range of 5 to 15 billion euros. Science centres have been instrumental in many urban redevelopment schemes around the world.

# PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH IN SCIENCE CENTRES

Museums and science centres increasingly involve themselves in psychological and educational research. The type of research initiated greatly varies within and among centres. Research ranges from theorymotivated academic studies on the one side to prototyping on the other, each with their own aims, benefits and drawbacks.

In this session four science centres will present the range of psychological and educational research that they have been initiating. They will present choices they make about the types of research, the designs and setups, the things they learned from research, and how they share new insights within the organisation. Most of all, they will share their own curiosity-driven learning process.



### PANEL

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENORS

### Marjolein van Breemen,

- Head of Education/
- Science Learning Center,
- Science center NEMO,
- Amsterdam, Netherlands

### Maartje Raijmakers,

Affiliated Professor University of Amsterdam NCTW/NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

### SPEAKERS

Karen Davies, Head of Learning Research and Projects, Science Museum Group, London, UK

### Anne Kahr Hällman,

Director of Research, Experimentarium, Copenhagen, Denmark

- Varda Gur Ben Shitrit,
- Head of Science and
- Society, Bloomfield
  - Science Museum
- Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel

### RISOTTO MUSE

PANEL

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Louise Windfeldt, PhD Fellow, Department of Science Education, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

### SPEAKERS

Karin Örnborg, Pedagog, Universeum AB, Gothenburg, Sweden

Aiyana Hudgins, Head of Education, Norsk Teknisk Museum, Oslo, Norway

Heidrun Schulze, Project Manager, Science Center Netzwerk, Vienna, Austria

Spela Godec, PhD Student, King's College London, London, UK

#RIS EQUITY & INCLUSION

# MOTIVATING PEOPLE TO IDENTIFY WITH SCIENCE

Many people think that science is not for people like them: they are not the 'right' gender, they do not have the 'right' background, or they are perhaps not 'good enough' students. In this session, we will highlight why thinking about identities is important in understanding the needs and behaviours of visitors young and old. By sharing a range of international examples and research findings, we will draw attention to the potential of science museums and science centres to help people embrace broader ideas about who science is for. We look forward to engaging the audience in thinking about their views about what it means to be a 'science person' and how this might be reflected in their own practice.

AUDIENCES & LEARNING

# AWAKENING VOCATIONS IN SCIENCE CENTRES

Encouraging youngsters to pursue STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) related studies and careers, is a challenge faced by most European countries. How can this objective be achieved?

This session focuses on the role science centres have played until now and will address the challenging question of how current results could be further improved. Awakening vocations will for example be the primary mission of the future Luxembourg Science Centre poised to open in 2016.

Panellists from the US and Europe will review current studies and experiences. In addition, the panel will examine new methodologies aimed at awakening scientific and 21<sup>st</sup> century economy related studies and careers among youngsters.

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PANEL

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Nicolas Didier, President,

Luxembourg Science Centre, Bertrange,

Luxembourg

### SPEAKERS

Eric Siegel, Director and Chief Content Officer, New York Hall of Science, New York, US

Judy Diamond,

Professor and Curator, University of Nebraska State Museum, Lincoln, US

Hannu Salmi, University of Helsinki, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

MUSE PANEL

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Lorna Williams. Head of Content Interactive Gallery, National Media Museum, Bradford, UK

### SPEAKERS

Inês Oliveira. Education Officer - Project Manager, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva. Lisbon. Portugal

Elin Roberts. Head of Public Engagement, International Centre for Life. Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

Christof Börner. Phaeno GmbH, Wolfsburg, Germanv

Matthias Rudloff. Project Manager, Kurt Hüttinger GmbH & Co. KG. Schwaig bei Nürnberg, Germany

**FRIDAY JUNE 12** 

# DISTILLING MAKER FAIRE CRAZE INTO LONG TERM PROJECTS

Science centres are using the Maker Faire craze as inspiration for exhibitions. But can visitor curiosity be held for 3 months with few facilitators? What are the key ingredients for a successful recipe?

Firstly, this session looks at Faires that have been "cooked" into longer displays to bring the Maker ethos to science centres. Pavilion of Knowledge are finding ways to promote higher contact with the maker and artist communities while Centre for Life have learned lessons from their growing Maker Faire experiences.

Secondly, we ask if these approaches are different from the tried and tested exhibit development process. Phaeno will share thoughts on providing a suitable environment for creative exhibits and Hüttinger will give the fabricators' view: has client appetite changed? **NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS** 

# EXCHANGING **IDEAS BY EXCHANGING** PEOPLE

As an industry, we are able to share and copy good practices more freely than many other fields of business. Sometimes the best way to learn is to move into a new culture and work side by side with peers there. A new face in the organisation can bring novel views and shake up the way things are done. For the individual, breaking routines is inspiring.

This session will shed light on a few professional exchange initiatives in our field and gather ideas and experiences of how to maximize the benefits of professional exchanges for all parties involved. Three different cases will be presented, after which a brainstorm to generate and evaluate ideas for professional exchange activities will take place.



TIME

16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

### Tuomas Olkku.

Development manager, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

### SPEAKERS

Anthony Richards, Learning and Operations Consultant and Advisor. KCA. London. UK

### Ian Brunswick.

Exhibitions & Events Manager, Science Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

Heidi Ekelund. Exhibition Producer. Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre. Vantaa. Finland

### Claudia Velhas

Exhibition Developer, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva. Lisbon. Portugal

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REVERSE

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SPAGHETTI

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENOR

Sabina Barcucci,

FabLab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

### SPEAKERS

### Mikko Myllykoski,

Experience Director, Heureka the Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, , Finland

### lan Brunswick,

Programme Manager, Science Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

### Marc Dusseiller, Scientist and DIYbio activist, Hackteria, Zurich, Switzerland

### Jochen Hunger,

**FRIDAY JUNE 12** 

Exhibition Designer, Jochen Hunger Museum & Exhibition Design, Erlangen, Germany

Jon Haavie, Exhibit Designer and Maker Ambassador, Norsk Teknisk Museum and Norway Makers, Oslo, Norway MAKER SPACE

# HACKING THE

The openness of science centers and museums to the hacker culture - through BioLabs and FabLabs-like settlements – is leading cultural and scientific institutions toward a more community-sensitive and inclusive vocation. Nevertheless, to concretely engage with communities requires the institution to keep evolving also in its essential shape and to become a playground, suitable to commit with bottom-up phenomena and organisations.

"Hacking the institution" is an invitation to museum experts and community managers to openly confront on those critical issues that museums - so far, vertical and bureaucratized by definition – are facing while striving to be grassroots community inclusive and participative. The purpose is to share thoughts on needs, constraints and epic fails, and take the opportunity to grasp together what are those practical further steps, those institutional "hacks" able to generate a next, proper radical trust within communities. GAMELAB

### GAMELAB

Gaming is a powerful trigger to engage people and is being more and more widely used in industry, entertainment, advertising, management and... science communication. In the GameLab, we would like to take the time to play, experiment with a variety of science based games; we think that there is no better way of developing our opinions about games than taking the time to try a few. A time we usually lack in our everyday work.

In the GameLab, you can find a selection of games (including video-games, but not only), some of which are "on the market" and some still under construction. Come and try them out any time. The GameLab will also be what you'll make of it: want to discuss a specific topic? Dreaming of designing and prototyping a game of your own? You're more than welcome! 0

### WORKSHOP

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

### CONVENORS

Malvina Artheau, Head

- of the digital department,
- Science Animation,
- Toulouse, France

### Marc Jamous,

Coordinator of Serious Game projects, Universcience, Paris, France

### Fabrice Jouvenot,

Transmedia Designer & Manager, Universcience, Paris, France

Martin Howe, CEO, TEQ4, Brighton, UK

Micol Molinari, Learning projects coordinator, Enterprising Science, Science Museum, London, UK

Beth Hawkins, Learning Projects Manager, Science Museum, London, UK



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need to enter this	:
year's competition for	•
a chance to win free	•
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2016 Ecsite	•
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# SATURDAY JUNE 13



PIZZA TRENTO FIERE

### REVERSE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Nathalie Caplet, Scientific Resources & International Relations Manager, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

### SPEAKERS

Alex Johnson, Associate Curator of Science, Science Museum Group, London, UK

### La Vergne Lehmann,

Researcher and Waste Educator, University of Adelaide, Adelaide, Australia

### Anna Gunnarsson,

Teacher/Developer, NAVET, Borås, Sweden

# PRESENTING WASTE

We throw things away because we want to forget them. But they don't cease to exist. Dealing with the vast quantities of waste from our modern lives is a major environmental and economic concern.

This is an important message, but engaging audiences with this topic – which is unpleasant, boring, and sometimes a bit smelly – presents quite a challenge.

This reverse session explores how innovative artistic and creative approaches can mediate new encounters with waste, and perhaps even encourage people to adopt more sustainable behaviours. Speakers will highlight the opportunities and challenges of projects in their organisations, before discussion is opened up to the audience. Themes under discussion will be relevant for anyone seeking to engage audiences with challenging subjects.

# A WAKE-UP CALL FOR LEARNING RESEARCH AND PRACTICE!

In this provocative session three internationally renowned panelists will challenge the audience to think afresh about learning and teaching in informal settings.

You may be familiar with the sector's most popular texts, but are you really applying them in your practice? Indeed, should you be?

Perhaps your institution was established along particular lines, but is it now timely to consider a newer theoretical paradigm? One that builds on more recent understandings of how learners learn?

In what ways does your institution currently engage with contemporary research? Could it, should it, be doing it better?

These questions and others will be posed and answered by scholars Marianne Achiam, Justin Dillon and Kevin Crowley. Join us for what promises to be a very stimulating discussion! PANEL

## TIME

09.00 - 10.15

### CONVENOR

Heather King, Research Associate, King's College London, London, UK

### SPEAKERS

### Marianne Achiam,

Assistant Professor, Department of Science Education, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

Justin Dillon, Professor of Science and Environmental Education, University of Bristol, UK

### Kevin Crowley,

Professor, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, US

#### WORKSHOP

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENOR

Gérard Cobut, Head of Exhibition Development, Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

Anna Schaefers, Head of Concept and Research, Archimedes Exhibitions, Berlin, Germany

Irena Cieślińska, Head of Education and Science Communication Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

Friso Visser, Head of Education and Presentations, Museon, The Hague, Netherlands

#### Jaakko Pöyhönen,

Exhibition Manager, Heureka - The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

**SATURDAY JUNE 13** 

## A SAMPLE OF SCIENTIFIC FOOD EXHIBITIONS

There is a lot of science in food, but how do we present it in our exhibitions? Can we build participatory events and activities around food? Many other aspects are also worth investigating: the chemistry and physics of cooking, the digestion process, genetically modified organisms, cultural differences in taste, or the use of collections as a starting point and context for the multi-layered stories we want to tell, "matching" food and objects. With this workshop, speakers will bring samples of the food topics they have worked on in their projects or have always dreamed of showcasing. In groups, participants will then invent exhibits or participatory models around these tasks. Additionally, there will be actual food for curious tongues!

Louise Windfeldt, PhD Fellow, Department of Science Education, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark EQUITY & INCLUSION

## BARRIER-FREE AND ACCESSIBLE EXHIBITIONS - CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Nowadays it is common that new exhibitions must be barrier-free and meet high accessibility requirements. Legitimate demands of organisations representing disabled people and official guidelines for accessibility are a major challenge for the concept development, design and implementation of exhibitions. Often this is considered a difficulty in terms of technical constraints, content requirements and financial framework.

But maybe this is a mistaken view. It can also be regarded as a chance to develop totally new approaches, ideas and solutions that can benefit every visitor in the end. In this panel session we will investigate these challenges and opportunities, based on practical examples from the field. CAFFÈ #CAF TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

#### TIME 09.00 - 10.15

CONVENOR

Nicolas Köster, Project Manager, Triad, Berlin, Germany

#### SPEAKERS

Junko Anso, Science Communicator, National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan), Tokyo, Japan

Karoline von dem Bussche. Creative

Director Concept Text, Triad, Berlin, Germany

Nathalie Puzenat, Exhibit Developer, Universcience,

Paris, France

Jessica Bradford,

Content Manager, Science Museum, London, UK

Michał Buława, Main Exhibition Specialist, Instytucja Kultury "EC1 Łódź – Miasto Kultury", Łódź , Poland

new approaches, ideas an benefit every visitor in the e session we will investigate and opportunities, based o examples from the field. RISOTTO MUSE #RIS AUDIENCES & LEARNING

## REVERSE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENOR

Joanna Kalinowska, Sponsoring Specialist, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

#### SPEAKERS

Paulo Mota, Museu da Ciência da Universidade de Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal

Lucy Robinson, Citizen Science Programme Manager, Natural History Museum, London, UK

#### Fermin Serrano Sanz, Executive Director.

Fundación Ibercivis, Zaragoza, Spain

Muki Haklay, Professor of GIS, UCL, London, UK

Antonio Parodi, Project Leader, CIMA Research Foundation, Quiliano, Italy

#### Claudia Göbel,

Coordinator, European Citizen Science Association (ECSA) Headquarters, Berlin, Germany THE FUTURE

## OF CITIZEN SCIENCE

Citizen science projects offer a new form for the engagement of citizens in scientific research. In this session we will explore the opportunities and challenges of this emerging area by looking at different case studies covering a wide range of scientific disciplines and approaches.

We will use examples from the Socientize project, and present case studies involving collective music experiments, climate risk assessment, environmental monitoring and citizen cyberlabs.

The presentations will lead to what we expect to be a lively discussion on the future of citizen science in science communication.

## INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE IN SCIENCE CENTRES

"When an old man dies, a library burns to the ground", says an African quote.

Older people are a source of information about "modern times a long time ago" and can share their experiences with younger generations. How was life 60 years ago? How to use a typewriter? How to age happy and fulfilled? How to find one's way without a GPS and friends without Facebook? Homo analogis meets digital natives and engages in a lively exchange about science and technology, life and society.

Two examples of intergenerational programmes are presented: "Dialogue with Time", an exhibition where seniors over 70 work as mediators; and the workshop "Raconte-moi tes techniques" where old and young share their knowledge about objects of different times, demonstrating that science and technology can foster intergenerational dialogue. #RAV

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PANEL

## TIME

09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENOR

Paweł Barczyński, EC1 and University of Lodz, Lodz, Poland

#### SPEAKERS

Vanessa Mignan, Project manager, TRACES, Paris, France

Orna Cohen, Partner and Chief Creative Officer, Dialogue Social Enterprise GmbH, Hamburg, Germany

**SATURDAY JUNE 13** 

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DEBATE

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENOR

Michael Creek, Freelance Consultant, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

Aliki Giannakopoulou, Project Manager, Ellinogermaniki Agogi SA, Athens, Greece

#### Maria Xanthoudaki,

Director of Education and of International Relations, Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia 'Leonardo da Vinci', Milan, Italy

MOZZARELLA #MOZ · AUDIENCES & LEARNING

COMPETITIONS FOR SCHOOLS - WIN, LOSE, OR DRAW?

Science centres and museums often resort to competitions as a way to engage young people, using prizes as incentives and finding original ways to get kids involved with the museum. In European projects, they can also be a go-to solution for the much sought-after European added value.

But do competitions motivate young people for all the wrong reasons? Are we celebrating creativity or reinforcing a culture of winners and losers?

In this session the two speakers will bring forward their best arguments in order to object or support the use of competitions as a tool to engage young people. The audience will be forming an active "jury", supporting, rejecting or adding to the arguments. Whether you are against or in favour of using competitions, join and decide whether competitions are indeed guilty or not...

## LINKING VISITORS, MOTIVATIONS AND THEIR EXPERIENCES

We eat for all sorts of reasons: a hurried breakfast meets a physiological need; a leisurely meal with family and friends meets a social and spiritual one. Similarly, visitors to museums and other educational leisure settings come with a variety of needs, goals and expectations, i.e. different motivations.

There are various models for visitor motivation, such as Packer's (2004) motivational categories, and Falk's (2009) "identity" model. Research has shown that visitor motivations help shape the visit experience, determine what visitors find satisfying and influence their long-term meaning making. In this session, you will hear from researchers who have developed tools for quantifying visitor motivation and experience, and a museum professional with experience in implementing such tools. PANEL

TIME 09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENOR

Bernadette Schrandt.

Researcher Experience Design for Crossmedia Content, University of Applied Sciences Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands

#### SPEAKERS

Regan Forrest, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

Andrea Giron, Manager of Audience Insights,The Denver Museum of Nature & Science, Denver, US

Siëlle Phelan, PhD Student, Technische Universität München, Munich, Germany #SPA • MAKER SPACE

#### REVERSE

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TIME 09.00 - 10.15

#### CONVENORS

Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering Studio Education Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

#### SPEAKERS

Jean-Michel Molenaar, Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, Grenoble, France

#### Marjolein van Breemen,

Head of Education, NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Dick de Jong, Head of Exhibitions & Programs, NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands FAILURES IN THE

## MAKER SPACE

In this experimental session, we'll shift from sharing the glowing success stories around Maker Spaces, workshops and hands-on sessions in our centres to talking about the things that didn't work so well. These challenging moments should be celebrated as learning opportunities that give us the tools to make our spaces the best they can be.

Come with stories of activities, programmes and environments that didn't go as planned and together we'll discuss what went wrong and try to come up with positive ways of thinking about these shared experiences.

Through this discussion, we hope to give you a taste of what it means to actually have a Maker Space or FabLab in your center, and how to run it well!



Following the critical success of his first book, *The Bloodless Revolution* (2006), Tristram has become a renowned campaigner, working in several countries to help improve the environmental and social impact of food production. His latest international prize winning book, *Waste: Uncovering the Global Food Scandal* (2009), revealed that Western countries waste up to half of their food, and that tackling this problem is one of the simplest ways of reducing pressure on the environment and on global food supplies.

Tristram set up Feeding the 5000, the flagship event of a global food waste campaign where 5,000 members of the public are given a free lunch using only ingredients that otherwise would have been wasted. Held twice in London, replica events have since been held worldwide. Through Feedback, the charity he founded, Tristram continues to work with a range of NGOs, governments, and private enterprises internationally to tackle the global food waste scandal.

# TIME

10.30 - 11.30

#### SPEAKER

Tristram Stuart, Author and Founder of Feedback, London, UK

**KEYNOTE** 

SPEECH

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TIME 11.30 - 12.00



AUDIENCES & LEARNING

## INTO THE WILD -SCIENCE CENTRE AND ACTIVISM (PART 2)

Many activists use scientific evidence to promote social change. Other pressure groups deny or distort scientific evidence to support irrational beliefs, misconceptions and/ or partisan interests.

This is a follow-up of the 2014 session "Action or Restraint – activism, scientific evidence and social change", in which it was stated that science centres should not be afraid to engage with activist issues.

The focus of this year's session will be on how dialogue about activist issues can be achieved in science centres. The theme will be developed discussing recent case studies: large carnivores conservation on the Italian Alps; public engagement with food guidelines and regulation policies in the UK; and GM crops debates and controversies around sexual education in Poland. PIZZA #PIZ TRENTO FIERE

GOAL-RELATED PANEL

TIME

12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

- Nico Pitrelli, Co-Director Master's Course in
- Science Communication,
- ICS SISSA, Trieste, Italy

#### SPEAKERS

Wiktor Gajewski, Deputy Head of Exhibitions and Science Communication Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

Anna Darron, Assistant Content Developer, Science Museum, London, UK

Carlo Maiolini, Assistant Project Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

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TIRAMISÙ TRENTO FIERE

#### WORKSHOP

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Malvina Artheau, Head of the Digital Department, Science Animation Midi-Pyrénées, Toulouse, France

#### SPEAKERS

Didier Laval, Manager of the Mediation Service and Living Lab, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

Gène Bertrand, Head of program and cooperations, Continium - Discovery Center Kerkrade, Kerkrade, Netherlands

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## EXPERIMENTS IN SCIENTIFIC CO-CREATION

Science centres are wonderful places to ignite curiosity and raise awareness about science or technology topics. But how good are they when it comes to stimulating visitors to start their own projects, to build with others or to co-create with a company's Research & Development staff? Do we have the knowhow and the infrastructure to go beyond mere curiosity and empower visitor to co-design, experiment and debate research and innovation?

Shifting from being a customer in the research and innovation restaurant, the visitor could be redefined as one of the cooks – or even the chef in person. This workshop will empower participants to build their own formats focusing on idea generation, prototyping and testing, using case invention or creative data projects.

## SCIENCE AND THE CITIES 2020

#### ROUND TABLE

TIME

12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Michael Creek, Freelance consultant, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

Jan Riise, Director, Eusea European Science Events Association, Onsala, Sweden

Ernesto Páramo Sureda, Parque de las Ciencias,

Granada, Spain

#### Antonio Gomes da

**Costa**, Consultant in Science Communication, Lisbon, Portugal

Luigi Amodio, Director, Fondazione IDIS - Città della Scienza, Naples, Italy

#### Leonardo Alfonsi,

Director Perugia Science Fest, Psiquadro scarl, Perugia, Italy

Robin Hoyle, Director of Science, Glasgow Science Centre, Glasgow, UK

Annette Klinkert, CEO, city2science - Science Communication and Strategy Consulting, Bielefeld, Germany

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Science communication at urban level has been in the spotlight in the very last years and thanks to European projects, building partnerships at local level is becoming more widespread. At the same time experiences developed in some national contexts – i.e. in Germany, Spain, Netherlands – are solid examples to follow and emulate.

This session will focus on the following points: • which actions should be developed at European level taking into account new 2014-2020 programmes?

 can coordinated action at local level help us respond more adequately to the economic and financial crisis affecting countries and impacting our institutions?

 to what extent can the construction of local networks and the resulting dialogue with different stakeholders change our visions and practice? CAFFÈ TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Jessica Bradford, Content Manager, Science Museum, London, UK

#### SPEAKERS

Marieke Meijers,

Projectleider Publiek en Presentatie, Museum Boerhaave, Leiden, Netherlands

#### Stan Boshouwers,

Creative Director, Tinker imagineers bv, Utrecht, Netherlands

Anne Prugnon, New

Media Manager, Science Museum Group, London, UK

#### Kayte McSweeney,

Senior Audience Advocate Science Museum Group, London, UK

Elena Not, Researcher, Intelligent Interfaces and Interaction Research Unit, Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Trento, Italy

## THE NEW FUSION - REAL OBJECTS IN DIGITAL CONTEXTS

In recent years, museums and science centres have been experimenting with bridging the gap between real objects and digital experiences. The meSch (Material Encounters with Digital Cultural Heritage) project has this challenge at its heart: bringing the physical dimension of museums together with relevant, innovative and engaging digital experiences. The latest innovation in this journey has been the use of digital media to augment reality, adding virtual contexts to an object's immediate surroundings. This session will include a discussion on the use of transparent screen technology, which allows an almost seamless relationship between objects and changing digital contexts in the Science Museum's major new communications gallery and at the Museum Boerhaave's spectacular Anatomical Theatre.

## BUILDING OR BRINGING IN COMMUNITIES

How does an institution encourage curious minds to connect? How and why does it generate or foster the building of a community? What do the various parties gain from it?

Two cases will be rapidly presented about two different types of communities connecting to an institution: teenagers and a diverse mix of visitors. The speakers will focus on why their institution decided to connect to such communities, how they went about building them or fostering their growth, how they stay connected and "work" with them, how the communities evolve, what they gain...

The challenges and opportunities of building various communities or connecting with them (they could also be artists, entrepreneurs or other professionals) will be discussed with participants with ample time for debate.

#RIS

MUSE

#### REVERSE

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Holly Hasted, Owner, Collective Experiences, Tromsø, Norway

#### SPEAKERS

Nathalie Caplet, Scientific Resources & International Relations Manager, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

#### lan Brunswick,

Exhibitions & Events Manager, Science Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

#### Nazım Enes Altan,

Project Expert, Bursa Science and Technology Center, Bursa, Turkey

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RAVIOLI MUSE

PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Liesbeth de Bakker, Lecturer in Science Communication Utrecht University, Netherlands

#### SPEAKERS

David Sittenfeld, Program Manager, Forum, Museum of Science, Boston, US

Patrizia Famà, Scientific Communicator, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

#### Markus Schmidt,

Founder and CEO, Biofaction KG, Vienna, Austria

Mikko Rask, Senior Researcher, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland

Antonina Khodzhaeva, Project Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WITH SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY

Synthetic biology (SynBio) represents the latest phase in the development of biotechnology and addresses some of the greatest challenges of today's societies. At the same time, it raises crucial ethical questions, calls for adapted policies and requires to anticipate public reactions.

Many initiatives have already been taken for public engagement on socio-scientific issues. Mikko Rask will provide an overview of the most innovative procedures in Europe and beyond.

In the case of SynBio, science centres and museums are anticipating some new challenges such as the lack of a clear definition for the field and misconceptions about Do-It-Yourself communities. Our speakers Patrizia Famà, Markus Schmidt and David Sittenfeld will share their ways of tackling these issues. RESEARCH & EVALUATION

## PARTICIPATORY PRACTICES IN SCIENCE CENTRES

The roles of science centres are changing. Exhibitions with right or wrong answers are not enough in today's complex world, where beauty is in the detail and knowledge is negotiable. Science centres are in a unique position to build bridges between research and practice, and participate in the establishment of new audiences.

The session will address the need to develop collaborative methods to achieve this goal.

Through the two EXPAND and PULSE projects, speakers will share their experiences on developing participatory practices and research methods suitable for exhibition development as well as science centre development in general.

MOZZARELLA #MOZ

PANEL

#### TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Justin Dillon, Professor of Science and Environmental Education.

University of Bristol, UK

#### SPEAKERS

#### Merethe Froyland,

Associate Professor, Oslo, Norway

Julie Bønnelycke, PhD Fellow, Experimentarium, Copenhagen, Denmark

#### **Catharina Thiel**

Sandholdt, PhD Fellow, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### Mette Stentoft

Therkildsen, Project Manager, Exhibition Consultant, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### Dagny Stuedahl,

Professor, Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Oslo, Norway

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HORIZON

MUSE PANEL

TIME 12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENOR

Pedro Albuquerque,

Business Development Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

Julie Becker, Communications and Events Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

#### Carlos Catalão Alves,

Head of Communication, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Julie Stone, JMP SAS UK, European Marketing, Buckinghamshire, UK In this session, participants will be introduced to very different tools – all very useful!

#### Make the most of Ecsite's new website

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Did you know that as an Ecsite member you can publish news directly onto the new Ecsite website? Learn how to do so!

#### A new Ecsite service - Ecsite Move

Developed thanks to the Ciência Viva Ecsite presidency, this new service will allow staff of Full members to visit each other's organisation for free. Get an exclusive first demonstration of this online tool and give us your feedback.

#### From our Conference Partner JMP -A Primer on Statistical Discovery

This presentation is delivered by JMP, a Division of SAS Institute, a global provider of statistical software for more than thirty-five years.

It introduces 'Statistical Discovery', a process that allows you to work with data to discover new, useful, insights that drive cycles of learning. After a brief overview to introduce the concept, an example involving property prices in the US will be used to demonstrate how the process works in practice. JMP provides a synergistic blend of visualisation and statistical modeling capabilities, and does not require you to be an expert in statistics to make effective use of this body of knowledge. MAKER SPACE

## OPEN MAKE -RECIPES FOR ART AND SCIENCE

Here's your chance to spend some time making and tinkering! In this session, we'll play with new technologies, share activities, and provide a venue for informal conversations.

We'll explore art and science through several activities:

 Scratch Programming - A quick introduction to Scratch (a visual programming language developed at MIT) that allows participants to contribute to a collaborative "dance party".

 Homemade Arcade - Create a chain reaction pinball machine using simple everyday materials like foam and elastic bands.

 Digital Fashion - In this workshop, participants will learn how to size, personalize and make their own pair of felt Kuluska slippers using a digital customization platform and a laser cutter.

 Circular Knitic - Costantino Bongiorno will perform a demo of the Circular Knitic machine, a completely DIY and Open Source tool for Maker Spaces. SPAGHETTI #SPA MUSE

WORKSHOP

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12.00 - 13.15

#### CONVENORS

Sabina Barcucci, Fablab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

#### Jean-Michel Molenaar,

Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, Grenoble, France

Ryan Jenkins, Tinkering Studio Education Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

lan Simmons, Science Communication Director, International Centre for Life, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK

#### Sebastian Martin,

Scientific Content Developer, The Exploratorium, San Francisco, USA

#### Costantino Bongiorno,

Maker and co-founder of WeMake Makerspace, Milan, Italy BUON APPETITO TRENTO FIERE

TIME 13.15

THE CHEF'S CHOICE



AUDIENCES & LEARNING

## USING FOOD TO SHOW SCIENTIFIC PROCESSES

Food can help us learn about science and about food itself. We'll explore novel methods to engage audiences with a familiar material and to show scientific ideas and processes. This will allow us to:

 visualise scientific data
 stimulate scientific creativity
 define new types of exhibitions
 communicate and do research on the scientific concepts behind haute cuisine
 "programme" food.

This is a participatory workshop. We expect participants to bring ideas for their own projects. We will try to develop them together as much as possible within the workshop itself.

The role of several concepts in learning will be explored: materiality, kinaesthetic learning, group learning, etc.

#### PIZZA #PIZ TRENTO FIERE

WORKSHOP

#### TIME

14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENORS

Ramon Sanguesa,

Founder and Co-Director, La Mandarina de Newton SL, Barcelona, Spain

#### Irene Lapuente Aguilar,

Director at La Mandarina de Newton SL, Barcelona, Spain

#### SPEAKERS

Laurence Humier, Engineer, Milan, Italy

Marc Bretillot, Food Designer, Paris, France

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#### WORKSHOP

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

Noel Jackson, Head of Education, International Centre for Life, Newcastle, UK

#### SPEAKERS

Alessandro Saracino, Senior Explainer, Fondazione Golinelli, Bologna, Italy

Inês Oliveira, Education Officer - Project Manager, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Víva, Lisbon, Portugal

**Debora Nucci**, Explainer, Fondazione POST, Perugia, Italy

#### Ivonne Delgadillo,

President of the Management Committee - Coordinator The Kitchen is a Laboratory, Fábrica Science Centre, Aveiro, Portugal

#### Ruth Murray, Learning Manager - Special Projects, At Bristol, Bristol,

Manager - S Projects, At I UK #TIR : EXHIBITS & DESIGN

## KITCHEN LABS AND EDIBLE SCIENCE

Working in a lab is somehow similar to cooking and lab procedures may look like recipes.

This hands-on session will welcome participants into a familiar kitchen-like environment and offer short experiments and hands-on activities, exploring the science behind food preparation, production and taste

#### Different experiments will allow participants to: • explore the chemistry, biology and physics involved in cooking and take it to another level;

understand how tasting experiences can allow to explore what neurosciences reveal on crossmodal and multisensory studies;
understand how the familiar setting of a kitchen affects the informal science learning experience;

 learn how particular foods are produced by mixing artisanal know-how and scientific knowledge.

## MULTIDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMMING IN SCIENCE MUSEUMS

Science is not isolated from other aspects of human endeavour, such as history, culture, art, music etc. Science centres must effectively tap into multiple disciplines. Some have done this for considerable time, while others are discovering the multidisciplinary world.

Panellists will present examples of science centres with substantial multidisciplinary experience and others currently expanding their missions and visions.

This exploration of multidisciplinary programming will touch on partnerships, planning strategies and programme evaluation, as well as possible challenges raised by mission, political situation or finances.

Collaborations with the general public will be discussed – they bring unique skills, information, perspectives and community resources in fields such as music, history or art. GELATO #GEL TRENTO FIERE

PANEL

## TIME

14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

Robert West, President, Informallearning.com, Denver, US

#### SPEAKERS

Guy Labine, Chief Executive Officer, Science North, Sudbury, Canada

Linda Conlon, Chief Executive, International Centre for Life, Newcastle, UK

Lynn Scarff, Director, Science Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

Tom Rockwell, Director of Exhibits and Media Studio, Exploratorium, San Francisco, US CAFFÈ TRENTO FIERE

#### REVERSE

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

#### Julie Becker,

Communications & Events Manger, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

**Olivier Retout**, CEO, SPL Lascaux Intern. Exhibition, Périgueux, France

Ioannis Miaoulis,

President & Director, Museum of Science, Boston, USA

#### Jan Alfred Andersson,

Head of Oslo Science Centre, Oslo, Norway

**Elisabetta Tola**, Science journalist, formicablu, Bologna, Italy

## EXHIBITION REVIEWS -SHALL WE GIVE UP ON MAINSTREAM MEDIA?

When mainstream media report on art exhibitions, they tend to publish in-depth reviews by specialists commenting not only on the art on show itself, but also on curator choices like narrative, object selection or design. When it comes to science exhibitions however, coverage seems often limited to either copy-paste articles of self-promotional press releases or discussions of the science topic at hand.

Why this superficial reviewing? Does it matter? Are science museums too quiet about their editorial and design choices, or are the media (and their audiences) just not interested? Shall we change our stories? Try to "educate" the media? Or give up on them and find other avenues?

Join this provocative session allowing ample time for discussion.

NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS

## DIGITAL GUIDING TOOLS IN SCIENCE MUSEUMS

Audio guides, video guides and other apps are not very common in science museums. App experiences on mobile devices can provide an opportunity for visitors to engage with exhibitions pre-, in-, and post-visit, enhancing their overall museum experience. We will show how apps can create interactive, free-choice learning experiences presenting five case studies.

Can apps give the visitor owner- and usership? We will explore the philosophy behind the idea of a mobile digital guide and share how the presented tools were evaluated. The session is a workshop and participants will try the MUSE video guide in situ.

Case studies: Digital Learning Resource (Science Museum – London); the Wandering Project (Israel); Explora MUSE (Trento); the Eureka quest (Philips Museum – Eindhoven); the Rijksmuseum app (Amsterdam). RISOTTO MUSE PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

Sergio Cagol, Program Manager, Trento Rise Innovation Agency, Trento, Italy

#### SPEAKERS

Davide Dalpiaz,

Multimedia Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

Jane Rayner, Senior Audience Researcher (Digital), Science Museum, London, UK

#### Peter Slavenburg,

Director, NorthernLight Design, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Talila Yehiel, Museum Expert,@thewandering. net, Tel Aviv, Israel

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RAVIOLI MUSE

#### REVERSE

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

Marjelle van Hoorn,

Association Manager, VSC network of science museums and science centers, Amsterdam, Netherlands

#### SPEAKERS

Marie Hobson, Learning Researcher, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Sally Collins, Senior Learning Programme Developer, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Nils Petter Hauan, Head of Development, VilVite, Bergen Vitensenter AS, Bergen, Norway

#### Marjolein van Breemen,

Head of Education/ Science Learning Center, Science center NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

#### Karen Davies, Head of

Learning Research and Projects, Science Museum Group, London, UK

## SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS

How can science museums and centres create memorable experiences that inspire students about science and the natural world and that also support the school curriculum, without any facilitator? What does the perfect self-guided school experience look like? How can museums provide the structure that teachers seem to want in an often openended learning environment? Should museums ban worksheets in favour of other engagement methods entirely?

Speakers will present the challenges they have faced while developing self-guided activities and share how they have tried to overcome them. Delegates will then be invited to discuss the questions raised. We hope to facilitate fruitful discussion and generate ideas that delegates can use to inform their strategies for school provision at their institutions.

## CHANGING SOCIETY - NEW RECIPES FOR SCIENCE CENTRES

Science centres are constantly questioning their strategic plans and repositioning their institutions to answer today's ever-evolving economic and social context.

Have the ingredients of this "nouvelle cuisine" – stakeholders and audiences – changed? How can science centres adapt their recipes? New cultural and commercial activities are already being tested out, strengthening new alliances and partnerships to position our institutions in a new relation between science and society.

Speakers from different horizons will report on trends in our field, taking into account the Mechelen Declaration, and will reflect on the following questions: What is the place for science centres in today's society? How do they respond to the needs of growth and competitiveness? How do they integrate emerging social needs?

MOZZARELLA #MOZ MUSE

PANEL

- TIME
- 14.30 15.45

#### CONVENOR

Vincenzo Lipardi, CEO, Fondazione IDIS - Città della Scienza, Naples, Italy

#### SPEAKERS

Anthony Rock, CEO, ASTC, Washington, US

#### Sawsan Dalaq,

President, NAMES, Amman, Jordan

#### Rosalia Vargas,

President of Ecsite, Director, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

Director of Science Communication, Beijing Association for Science and Technology (BAST), China

#### Michele Lanzinger, Director, MUSE, Museo

delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

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MUSE

REVERSE

TIME 14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENOR

#### Carole Paleco,

Responsible for European Projects, Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels, Belgium

#### SPEAKERS

Anna Omedes, Director, Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

Henrik Sell, Deputy Director, Natural History Museum, Aarhus, Denmark

MACCHERONI #MAC RESEARCH & EVALUATION

## CITIZEN SCIENCE -REFLECTING ON PROCESSES

Citizen Science can result from various recipes, and notably from a participative or a collaborative process. Some institutions collaborate with amateurs for their research and together produce data that nourish science. Some are good at consulting citizens on their tastes, but lack a common menu for their projects. Some are experiencing both approaches but have not yielded results yet.

This session will present approaches at work in three institutions (in Spain, Denmark and Belgium) and will give the floor to the audience to collect other experiences in Citizen Science. Together we will try to increase appetite for Citizen Science projects between research institutions, science centres, decision makers and civil society.

## META-MAKING - HOW TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING THE WAY WE MAKE THINGS

In this panel session we ask three guests from different realms of the ever broadening maker culture about their own use of technology in making things. Marc Dusseiller, from the world of DIYbio, Zoe Romano, fashion activist and maker guru, and Fiore Basile, a node of the global FabLab network will each share their unique perspective on a rapidly changing world in which design is open source, physical products are sent by email and makers can become international companies.

But is the success of the maker movement rooted in access to technical gadgets only? Or is 3D printing and Arduino just the tip of an iceberg called "democratization of technology", and finally empowering us to hack reality towards our own needs? We summon you to dream with us. Technology is changing the way we learn and teach, communicate, get dressed, eat and drink, but is 3D printing going to save the world? Will we grow a computer in 10 years, or will this stay science fiction forever? SPAGHETTI #SPA MUSE

PANEL

TIME

14.30 - 15.45

#### CONVENORS

#### Jean-Michel Molenaar,

Project Manager, CCSTI La Casemate, Grenoble, France

#### Jochen Hunger,

Exhibition Designer, Jochen Hunger Museum & Exhibition Design, Erlangen, Germany

Sabina Barcucci, Fablab Manager, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

#### SPEAKERS

Marc Dusseiller, Scientist and DIYbio activist, Hackteria, Zurich, Switzerland

Fiore Basile, Maker and FabLab manager, FabLab Cascina, Pisa, Italy

Zoe Romano, Activist and co-founder of WeMake makerspace, Milan, Italy

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BB TRENTO FIERE GROUND FLOOR

COFFEE #BB BREAK

TIME 15.45



#### OPEN STAGE

## FOOD FOR CURIOUS MINDS - OPEN STAGE

Have you recently discovered an amazing app, read an incredible book, watched a deeply moving film? Are you working on a mind-blowing project or idea? Do you have a four-minute experience that will sweep the audience off their feet or an eye-opening concept you'd like to share?

This is your chance to share your epiphany with the Ecsite community. We are looking for innovative, future-looking ideas, tips or jewels that will inspire us all in our professional lives – in short: food for curious minds. You have exactly four minutes on stage and a video projector at your disposal...

#### PIZZA #PIZ TRENTO FIERE

WORKSHOP

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

Maarten Okkersen, Head

- of Communication,
- Museon, The Hague,
- Netherlands

Didier Laval, Manager of the Mediation Service and Living Lab, Cap Sciences, Bordeaux, France

#### TIRAMISÙ TRENTO FIERE

#### WORKSHOP

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

Leonel Alegre, Head of Education, Science and Culture, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

#### SPEAKERS

Inês Oliveira, Education Officer - Project Manager, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

#### Carmen Guerra,

Program Coordinator, Parque de las Ciencias, Granada, Spain

#### lan Brunswick,

Exhibitions & Events Manager, Science Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

#TIR AUDIENCES & LEARNING

## BRINGING HOT ISSUES TO SCIENCE CENTRES BEFORE THEY CHILL

Everybody talks about it on the street, it stands on the front page of all newspapers and TV news programmes are fighting to get the best scientists in town. But how is your science centre addressing this hot topic?

In this gamified workshop, participants will be divided into groups representing fictional science centres. Each group will pick up cards and rely on chance to determine the budget, resources, constraints and opportunities to develop creative communication strategies that aim to present and debate scientific and technological topics currently on the social agenda.

At the end of the session we will evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of each strategy and discuss the wonders (and difficulties) of bringing scientific hot topics to museums and science centres. exhibits.nl

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PANEL

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

#### Luisa Massarani,

Museum of Life/Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

#### SPEAKERS

Sally Duensing, Freelance consultant and King's College, US and UK

Karen Bultitude, Director of Research (STS), University College London, London, UK

#### Supara Kamolpattana, Science Communicator, National Science

Museum, Bangkok, Thailand

#GEL AUDIENCES & LEARNING

IS THE SCIENCE CENTRE EXPERIENCE THE SAME IN ALL COUNTRIES?

In the last two decades, hundreds of handson science centres have been opening their doors around the globe, many of them in the developing world. Some of them follow the "philosophy" of the Anglo-Saxon world (e.g. the San Francisco Exploratorium), even replicating exhibits in some cases. This strategy has been adopted to avoid reinventing the wheel. On the other hand, it can happen that cultural issues are not properly considered when importing these models.

This session aims to discuss how much the experience of visiting a hands-on science centre differs (or not) from country to country and how understanding these differences can inform effective design practice. We will share experiences from Asia (Thailand), Europe (UK), North America (US) and Latin America (Brazil), with different visitor studies perspectives. FORMING OPINION - BUT HOW?

A substantial element of Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) requests the engagement of all societal actors. The change from isolated research to research with shared responsibilities is a long process that requires a considerable change of attitudes.

But change can be difficult: resistance, uncertainty, aversion to risk, and even fear can accompany the challenge of publicly debating new emerging technologies. Thus it is vital to launch effective processes of engagement. But how can that this be done? How can opinion forming be supported without being influenced? How can education contribute to opinion forming and critical thinking? This interactive workshop will compare learnings from several projects and will give participants a chance to examine their own processes, projects and ideas.



#### WORKSHOP

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

- Katharina Handler,
- Project Manager, ZSI -
- Centre for Social

Innovation GmbH, Vienna, Austria

#### SPEAKERS

Maïté Debry, Project Coordinator, European Schoolnet, Brussels, Belgium

Margit Hofer, Senior

Researcher, ZSI - Centre for Social Innovation GmbH, Vienna, Austria

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RISOTTO MUSE

PANEL

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

#### Sheena Laursen,

Director of International Affairs, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### SPEAKERS

Ignasi López Verdeguer, Director - Department of Science - La Caixa Foundation, CosmoCaixa, Fundacio "la Caixa", Barcelona, Spain

Mai Murmann, Exhibition
Developer / Project
Manager,
Experimentarium,
Copenhagen, Denmark

#### Carlos Catalão Alves,

Head of Communication, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

#### Anne-Marie Bruyas,

Responsible for International Relations, Fondazione IDIS - Città della Scienza, Naples, Italy

#### Marzia Mazzonetto,

Senior Project Manager, Ecsite, Brussels, Belgium

## TRANSFORMING SCIENCE CENTRES THROUGH RESPONSIBLE INNOVATION

Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) is a very topical concept at European Union level, and an inspirational one for science centres and museums. This session highlights how RRI tools can be used to create development processes that put users at the centre of attention. The implementation of RRI policies in European research programmes means a new era, where we focus not only on "what"; but also on "how" we develop responsibly. It requires inclusion, diversity, openness, transparency, anticipation and responsiveness. Dialogue and participatory actions should be embedded in projects from the very beginning. In turn this will give us engaged and enlightened audiences, and will support science centres and museums as important players of the science and society agenda.

## DESIGNING LEARNING SPACES -RECIPES FOR SUCCESS

Learning takes place across galleries and exhibition spaces of a science centre or museum. Still, very often dedicated learning spaces are necessary to augment learning or engage learners in ways that are difficult in galleries. However, creating inspiring, engaging and yet practical dedicated learning spaces, often for varied audiences, is an ever-present challenge.

Research suggests that the context in which learning takes place is important and fosters learning so it is vital that we get it right. What are the key ingredients for success? This panel session will take case studies from organisations at different stages in their journeys to create new learning spaces and share the design process and lessons learned to support others looking to reimagine their learning environments. RAVIOLI

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PANEL

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

Beth Stone, Head of Visitor and Learning Engagement, Natural History Museum, London, UK

#### SPEAKERS

Jeroen van der Brugge, Coordinator Content Education, Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden, Netherlands

#### Kevin Crowley,

Professor, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, US

Pernille Hjort, Head of Outreach, Natural History Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark

Ian Simmons, Science Communication Director, International Centre for Life, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK

**SATURDAY JUNE 13** 

REVERSE

MUSE

TIME 16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

Charlotte Koldbye, Science Journalist, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### SPEAKERS

Bent Johan Poulsen, Project Manager, Digital Learning, Experimentarium, Hellerup, Denmark

#### Marjolein van Breemen,

Head of Education/ Science Learning Center, Science center NEMO, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Jane Rayner, Senior Audience Researcher (Digital), Science Museum, London, UK

## DIGITAL POSSIBILITIES - A NEW BLEND

Digital technology can deliver engaging, personalised experiences that combine with more traditional elements of the science centre and create a whole new setting – a digital blend.

Do these digital interpretation methods enhance the science centre learning experience, or does the use of new technology distract from learning by overpowering other aspects?

Three case studies will be presented, introducing new ways of using digital technology. Attendees will be encouraged to debate the pros and cons of using digital technology, both inside science centres and as an extended experience outside of a visit.

The session will give attendees a fresh viewpoint, encouraging them to embrace the new technologies available to us while providing an understanding of the associated challenges

## THE VIEW FROM THE FLOOR

How do emerging trends in science centres and museum observed during this year's conference impact on the current roles and training practices of explainers, and on the value of face-to-face interactions on science centres' floors? To discuss this question, the Ecsite thematic group on explainers and human interfaces (THE group) organises a 'Hub' session. Everyone interested in the role and management of explainers (animators, facilitators, etc.) is invited to play an active role, and participate to the session by reporting interesting ideas and trends emerging from the conference, as seen from the perspective of the floor staff engaged in face-to-face interactions with visitors. Three sparkers-speakers will set the scene with short provocative statements to challenge and extend our current thinking. By drawing ideas together through a facilitated discussion between attendeed, we will consider the roles, competencies and training needs of explainers, and discuss the impact of new trends on practice.

#### REVERSE

TIME

16.30 - 18.00

#### CONVENOR

#### Matteo Merzagora,

TRACES / Espace des Sciences Pierre-Gilles de Gennes, Paris, France

#### SPEAKERS

Brad Irwin, Senior Learning Engagement Manager, Natural History Museum, London, UK

Kamil Rogulski, Deputy Head of Operations Department, Copernicus Science Centre, Warsaw, Poland

#### Anne-Lise Mattieu,

Universicience, Paris, France

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MUSE FRONT GARDEN THE CLOSING &

HANDOVER

#### TIME

18.15 - 19.00

#### SPEAKERS

Mikko Myllykoski, Chair of the Annual Conference Programme Committee (ACPC), Experience Director, The Finnish Science Centre, Vantaa, Finland

Rosalia Vargas, President of Ecsite, Director, Pavilion of Knowledge - Ciência Viva, Lisbon, Portugal

New President of Ecsite 2015-2017

Michele Lanzinger, Director, MUSE, Museo delle Scienze, Trento, Italy

The team of the AC 2016 Co-Hosts: Frida&Fred Children's Museum and Universalmuseum Joanneum, Graz, Austria

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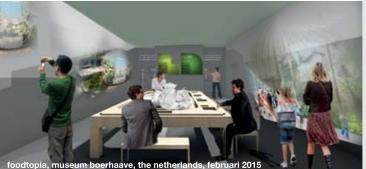
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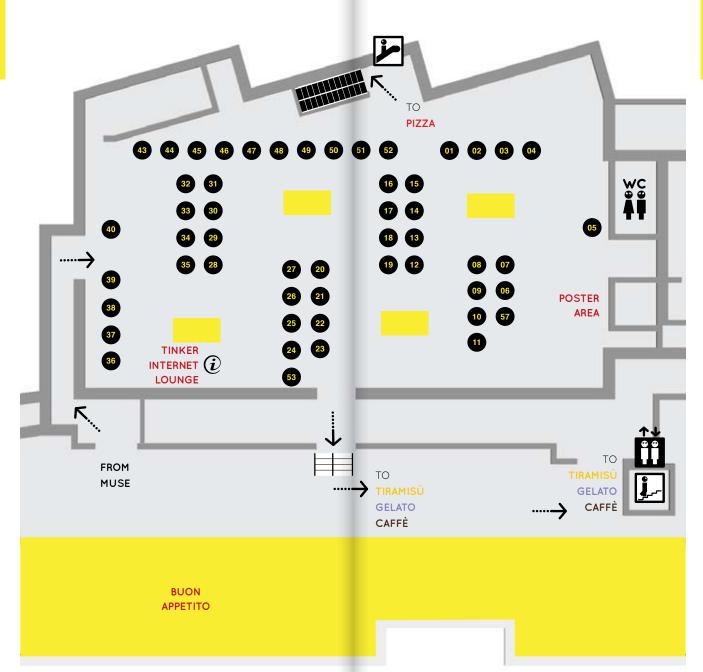
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#### **Business Bistro**

The Ecsite Business Bistro is the social and commercial hub of the Ecsite Annual Conference. Part coffee bar, part trade show, it's a relaxed environment in which to explore cutting-edge products and strike commercial deals.

#### **Tinker Internet Lounge**

A great place to meet other people and share online experiences. This Internet cafe is sponsored by Dutch experience designer, Tinker imagineers. Use our PCs or bring your own laptop. Browse through different design books on our reading table. In this zone, meet real, live tinkerers, who can help you tackle any creative question or craze that's on your mind.

#### **BUSINESS BISTRO COMPETITION**

WIN 1+3 FREE REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2016 Ecsite Annual Conference in Graz.

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#### How to win:

Deposit the filled in card at the Ecsite booth (n°26) to get the chance to win 1 free registration for next year's conference!

OR go the extra mile, cooperate and multiply your chances. Visit the Graz 2016 booth (n° 27) and find two other participants with cards of different colours and from different countries.

Team up, get briefed by the Graz 2016 team and deliver a short performance during the Closing & Handover ceremony on Saturday at 18.15. You will be competing with 4 other teams to win 3 free registrations! Good luck!



EXHIBITORS

#### PAVILION OF KNOWLEDGE

Situated in the Parque das Nações, Lisbon, the Pavilion of Knowledge-Ciência Viva is the largest interactive science and technology centre in Portugal. Major thematic exhibitions and hundreds of interactive exhibits encourage visitors of all ages to explore and experiment the physical world. Physics, mathematics, technology and other areas of knowledge are spread over an area of 11,000sqm. Workshops, seminars, scientific laboratories and other activities make this place a house of science for everyone. The Pavilion of Knowledge is now working intensively on the conception and production of interactive exhibitions, autonomously or in association with other international science centres.



#### NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, LONDON

The Natural History Museum's International Engagement team offers consultancy services and touring exhibitions to institutions worldwide. Exhibitions feature the world-renowned "Wildlife Photographer of the Year", crowd-pleasing dinosaur exhibitions as well as specimen-rich exhibitions like "Sexual Nature" and "Extinction". New exhibition projects which feature unique objects from our extensive collections are currently in development and will be launched from 2016. As a leading international research institution, our work draws on the experience and expertise of the 300 scientists working at the Museum.



#### AND 4 SCIENCE PROJECTS

We create inspiring interactive exhibits and exhibitions. Science Projects have been continuously designing and building exhibits for venues around the world since 1986. We have worked with science centres, museums, aquariums, visitor centres and schools to develop hands-on exhibits and exhibitions that engage and educate audiences of all ages. We also have our own science centre – The Observatory Science Centre in Herstmonceux UK and we operate travelling exhibitions that cover a range of subjects from art to ancient science.



#### FONDAZIONE GOLINELLI

Fondazione Golinelli was established in Bologna in 1988 as a project of entrepreneur Marino Golinelli, with the goal of promoting education and training, spreading culture and encouraging the ethical growth of young people.

It is based on the model of the large American foundations: pragmatism, vision and efficiency in project delivery make it an example of best practice in Italy.

Its activities combine art with social sciences, creating contacts between school, research and business. It is a question of civil responsibility: education is the key for a better society, prepared for the complex challenges the near future holds in store.



#### NGO PROF. BALTAZAR / AQUIS LTD (COOPERATIVE)

A group of Professor Balthazar fans founded the Association Professor Balthazar whose main goal is to promote the development of creativity, innovation and knowledge in youngsters and young scientists, and to foster sustainable development through innovative programmes. In 2012 we became a lead partner of the following science popularisation

projects in Croatia: ZEZ (Science Edutainment Centre) and Science picnic (1-day science event attracting 70,000 visitors).

We will show our projects and activities and exchange experiences with EU colleagues, and promote this year's Science picnic (time: September / place: old Roman Arena - city of Pula).



#### MUSÉUM NATIONAL D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE

A daily commitment... At the crossroads of Earth, life and human sciences, the Muséum has been devoting its resources to the study of nature for almost 400 years. Our fivefold mission is to: - maintain our exceptional collections, - conduct state of the art research, - provide multidisciplinary education, - offer recognized expertise, - ensure the dissemination of knowledge needed to protect biodiversity. The Muséum is a unique repository with a major scientific legacy that combines knowledge and know-how. From the time of its creation, the Muséum's vocation has been to transmit naturalist knowledge. Today this involves raising awareness about the importance of biodiversity and the future of the planet.



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#### UNIVERSCIENCE

As a centre of excellence for scientific culture and a promotional platform for French expertise. Universcience aims to develop science and technology awareness, encourage vocations and foster innovation. It plays an active role in science in society initiatives through cooperation, traveling exhibitions and consultancy. Available in different sizes and for all audiences. Universcience traveling exhibitions cover a wide range of engaging topics. New interactive exhibitions coming up this year: "Darwin" (in coproduction with the National Museum of Natural History of Paris) and "Cats and Dogs". In addition, we are now touring "Voice, the talking exhibition"; "Risk or not to risk?" and "Housing for tomorrow". For more details on these exhibitions. visit: www.universcience.fr/exhibitionservices

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#### ENGINEERED ARTS LTD

Since 2004, Engineered Arts have been creating imaginative, interactive humanoid robot exhibits for science and technology centres worldwide. All of our robots are multi-lingual and fully programmable, making them perfect exhibits to deliver educational content and demonstrate state of the art technology, such as motion capture and age/emotion recognition. From the desktop size SociBot mini to the visitor favourite. life sized RoboThespian. we have robots to suit most budgets. A growing number of universities are now adopting our robots as platforms for serious academic research, so you are assured that EA robots are always at the cutting edge of technology. Our experience of supplying robot exhibits to prestigious public venues such as NASA's Kennedy Space Center and the National Science Museums of Spain. Australia. Israel and Macau gualifies us to build robots capable of working tirelessly, every day, in busy science centre environments



#### MECHANICAL CIRCUS EXHIBITION

The Mechanical Circus touring exhibition is a collaboration between Museum Boerhaave and Cabaret Mechanical Theatre. This entertaining, circus-style exhibition combines modern mechanical sculpture with centuries-old physics games and artefacts. The Museum Boerhaave is the Netherlands' state museum of science

and medicine, and is the only Dutch museum listed in The Times Top 50 museums of the World (2013). Cabaret Mechanical Theatre is based in the UK, and famous for its touring collections of beautiful, humorous hand-made automata.



#### SEA FOR SOCIETY

The Sea for Society (SfS) project gathers 28 partners from 12 European countries, including Ecsite and Ecsite members.

During the project, stakeholders and young citizens were invited to generate ideas to tackle marine societal challenges at local, national and European levels. SfS now presents the concept of a Blue Society, inspiring action through a Mobilisation phase and Mutual Learning Action Plan.

The SfS booth will present the results of these consultations, information on the Blue Society and on activities that every organisation can set up in their own country.

www.seaforsociety.eu is funded by DG Research and Innovation of the European Commission/Science in Society.

#### ARCHIMEDES 12

#### ARCHIMEDES EXHIBITIONS

Archimedes Exhibitions designs multisensual experiences in threedimensional space. For this, we develop and realise interactive experience platforms and exhibits, scenographies, and exhibitions that appeal to all five senses. Our customers include science centres, international companies. museums, research institutions all over the world, and even the German Parliament. Archimedes develops location-based shows but also tours its exhibitions across the globe.

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## AMERICAN MUSEUM

#### AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

The American Museum of Natural History is a leading provider of engaging scientific content to partners around the world. Each year, we produce two 7,000 square foot traveling exhibitions as well as a variety of immersive planetarium shows, HD science videos, and other offerings drawn from the Museum's vast scientific expertise and collections. Our content presents forward-looking scientific questions and inspires intellectual curiosity and discovery while engaging visitors of all ages. More than 250 venues have presented Museum-produced content, in more than 39 countries on six continents.



#### SCIENCE GALLERY INTERNATIONAL

We support the Global Science Gallery Network and promote its associated touring exhibitions, bringing together a wide and multidisciplinary selection of cutting edge ideas from artists, engineers, designers and scientists. They are designed to open up debate, challenge opinion and create a dynamic visitor experience that is at once surprising, participative and stimulating. We provoke curious young minds, presenting ideas to audiences of all ages in a highly engaging, conversational way. We will be promoting exhibitions including "STRANGE WEATHER", "BLOOD", and "ILLUSION".

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#### THE EXHIBITIONS AGENCY

We are touring exhibition specialists, and represent museum exhibitions and collections from a variety of institutions worldwide. Our portfolio of traveling exhibitions goes beyond the science, family and natural history fields, to include art, design, history, music, popular culture and entertainment. We assist you in every step of the way to help you select the best exhibition for your needs, taking into account all your requirements, including themes, sizes, budgets and target audiences. We also offer consultancy to museums, collection owners and brands seeking to produce new touring exhibitions.



#### CITÉ DE L'ESPACE - MUSÉUM DE TOULOUSE

The Toulouse Museum is an information and debate platform about science, culture and social issues, which developed a real expertise in the production of exhibitions and now offers quality touring exhibitions.

An edutainment park aimed at the general public and fully dedicated to popularising space activity, the Cité de l'espace gives visitors the chance to truly discover every aspect of space and to really live experiences related to it.



#### **BWC VISUAL TECHNOLOGY**

Science On a Sphere-Technology uses 3-4 video projectors to seamlessly render image contents on the outside of a sphere. It produces a bright, colourful and high resolution 3D display. iGlobe 3D-View allows to see high resolution 3D spherical data on a flat panel display without the use of glasses.



#### JMP, A DIVISION OF SAS

JMP is a business unit of SAS that produces interactive software for desktop statistical discovery. Pronounced "jump", its name suggests a leap in interactivity, a move in a new direction. John Sall, SAS co-founder and Executive Vice President, created this dynamic software and remains its chief architect and leader of the JMP division. Introduced in 1989 with scientists and engineers in mind, JMP has grown into a family of statistical discovery products used worldwide in almost every industry. From its beginnings, JMP software has empowered its users by enabling interactive analytics on the desktop.

JMP products continue to complement – and are often deployed with – SAS solutions that provide server-based business intelligence. The SAS commitment to accuracy, value and quality is evident in every JMP software release. Training, technical support, licensing and distribution are provided to JMP users the world over through SAS. Teams specializing in JMP products are located in the United States, Europe, China and Japan.

**EXHIBITORS** 

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**BUSINESS BISTRO** 



#### EUROSCIENCE GMBH

Our expertise lies in the development and construction of interactive exhibits. Many are dedicated to maths and physics, some focus on sensuous experiences in general and others cover more specific topics, e.g. geography.

Our full-service operation of approx. 80 touring exhibitions per year is continuously creating a valuable pool of experiences as to function, stability and joy factor of each constructed element. At the moment, we can proudly offer you about 120 different approved exhibits and some dozens of mathematical games.

The exhibits spark interest in children and adults of all ages, animating them to join in, experiment and discuss. Visitors' spirit of enquiry and natural curiosity are fostered in an easy atmosphere, enabling engaging activities and scientific learning at the same time.



#### **TECHMANIA SCIENCE CENTER**

Techmania in Pilsen is based on the explanations of particular physical or mathematical principles by means of game-like activities. Our interactivity principle involves visitors making exhibits move, so a natural principle will be demonstrated by the particular process. In these cases, learning is based on personal experience. Techmania completed an extension in spring 2014 and currently offers programmes and exhibitions on almost 10.000 sgm. With the aim to come up with new ideas for the popularisation of science. Techmania created a very special planetarium. It is called the first 3D Planetarium in the Czech Republic because it enables full dome projections in 3D. It is a great experience just to step inside: modern technology from the Sky-Skan company set up in a historical building from 1917 creates a unique example of genius loci. The 3D or 2D movie programmes, the Space exhibition developed by the Techmania team and the "Science On a Sphere" experience make up a unique offer for family and kids, school groups and other fans of science

#### **D3D CINEMA**

D3D Cinema is a Chicago-based company that offers complete digital 3D cinema solutions and services to museum and attraction industry clients worldwide. We offer a fresh and unique partnership approach to cinema design and 3D content production: a value proposition built around four core capabilities: Theatre Design and Installation, Touring Exhibition Theatres, Award-winning Library 3D Film Content, Signature Film Production. D3D not only provides its clients with a seamless, "one-stop shop" solution to their film exhibition and programming needs, but can, by bundling both hardware and software, provide digital 3D theatre system pricing that none of our competitors can match.



#### **MEGALODON CREATIONS**

Megalodon Creations is specialized in creating high quality, customized, large scale exhibitions for rent or sale. We have close collaborations with scientists, engineers and artists, making the exhibitions scientifically accurate, safe and visually pleasing for the audience. Through our extensive experience, comprehensive knowledge and passion for perfection, we can serve all your needs, creating the exhibition you desire. Megalodon Creations - Adding life to dreams



## **KYP@INT**

#### SKYPOINT SRL

Skypoint is a highly specialized company in astronomical instruments and planetariums, one of the biggest companies in Europe for telescopes and accessories for professional observatories, schools, universities and science centres.

Through our division Skypoint Planetariums, we exclusively represent in Europe some of the best brands in the planetarium market such as Evans & Sutherland or Digitalis Education Solutions or we can offer hybrid systems using Megastar products.

Skypoint Planetariums can offer complete solutions for every budget including latest audio and cove light technologies thanks to its partnership with Bowen Technovation, professional Spitz domes or also TecnoDome, our own exclusive domes.

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## Imagine

#### IMAGINE EXHIBITIONS

Imagine Exhibitions, Inc., headquartered in Atlanta, GA, USA is the global resource for all things related to traveling exhibitions and attractions. From design to creation, placement to presentation, marketing and operations, Imagine has the experience and inspiration to bring the best possible experience to any venue. Imagine is currently producing and touring 25 exhibitions in museums, science centres, integrated resort properties and non-traditional venues throughout the world. For more information, visit www. imagineexhibitions.com.



#### KUBIK MALTBIE, INC.

For more than 50 years, Maltbie has focused on developing its ability to produce industry-leading permanent museum exhibitions and memorable visitor experiences. Our portfolio of over 300 national and international installations includes work in interpretive history, interactive science, and children's museums. Today we offer state-of-the-art facilities in the US and Canada, providing services that include project development, management, fabrication, interactive exhibit, media and software development, artefact mounting, custom showcase systems and graphic production.



#### ECSITE

Ecsite is much more than "just" a conference... Discover what the European network of science centres and museums is up to on the 360 other days of the year and how we can collaborate. Meet Ecsite staff at each coffee break. Hear of European projects and networking, publications and training, try a demo of "Ecsite Move", an upcoming new service... and put your Business Bistro competition entry card into the urn for a chance to win a free registration for next year's conference.

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#### 2016 ECSITE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN GRAZ

"Colours of Cooperation" will be the focus of next year's conference in the charming, lively city of Graz in Austria. A cooperation of 3 host organisations – FRida & freD Children's Museum, Joanneum Universal Museum and Association ScienceCenter-Network - is determined to make your visit to the 2016 Ecsite conference an outstanding experience. Visit our booth to get a taste of the hospitality and energy of Graz, with its picturesque old town, arts community and cuisine. Start cooperating now! Use the competition card in your conference bag to build connections, gather stamps, and engage in creative cooperation to win your free entrance to the 2016 Ecsite Annual Conference during the closing & handover ceremony.

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#### TECHNIQUEST

Techniquest, based in Cardiff, Wales, is the UK's longest established science centre. We welcome over 250,000 visitors a year to our sites around Wales. Our mission is to educate and inform thousands more through our educational programmes and community outreach. We provide exhibits, programmes and consultancy to science centres and museums around the world. Our team have expertise in every area of the design and manufacture of hands-on exhibits, development of educational programmes and the operational management of a world class visitor attraction. We pride ourselves on an outward looking, partnership-based approach. We have proven experience in working with others, and have the staff and skills to deliver high quality results to a wide range of organisations.



#### INSTITUTE FOR PLASTINATION E.K.

BODY WORLDS is the original anatomical exhibition series displaying authentic human bodies, willed by donors through the Institute for Plastination's Body Donor Program, and preserved using a process called plastination. Invented by Dr. von Hagens, plastination is a ground-breaking process in which real human specimens are preserved through the science of plastination. The specimens resulting from the revolutionary process are called plastinates. Plastinates show the inner workings of the body and the striking whole-body specimens show the human body in real-life poses, like never seen before.



#### MUSEKO

MUSEKO is an exhibition design, engineering and building company. Our mission is to turn your novel exhibition ideas into unforgettable visitor experiences. Our integrated approach to design, engineering and programming allows us to build stunning exhibits that are attractive, intuitive to use and work flawlessly. We really do go the extra mile to fascinate and educate your visitors. Using this recipe we have been making attractive and engaging exhibitions, completing over 70 projects in the last 10 years, all on time and within budget.



#### Musealia

#### MUSEALIA ENTERTAINMENT SL

Musealia is a European company based in Spain, dedicated to creating traveling exhibitions for museums and similar venues worldwide. We create special hearts-on exhibitions that are fascinating and emotionally interactive. With two internationally recognized exhibitions touring worldwide since 2000, more than 30 prestigious museums have hosted one of our creations. The company is now proud to announce its third creation, a new exhibition called "AUSCHWITZ". For the first time, original artefacts from the concentration camp will be brought together within the context of a superbly designed and touching exhibition that will be premiered in 2016. www.musealia.net



#### WOW FACTOR PICTURES

Wow Factor Pictures is a distribution company of 3D short films for science centres, museums, zoos and parks. Our distribution activity is managed by Dominique Rigaud, a leading producer and distributor in the special format films industry. Clemence Sother works in the company as project and communication manager. Our library combines 3D EDUTAINMENT FILMS (produced in cooperation with the scientific community), RIDE FILMS and 3D-4D ATTRACTION FILMS.



#### PUFFERFISH LTD

Pufferfish Ltd develops dynamic digital display solutions and offers a full range of media services to complement our products. Our interactive spherical display solutions, known as PufferSpheres, come in a range of sizes delivering intimate hands-on engagement through to large touchscreen controlled room pleasers. We are privileged to have worked with some of the most prestigious museum and visitor attractions from around the world and believe that the quality of our displays, as well as the care we take ensuring that our solutions meet and exceed our client's expectations, mark us out as the leading provider of spherical displays and interactive globes in the marketplace.



#### KURT HÜTTINGER GMBH & CO. KG

Hüttinger is a one-stop shop for exhibition planning, design and fabrication, working for clients throughout Europe and on an international scale. We develop exhibitions that promote exploration and understanding through multi-sensory experience.



#### **ROBETOY AB**

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#### JOURNAL OF SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

#### JCOM - JOURNAL OF SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

JCOM, the Journal of Science Communication published by Sissa Medialab, is an open access, peer reviewed journal. Since 2002 JCOM investigates the needs of communication between science and citizens and within the scientific community itself; the problems that are to be faced when models for theoretical analysis or practical means to popularize science are used; the changing relation between science and social institutions; and the informative, pedagogical, interpretative and political dimensions of science communication. In addition to research articles, each issue contains a thematic commentary composed by several essays from multidisciplinary and international authors.



#### EXPONA & CONTEMPORANEA PROGETTI

EXPONA & CONTEMPORANEA PROGETTI are partners of museums and science centres for the touring, development and the coproduction of exhibitions.and international authors.



#### INTERSPECTRAL AB

Interspectral creates interactive visualization experiences based on computer tomography data and 3D surface scans. We develop and sell the visualisation software Inside Explorer and offer professional services within the field of 3D digitization and digital heritage.

Inside Explorer enables users to interactively explore digitized objects. It is used for science communication allowing users to explore everything from the human anatomy to mummies and Martian meteorites. Interspectral is based in Sweden and our technology is today used by museums, science centres and research labs worldwide.



#### EFFEKTSCHMIEDE GMBH

Effektschmiede works with natural physical phenomena. We conceive and create installations for science centres, gardens and parks and public spaces. As an experience factory, our work is about inspiring astonishment and inviting people to dream. It plays with fire and water, light and mist, voltage and energy. All installations respond to the highest technical standards, are tailor-made for the space or room and all are individually planned and conceived by Judith Mann and her team.

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#### MUSEUM OF SCIENCE, BOSTON

The Museum of Science, Boston introduces 1,5 million visitors a year to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) via interactive exhibits and programmes. It is an international leader in introducing engineering into museums and schools. Its engineering materials for schools have reached an estimated 6,2 million students and 71,000 teachers. The Museum leads the U.S. Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network and its Star Wars exhibit, created with Lucasfilm Ltd., has reached 3 million people (http://www.mos.org).



#### SKY-SKAN

Since 1967, Sky-Skan has been a global leader in defining planetarium and immersive fulldome theatre experiences. We offer innovative and multi-media products, services and content to communicate science using award-winning cutting edge visualization technologies. Today, Sky-Skan's Definiti® theatres immerse audiences in other worlds. Presenters use our dome display technologies to make a simple show about the solar system become a fantastic voyage through space. Or they might take audiences inside a tree's leaves to discover an incredibly active micro-sized world! Sky-Skan is continuously pushing the boundaries of technology, offering the highest resolution projection systems on the market. Powering every system is our DigitalSky software, which includes the largest collection of scientifically accurate data sets available, together with advance multimedia presentation capabilities. With our Definiti Systems and DigitalSky, audiences can journey from the smallest known particles to the edge of the known universe. Sky-Skan is proud to be an Ecsite Partner since 2002. Please stop by our booth to say hello.

#### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC STUDIOS

National Geographic Studios is the video/film production arm of the Society, which creates research-based television, film and digital entertainment content.



#### HEUREKA OVERSEAS PRODUCTIONS LTD

Since 1989 Heureka, the Finnish Science Centre, has produced 28 touring exhibitions. Our exhibitions have travelled to 27 countries and over 22 million people worldwide have seen them. Heureka's newest show "GOING UNDERGROUND" exhibits everything we do with and inside bedrock. It is a place where we see what we have never seen before. "GOING UNDERGROUND" is about geology, mines and underground spaces. "HEUREKA GOES CRAZY" is the first-ever science centre exhibition on mental health. This exhibition aims to dispel prejudices associated with mental health problems and to encourage people to take care of their own well-being. It will be available for touring in autumn 2016. In addition we are now touring "20X0 – A Journey into the Future"; "The Dinosaurs"; and "Move and play!" For further information please contact Heureka Overseas Productions Ltd. www.heureka.fi



#### EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY

Since 1975, the European Space Agency (ESA) has been pooling the resources of its Member States and leading cooperation with other nations to build a European space capability, undertaking programmes beyond the scope of any single European country.

ESA develops the launchers, spacecraft and ground facilities needed to keep Europe at the forefront of global space activities. Today it launches satellites for Earth observation, navigation, telecommunications, space science, and cooperates in the human exploration of space. ESA has 20 Members States.



#### PARQUE DE LAS CIENCIAS

Parque de las Ciencias is the first science museum of its kind in southern Europe. With 70,000 sqm it is one of the most important scientific dissemination centres in Spain. Besides working on exhibition contents, it develops modules of experimental physics, produces planetary programmes and temporary international travelling exhibitions, as well as making plastinated organs for educational and exhibition purposes. www. parqueciencias.com

# BRUNS

#### BRUNS B.V.

Bruns B.V. is specialized in the development, production and installation of innovative mechanical, electromechanical interactive exhibits and complete (interactive) exhibitions for science centres, museums and information and visitor centres, including maintenance. We also manufacture showcases including lighting. With an "engineer and build" approach on a very wide scale, we have a full concept approach where we develop exhibits and exhibition together with: client – designer – engineering/fabrication.



#### EXHIBITS.NL

Exhibits.nl is a leading supplier of interactive exhibits, operating worldwide to the highest quality standards. Our exhibits are innovative, fun, educational and above all, of a world class built quality. Exhibits.nl produces high-quality, innovative and interactive off-the-shelf exhibits. The exhibits can be supplied in any colour. Most exhibits are plug and play, making them easy to install. Of course, we can arrange the installation of the exhibits on location as well as the maintenance of the exhibits. Please check out details of over one hundred exhibits online at www.exhibits.nl

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# The Field

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# SOCIAL EVENTS



# SPEAKERS' RECEPTION

## SALA DEPERO PALAZZO DELLA PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI TRENTO DATE Wednesday June 10

# TIME 18.30 ADDRESS Piazza Dante 15, Trento, Italy

Originally a luxury hotel built in 1875 a few steps away from Trento railway station, the neo-Renaissance style palace of the Autonomous Province of Trento now houses the local government representative quarter. The Sala Depero hall – the most colorful room of the building - is the seat of the local government. The room is decorated with a series of 1950s paintings by famous Futurist artist Fortunato Depero that illustrate the history and monuments of the Trentino area.



## **GALA DINNER**

#### CANTINE ROTARI MEZZOCORONA

Thursday June 11

DATE

TIME Shuttle buses to the

Gala dinner venue leave at 19.30 from MUSE front door.

ADDRESS

Via Tonale 110 - SS 43 Val di Non, San Michele all'Adige, Trento, Italy

At the foot of the majestic Italian Dolomites mountains, 16 km north of Trento, Mezzocorona is a village renown for its vineyards. A small reconstitution features tools, tales and memorabilia about winemanufacturing, illustrating the century-long winemaking tradition of this area. The Mezzacorona winery is located in a newly designed building, ideal example of "landscape architecture" where the production site is perfectly integrated into the surrounding environment. Its roof, whose shape is reminiscent of waves, echoes hilly vineyards. Here vinification occurs in stainless steel tanks at controlled temperature. The whole process is constantly looked over by the team of oenologists who manage the fermentation and organic evolution, the pumping over and the ageing of the wine. The steel tanks, casks, oak barrels and bottling equipment are extremely sophisticated and are a symbol of the area's oenological excellence.

Dinner will be served under the waved roof and will allow guests to visit the areas dedicated to aging and refinement of the local sparkling wine. Over 8 million bottles of Trentodoc are kept there for maturation to obtain the aromas and perfumes characteristic of Rotari sparkling wine.

Get ready to join the Yellow Gala Dinner, a sensorial journey among the flavours of Italian cuisine with sparkling entertainment. Speed dating will rule the dinner: when the bell rings, everybody changes table to start a new, interesting conversation. Don't worry, relax and enjoy: the rules of the game are so easy!

Buses to return to Trento city centre will depart from Gala dinner venue starting at 23.30.

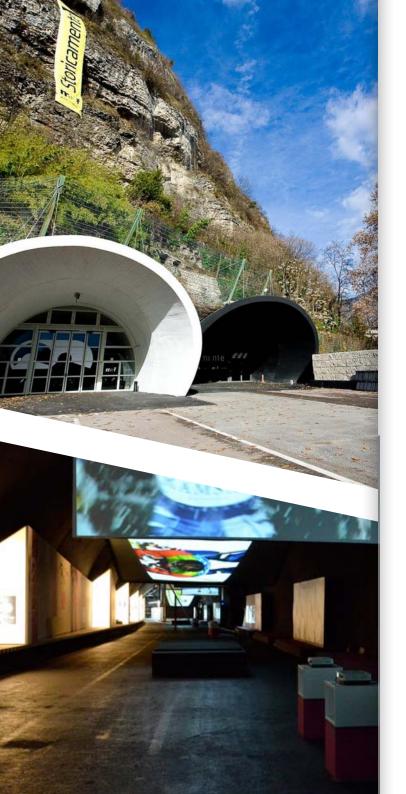


# NOCTURNE

DATE Friday June 12

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MUSE will reveal its after hours heart during this special evening. The Big Void with "flying animals" hung from steel cables will become even more attractive thanks to the numerous guests who will stroll around it. The five levels overlooking the basement, where the whale skeleton swims under the pterodactyl's and ichthyosaur's hostile gaze, allow visitors to get a glimpse of exhibition spaces and immerse themselves in the attractive mountain landscape. Tonight, at dusk, MUSE turns its exhibition galleries into amazing corners, vibrating with scientific thrill. The programme of the Nocturne includes unmatched entertaining activities, small experiments, music and a tasty buffet dinner. Guests will be challenged to guess the secret yellow ingredient of this exclusive evening... that we keep top secret for now!



# **FAREWELL PARTY** (ON REGISTRATION)

## LE GALLERIE DI PIEDICASTELLO

DATE Saturday June 13

- Piazza di
- Piedicastello, Trento,

: Italy

The Piedicastello Tunnels are just what the name suggests: two former highway tunnels reconverted in 2008 into the history museum of Trento and the surrounding region.

The tunnels were built in the early 1970s as part of the development of the Trento ring road to allow quicker crossing of the city along the provincial North-South highway, running from Verona to the Brenner Pass. These black and white dichotomist exhibition spaces are now used to display temporary exhibitions (in the black tunnel) and host events and meetings (in the white one).

First World War movies exhibition in the black tunnel will be specially open for Ecsite guests during the Farewell Party. On 46 big screens located along 300 meters of tunnel, the exhibition shows 12 hours of shots taken from films on this catastrophic event. The white tunnel will host the Farewell dancing party.

Kick off your high heels and tuxedos, and put on your dancing shoes for this dancing party.

Do not forget to take a jersey with you (temperature in the gallery could be cool).

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# ABOUT TRENTO

At the bottom of the Adige Valley, surrounded by mountains, Trento (117,000 inhabitants) is a city of arts and history, a place where Italian and central European culture meet. It is the city of the Catholic Church Council (1545 – 1563) whose traces are visible in the architecture of the old town. The Renaissance also left a strong mark on the urban landscape, with characteristic colours and architecture that make Trento unique in the entire Alpine arc.

Thanks to its geographical position, it has always been a gateway between Southern Europe and the German speaking world. Trento is an ideal place for visiting museums and exhibitions, castles and sanctuaries, wine cellars and typical restaurants, and also for enjoying archaeological, historical, and natural discoveries. Bike or mountain trails lead to beautiful lakes and gorgeous peaks.

Come and discover Northern Italy's place of great innovation, economic dynamism and social cohesion, ranked first Italian city for quality of life in 2014.

#### NOT TO BE MISSED PLACES IN TOWN

#### **Buonconsiglio Castle**

This former seat of the Trento Prince Bishops is now a magnificent palace hosting art exhibitions during the summer. Opening hrs.: 10.00 - 18.00 Tel. +39 0461 23 37 70 (closed on Mondays)

#### San Vigilio Cathedral

Centrally located on one of the most beautiful squares of Northern Italy, surrounded by houses decorated with frescoes, the Cathedral is worth a visit. Also discover its underground early Christian Basilica remains. Opening hrs.: 10.00 - 12.00 | 14.30 - 17.30 Tel. +39 0461 23 44 19 (closed on Mondays)

#### Tridentine Diocesan Museum

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Dedicated to the local history of the Church and the Council of Trento. Opening hrs.: 9.30 – 12.30 | 14.30 – 18.00 Tel. +39 0461 23 44 19 (closed on Mondays)



#### Gallerie di Piedicastello

Two reconverted road tunnels host exhibitions on the modern history of Trentino and its communities. Opening hrs.: 9.00 - 18.00 Tel. +39 0461 23 04 82 (closed on Mondays)

#### SASS: underground archaeological site

The ancient Roman city called Tridentum is located below Trento's Cesare Battisti square. It was the first settlement by Emperor Claudius in 46 A.C. Opening hrs: 9.30 - 13.00 | 14.00 - 18.00 Tel. +39 0461 23 01 71 (closed on Mondays)

#### Sardagna cable car

Overlook the whole Adige River valley, embrace the whole town from this ancient glacier terrace, and enjoy the thrill of a cable car lift up to 600m of altitude.

#### Monte Bondone

Just a few minutes away from the city, the mountain offers natural beauty, quiet & peaceful relaxing prairies and forests, as well as mountain trails, lakes, hang gliding and mountain bike trails for sport enthusiasts.

#### Guest card

Ask your accommodation for the Guest Card Trentino to get free entrance to museums, castles, nature parks and unlimited travel throughout the region by the Trentino Trasporti buses and trains for your entire staying. Guest Card Trentino is personal and non-transferable.

Guest Card Trentino allows you to taste the best local products directly at the producers' stores and all purchases enjoy a 10% discount. (check the list of associated shops).

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MUSE is the headquarter of a far-reaching network of museums and science dissemination centres around the Trento Province, and also contributes to community based research in Africa.

#### Gianni Caproni Air Museum

Founded in 1927 by engineer Gianni Caproni and his wife, the museum is the first Italian private company museum and the oldest air museum in the world. The current premise in Mattarello (3 km south of Trento) exhibits the world-famous collection of airplanes and historical mementoes collected by the Caproni family. Of the many notable pieces of the collection, nine are unique examples of historical airplanes.

#### Lake-Dwellings Museum of Lake Ledro

The eastern coast of Lake Ledro in Trentino is the location of very important archaeological findings. Several excavation campaigns during the last century revealed the remains of a lake-dwelling village dating back to the early-middle Bronze Age (2200 to 1350 B.C.). The area is UNESCO world heritage site since 2011.

#### Alpine Botanic Garden Viote di Monte Bondone

At 1,550m altitude the Botanic garden is one of the oldest and largest mountain flora gardens in the Alps. Today it nurtures more than 1,000 species of Alpine plants, especially medicinal plants and species of the red list of endangered plants. The seeds of the latter are preserved in a seed bank accessible to the international network of botanical gardens.

#### Terrace of the Stars Viote del Monte Bondone

The open air observatory, located on the Viote plateau on Monte Bondone, is the ideal venue to watch stars without light pollution. Powerful telescopes and specialized explainers give a clear image of our universe.

#### Limnological Station of Lake Tovel

The research station hosts yearly summer school camps for university students, educational activities for schools and public engagement events.

#### Geological Museum of Dolomites - Predazzo

The Dolomites are included in the UNESCO world heritage site list for their uniqueness and beauty. The geology of these mountains is illustrated in this museum with a comprehensive selection of local paleontological samples and many minerals.

#### Udzungwa Ecological Monitoring Centre, Tanzania

Established in the Udzungwa Mountains National Park of Tanzania in 2006, this centre is part of a nature conservation programme MUSE has been conducting in Tanzania for more than 12 years. The mission of this centre is to support the National Park in the development of biodiversity monitoring and environmental education programmes for primary schools. Moreover the centre runs the first African site of a pan-tropical network of research stations for the standardized monitoring of biodiversity. The Centre includes living quarters for researchers, an office and resources for assisting research activities, a large hall for seminars and a hostel for conducting high education courses on tropical biodiversity, aimed at local and international scholars.



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#### HOW TO REACH TRENTO

Special airbus shuttle will be organized from Milano Malpensa, Venice Marco Polo, Verona Catullo and Bergamo Orio al Serio airports on 9 and 10 June 2015. On 14 June there will be a transfer from Trento back to the same airports. We highly recommend you to consider this direct connection to Trento and to book your seat on <u>www.</u> discovertrento.it

#### HOW TO REACH MUSE

MUSE is located in Corso del Lavoro e della Scienza 3, close to the city centre, just 10 minutes walk from Piazza del Duomo.

#### BY CAR

If you arrive by car from A22 motorway, exit at TRENTO SUD (south), take the first exit of the roundabout "tutte le direzioni", cross the bridge, take the 5<sup>th</sup> exit of the roundabout direction (city centre). Exit at "exit 4", get the 3rd exit of the roundabout, turn to the right and continue along via Sanseverino until the museum.

An underground car parking is available at MUSE ( $\oplus$  1 /h). There is a free car park in the vicinity, "Monte Baldo" (400 meters to the south). **238** 

#### **BY TRAIN**

If you travel by train get off at TRENTO STATION. You can then either take a bus, a taxi or walk to MUSE.

#### **BY BUS from the railway station** In front of the railway station take one of the following frequent lines: 2 - 4 - 12 - 13 - 14 and get off at second stop Rosmini Cemetery / MUSE. Few step further, turn right in the cemetery alley and pass under the railway. You can buy tickets in the train station lobby (single fare € 1.20, one day ticket € 3.00).

BY FOOT from the railway station The museum is about 1.5 km south from the train station. Exit the main hall, take the right and pass the first traffic light. Turn right, cross the rails flyover. At the roundabout turn left along the river. Proceed along Via Sanseverino for about 1 km.

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

#### Meeting rooms

Two meeting rooms called Networking rooms will be available for participants at Trento Fiere. If you would like to schedule a meeting with your partners, do not hesitate to book a room. You can do that in advance by sending an email to Ecsite at **info@ecsite.eu**.

#### Upload room

The upload room is located in MUSE at +2 floor.

#### Join Twitter

Follow us on Twitter and join the conversation by using the hashtag #Ecsite2015 and each room's hashtag.

#### Hotline

For all your questions during the conference the hotline number is +39 320 92 24 757.

#### **REGISTRATION DESKS**

Registration desks will be set up in MUSE's fover.

They will be open as follows:

Tuesday	08.00 to 17.30
Wednesday	08.30 to 17.30
Thursday	08.00 to 18.00
Friday	08.30 to 17.30
Saturday	08.30 to 17.00

Thursday morning is likely to be the busiest time. If you can, register at another time to avoid queues.

# LOCATIONS

#### ECSITE CONFERENCE LOCATIONS

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MUSE – Pre-conference, Main Conference and Nocturne MUSE is located in Corso del Lavoro e della Scienza, 3. See the previous page to see how to get here. THE REGISTRATION DESK IS LOCATED AT MUSE Corso del Lavoro e della Scienza 3, Trento, Italy



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Trento Fiere – Main Conference and Business Bistro The building is a 2 min walk from MUSE. *Via di Briamasco, 2, Trento, Italy* 

#### Sala Depero – Speakers' Reception

In the city centre in front of the railway station in the Local government headquarter (Palazzo della Provincia autonoma di Trento). *Piazza Dante 15, Trento, Italy* 

#### Cantine Rotari – Gala Dinner

Mezzocorona. This location is 16 km north of Trento. Shuttle buses to the venue depart at 19.30 from MUSE front door, and return to town from 23.30.

Via Tonale 110 - SS 43 Val di Non, San Michele all'Adige, Trento, Italy

#### Gallerie di Piedicastello - Farewell Party

The site is located a 15 min walk from MUSE. (Bus number 6) *Piazza di Piedicastello, Trento, Italy* 







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# ECSITE: **ABOUT US**

#### **ABOUT ECSITE**

Ecsite is the European network of science centres and museums. with 380 members in more than 50 countries who connect and engage with over 40 million people per year. Ecsite links science centres, science and natural history museums. zoos, aquaria, universities and research organisations in Europe who participate as active members sharing a strong commitment to public engagement and the communication of science through accessible, interactive exhibits and programmes.

Ecsite promotes public engagement of science and technology by facilitating cooperation among science centres, museums and related institutions throughout Europe. In this spirit, we strengthen citizen's engagement and interaction with science. We are the European focal point for institutions who wish to take action in the field of science communication

#### **KEY OFFERINGS FOR** ECSITE MEMBERS

#### **Ecsite Annual Conference**

Ecsite members send delegates at a reduced fee to the largest European science engagement conference, gathering 1,000 professionals.

#### Pan-European projects

Ecsite is involved in up to a dozen EU-funded projects, championing science engagement and developing tools that benefit all. Members regularly gain access to projects through Ecsite.

#### Ecsite Directors Forum

Open to Directors and Senior staff of Full member organisations. this intimate low-key event offers strategic insights and an unrivalled networking scene.

#### **Ecsite magazine Spokes**

A selection of features, trends, insiders news and happenings compiled and deciphered by Ecsite - also broadcasting members' news to a worldwide audience

#### JOIN OR PARTNER UP

Ecsite welcomes organisations in the field of science engagement, be they public or private, non-profit or commercial. Different membership packages are available - see www. ecsite.eu for more information and the online application form or email info@ecsite.eu with questions.

Ecsite also offers a range of partnerships and sponsorships, as well as advertisement options. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Business Development Manager Pedro Albuquerque at palbuquerque@ecsite.eu.

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#### MECHELEN DECLARATION

# MECHELEN DECLARATION

Ecsite was one of the eight science centres networks to sign the Mechelen Declaration at the Science Center World Summit at Technopolis® in Mechelen (Belgium) on 19 March 2014. Discover this forward-looking agenda for science centres around the world.

#### Introduction

The leaders of science centres and museums from 58 countries around the world came together at the Science Centre World Summit, in Mechelen, Belgium from March 17-19, 2014. This high-level international gathering of 443 attendees built upon the contributions of the previous six World Congress meetings held since 1996 on different continents. During this Summit, science centre leaders met with global policy makers, scientists and leading business representatives to exchange ideas about science, public engagement with science and the role that science communication and science centres should play in our rapidly changing society. With a continuing commitment to impact, the science centre field puts forward this Declaration as a worldwide action plan.

Since 1996, there has been a marked increase in the number of sciencebased public policy issues in areas such as climate and energy, pandemic disease, digital privacy and research. Public engagement with science has increased, and the digital revolution that has radically changed our relationship with technology has created new modes of communication and learning. Science centres have shown a remarkable range of diverse responses, adapting to local contexts, responding to community needs and reflecting policies of inclusiveness. Governments, scientific enterprises, international institutions, multinational corporations and the education field all recognise that citizen engagement in current global scientific and technological issues is crucial to the advancement, prosperity and welfare of everyone. Nearly 3 000 science centres worldwide are spearheading hands-on, enquiry-based learning, and have achieved a high trust rating among their more than 310 million annual participants. Increasingly, science centres are moving beyond the traditional hands-on exploration of scientific phenomena. Many centres are engaging with their





audiences in the dialogues that address global challenges, and equipping them to become active players within their communities - thereby helping to achieve the current Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations, and the Sustainable Development Goals to be launched in 2015.

#### Science Centre World Impact

Considerable progress in our field has been made since the World Congress in 2011. Numerous new science centres have been established especially in Africa, Latin America, around the Mediterranean, in Eastern Europe and in Asia - with increased attention to local context, indigenous knowledge and diverse audiences. There are many more examples of increased dialogue between scientists and the general public, through which public opinions on science and technology can be heard and incorporated into decision-making. People are now better able to comment on science investment and policy development processes, and are encouraged and educated to make active commitments to solving global and regional problems. A significant increase in the extent to which science centres have promoted creativity, invention and innovation has led to more sustainable lifestyles.

#### The Science Centre World Summit 2014

There has been an unprecedented development of partnerships, promoting science awareness and engagement across cultural, political, economic and geographical boundaries. Stronger collaborations have now been created with formal education, the arts, business, policy makers and media worldwide. The Science Centre World Summit 2014 provided the opportunity to continue this process, to retool existing partnerships and to build new collaborative efforts with shared visions for the future. It was a valuable occasion for addressing the challenges presented by continually changing multifaceted circumstances for both science centres and partners. The 2014 Summit worked to convince more policy makers, scientists, global companies and multinational institutions of the importance of collaborations with science centres throughout the world. Such collaborations will be steps towards the common goal of bridging the gap between citizens and science

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and technology, and thus to resolving many global problems. Science centres are not simply places where visitors have nice learning experiences or a great time on a rainy afternoon; they are unique institutions that transform the way in which people of all ages think and act. Reinforcing the collaborations will advance issues related to the public engagement with science and technology at a higher strategic level than before. At the same time, these partnerships will create a climate in which all parties support one another's messages and tasks.



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Sky-Skan Europe GmbH Osterseenstrasse 2 82402 Seeshaupt GERMANY +49 (8801) 91594-0 sse0skyskan.com Therefore science centres, worldwide, and their partners commit to these goals toward the future:

We will ...

 Investigate how to engage even more effectively with local communities and increasingly diverse audiences, and keep the focus on gender differences in engagement.

 Continue taking actions that have a positive global impact and that will make people everywhere more aware of the opportunities that science and technology hold for the sustainable advancement of humankind.

Draw the attention of decision makers and the media to the essential role of public engagement with science and technology by setting up high-profile global activities.

4. Endeavour to leverage the position of science centres as "trusted" places to introduce the public to new technological solutions and sustainable technologies, and to broaden the potential use of these solutions.

5. Take the lead in developing the best methods for engaging learners and optimizing their education in both formal and informal settings using appropriate technologies in widely varying contexts.

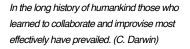
6. Engage the public more directly with research, using this engagement to help empower people, broaden attitudes and ensure that the work of universities and research institutions is relevant to society and to wider social concerns on a global scale.

7. Work together in a creative celebration of the International Science Centre Year 2019, encouraging people throughout the world to take part in shared experiences relating to science and technology and society.





# 2016 ECSITE ANNUAL CONFERENCE



ECSITE AC 2016 DATE

9-11 June 2016

#### HOSTS

FRida & freD Children's Museum, Joanneum Universal Museum, Association Science Center Network – Graz (Austria)

THEME Colours of Cooperation

This conference is the first to be organized as a cooperation of three partners, with colourful contributions of the Austrian-wide network.

The 2016 Ecsite Annual Conference invites you to look at the diversity and nuances of cooperation and at the colouring they show when seen through various filters. With whom do we cooperate, how do we choose these people, why do we cooperate and what do we invest and gain with this type of cooperation? Cooperation requires respectful relationships, negotiations, mutual expectations and roles, agreement on compromises. It is often a time-consuming and laborious effort, yet it can yield benefits that an individual actor could not achieve on its own and may lead to unexpected results and learnings.

Colours can be light or dark, glaring or muted, they can clash or harmonize and be mixed into endless new combinations. Our community is diverse, representing many colours and shades of science communication. Do we showcase a bright picture of science or do we allow mixed or even muddy colours? Partners from the arts community will inspire us to creatively use colours to generate new ideas and encourage us to view our work in variegated lights.

Let us use this conference:

 to cooperatively work on topics and common goals while strengthening our individual hue.

 to enjoy the city of Graz because no other city offers so much variety packed into such a small space, together with a touch of sunny southern flair: futuristic architecture alongside medieval houses, alleys and squares, colourful farmer markets, cultural and culinary treats on every corner.

 to discover cultural treasures ranging from the oldest Austrian museum through the friendly arty alien to the vibrant children's museum.

to interact with the public and establish networking in action.

 to experience Austrian hospitality and what "everybody waltz!" means for the whole Ecsite community.



# colours of cooperation

**Ecsite Annual Conference** Graz, Austria, 9–11 June 2016

#### Hosted by

FRida & freD Children`s Museum Joanneum Universal Museum Association ScienceCenter-Network

Stay till Sunday to participate in "Ecsite for all" with the public!

# TUESDAYWEDNESDAYJUNE 9JUNE 10PRE-CONFERENCEPRE-CONFERENCEWORKSHOPSWORKSHOPS

# THURSDAY JUNE 11

CONFERENCE

0	09.00 - 17.30	09.00 - 17.30
MOZZARELLA	INNOVATE OR DIE	SHAPE THE FUTURE OF NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUMS
PARMIGIANO	DEVELOP A FUNDRAISING STRATEGY	MARKETING STRATEGIES ON A SMALL BUDGET
MACCHERONI	MAKE ENGINEERING PART OF YOUR PROGRAMME	SET UP AND RUN A MAKER SPACE
CHIANTI	SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS/RESEARCH AND PRACTICE	SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS/RESEARCH AND PRACTICE
RISOTTO	SPACE FOR LIFE - DEVELOP AND SHARE RESOURCES	SPACE FOR LIFE - DEVELOP AND SHARE RESOURCES
RAVIOLI	CREATE EXPLAINERS PROGRAMMES FOR THE OUTDOORS	

10.00 - 10.15	10.00 - 10.15
COFFEE BREAK AT MUSE +2 FLOOR	COFFEE BREAK AT MUSE +2 FLOOR
13.00 - 14.00	13.00 - 14.00
LUNCH AT MUSE +2 FLOOR	LUNCH AT MUSE +2 FLOOR
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AT MUSE +2 FLOOR	COFFEE BREAK AT MUSE +2 FLOOR
16.00 - 20.00	14.00 - 17.30
ECSITE BOARD MEETING	ECSITE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) IN THE AUDITORIUM: PIZZA
EVENING	EVENING
20.30	18.30 - 20.30
ECSITE BOARD DINNER (ON INVITATION)	SPEAKERS RECEPTION (ON INVITATION)
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0	OPENING	11.15 - 12.30	13.45 - 15.15	16.00 - 17.30
<b>O</b> Pizza		WHAT'S NEW IN TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS I	WHAT'S NEW IN TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS II	SCIENCE POPULARISATION EVENTS
<b>O</b> TIRAMISÙ		CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS - MAKE THEM ATTRACTIVE	PLANNING AND BUDGETING CUSTOMER SERVICES	WHAT ROLE FOR PLANETARIUMS IN SCIENCE CENTRES?
GELATO		HANDS-ON "SCIENCE CAPITAL" WORKSHOP	SHOULD WE PAY THE JOURNALISTS?	SCIENCE COM- MUNICATION AT THE DINNER TABLE
CAFFÈ		FOOD AS A WAY INTO HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND MEDICINE	INVOLVING STAKEHOLDERS IN EXHIBITION MAKING	THE HIGHS AND LOWS OF OPENING A NEW SCIENCE CENTRE
<b>O</b> RISOTTO		PARTNERSHIPS - SOCIETAL AND FINANCIAL NEEDS	FOSTERING (VERY) EARLY LEARNING	DEALING WITH DIFFICULT SCIENCE
RAVIOL		LANGUAGE MATTERS - WHY?	ACTIVITIES TO PICK YOUR BRAIN - GRAND BAZAAR	INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSES
MOZZARELLA		A LEARNING RESEARCH AGENDA	SHARING EVA- LUATION AND REFLECTIVE MU- SEUM PRACTICE	
MACCHERONI		SPACE TECHNOLOGIES TO PROTECT FOOD SUPPLIES	AND CONS	NATURAL HIS- TORY MUSEUMS AND SCIENCE CENTRES
SPAGHETTI	•	I HAVE A MAKER SPACE! WHAT DO I DO NOW?	OPEN MAKE - TOOLS FOR TINKERING	IS MAKING FOR EVERYONE?
		GAMELAB	GAMELAB	GAMELAB
	8.00 - 9.00 NEWCOMERS' BREAKFAST (ON REGISTR.) AT MUSE CAFÉ 0 9.30 - 10.30 OPENING CEREMONY IN THE AUDITORIUM: IN 227A 10.30 - 11.15 BUSINESS BISTRO OPENING	12.30 - 13.45 LUNCH OUTSIDE THE BUSINESS BISTRO	15.15 - 16.00 COFFEE BREAK IN THE BUSINESS BISTRO	EVENING 19.30 - 00.00 GALA DINNER SHUTTLE BUSES TO THE VENUE DEPART VENUE DEPART MUSE FRONT DOOR, AND DOOR, AND DOOR, AND TOWN STARTING AT 23.30.

FRIDAY **JUNE 12** 

#### CONFERENCE

0		09.00 - 10.15	12.00 - 13.15	14.30 - 15.45	16.30 - 18.00
٥	PZZA	FUTURE VISIONS FOR SCIENCE CENTRES	LESSONS LEARNT FROM EXPLAINERS TRAINING SCHEMES		NO EXHIBITION NEEDS TO BE BORING
0	TIRAMISÙ	SOCIAL INCLUSION - A FASHIONABLE TREND?	CAN SCIENCE CENTRES BE POWERBRANDS?	DO EXPERTS KILL CURIOSITY?	MAINTAINING TEENAGE SCIENCE ENGAGEMENT
٢	GELATO	MAKING OBJECTS SPEAK	REDEFINING SCIENCE CENTRES	HUMAN BODY EXHIBITIONS AND SCIENCE CENTRES	THE IMPACT OF SCIENCE CENTRES
٥	CAFFÈ	MAKING YOUR OWN TOURING EXHIBITION	MULTIMEDIA SYSTEMS FOR VISITOR ORIENTATION	COMBINING INFORMAL AND FORMAL SCIENCE EDUCATION	PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH
٥	RISOTTO	THE 21ST CENTURY NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM	QUESTIONING ORGANISATIO- NAL STRATEGIES	VISITOR TRACKING AND MOBILE TECHNOLOGIES	MOTIVATING PEOPLE TO IDENTIFY WITH SCIENCE
0	RAVIOLI	STRATEGIES TO ENGAGE TEENAGERS	BRACE YOURSELF, PREPARE FOR IMMERSION!	BUILDING YOUR AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN	AWAKENING VOCATIONS IN SCIENCE CENTRES
0	MOZZAFELLA	HUMOUR IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION	PREPARING SCIENTISTS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUTH	HUMAN RESOURCES FOR SCIENCE CENTRES	DISTILLING MA- KER FAIRE CRAZE INTO LONG TERM PROJECTS
٥	MACCHERONI	CHILDREN AS EXPERTS	LEARNING FROM TOYS	CRAFTING A SUCCESSFUL SESSION PROPOSAL	EXCHANGING IDEAS BY EXCHANGING PEOPLE
0	SPAGHETTI	MAKING AND TINKERING RESEARCH SHARE-OUT	REPAIR, RECYCLE, REMAKE, RETHINK	OPEN MAKE - PLAYING WITH FOOD	MAKER SPACE - HACKING THE INSTITUTION
0	LASAGNE	GAMELAB	GAMELAB	GAMELAB	GAMELAB
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	:	10.30 - 11.30	13.15 - 14.30	15.45 - 16.30	18.15 - 19.15
	•	KEYNOTE ANDREA ILLY IN THE AUDITORIUM: PIZZA	LUNCH OUTSIDE THE BUSINESS BISTRO	COFFEE BREAK IN THE BUSINESS BISTRO	HAPPY HOUR IN THE BUSINESS BISTRO
	:	11.30 - 12.00		POSTER PROJECT	EVENING
		COFFEE BREAK IN THE BUSINESS		SHOWCASE IN THE BUSINESS	20.00 - 00.00
	:	BISTRO		BISTRO	AT MUSE

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# SATURDAY JUNE 13

CONFERENCE

0		09.00 - 10.15	12.00 - 13.15	14.30 - 15.45	16.30 - 18.00
0	PIZZA	PRESENTING WASTE IN A NEW LIGHT	INTO THE WILD - SCIENCE CENTRES AND ACTIVISM	USING FOOD TO SHOW SCIENTIFIC PROCESSES	OPEN STAGE
0	TIRAMISÙ	A WAKE-UP CALL FOR LEARNING RESEARCH AND PRACTICE!	EXPERIMENTS IN SCIENTIFIC CO-CREATION	KITCHEN LABS AND EDIBLE SCIENCE	BRINGING HOT ISSUES TO SCIENCE CENTRES BEFORE THEYCHILL
٢	GELATO	A SAMPLE OF SCIENTIFIC FOOD EXHIBITIONS	SCIENCE AND THE CITIES 2020	DIGITAL GUIDING TOOLS IN SCIENCE MUSEUMS	IS THE SCIENCE CENTRE EXPERI- ENCE THE SAME IN ALL COUNTRIES?
0	CAFFÈ	BARRIER-FREE AND ACCESSIBLE EXHIBITIONS	THE NEW FUSION - REAL OBJECTS IN DIGITAL CONTEXTS	EXHIBITION REVIEWS - SHALL WE GIVE UP ON MEDIA?	FORMING OPINION - BUT HOW?
0	RISOTTO	THE FUTURE OF CITIZEN SCIENCE	BUILDING OR BRINGING IN COMMUNITIES	MULTIDISCIPLINA- RY PROGRAMMING IN SCIENCE MUSEUMS	TRANSFORMING SCIENCE CEN- TRES THROUGH INNOVATION
0	RAVIOLI	INTER- GENERATIONAL DIALOGUE IN SCIENCE CENTRES	PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WITH SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY	SELF-GUIDED EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOLS	DESIGNING LEAR- NING SPACES - RECIPES FOR SUCCESS
0	MOZZARBLA	COMPETITIONS FOR SCHOOLS - WIN, LOSE, OR DRAW?	PARTICIPATORY PRACTICES IN SCIENCE CENTRES	CHANGING SOCIETY - NEW RECIPES FOR SCIENCE CENTRES	DIGITAL POSSIBILITIES - A NEW BLEND
0	MACCHERONI	LINKING VISITORS' MOTIVATIONS AND THEIR EXPERIENCES	NEW SERVICES ON THE HORIZON	CITIZEN SCIENCE - REFLECTING ON PROCESSES	THE VIEW FROM THE FLOOR
0	SPAGHETTI	FAILURES IN THE MAKER SPACE	OPEN MAKE RECIPES FOR ART AND SCIENCE	META-MAKING - TECHNOLOGY CHANGING THE WAY WE MAKE	CLOSED
	•	10.30 - 11.30	13.15- 14.30	15.45 - 16.30	18.15 - 19.00
		KEYNOTE TRISTRAM STUART IN THE AUDITORIUM: PIZZA	LUNCH OUTSIDE THE BUSINESS BISTRO	COFFEE BREAK IN THE BUSINESS BISTRO	THE CLOSING & HANDOVER MUSE FRONT GARDEN
		11.30 - 12.00			
		COFFEE BREAK IN THE BUSINESS BISTRO			21.00 - 02.00 FAREWELL PARTY (ON REGISTRATION)
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