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LERU Doctoral Summer School 2017

- Place:** University of Zurich, Swiss
- Time:** 9-14 July 2017
- Topic:** “Citizen science – science and public participation in the digital age”
- Theme:** Citizen Science
The Summer School is focused on the involvement of non-professional scientists in research. Activities range from small-scale local projects, largely with layperson participation, to large-scale international projects, which may involve professional scientists and research institutions. Though laypersons have been actively assisting in scientific discovery to varying degrees for centuries, in our current digital age, citizen science is experiencing a boom thanks to rapidly developing technologies made available to a wider public. Citizen science is a phenomenon that is multilayered and comes in many hues. However, many questions remain unanswered, such as legal, ethical, commercial and privacy issues.
- Who can attend?** Outstanding doctoral candidates
from all academic disciplines and various cultural backgrounds
- being keenly motivated to work on the topic,
 - being preferably well-advanced with their doctoral project and
 - being fluent in written and spoken English
- Costs:** 500,- Euro including the course, course materials, accommodation in Zurich for five nights and meals
and up to 200,- Euro (travel expenses)
both will be funded by IGA
- Program:** The programme will include a range of activities designed to facilitate learning and skill development, including **workshops, plenary sessions and networking opportunities**. In addition participants will also engage hands-on in a citizen science hack day and present their projects to a jury. The summer school will include short training workshops on project management and science communication.