



Matchmaking Event for 2026 Cluster 2 calls

Flash Presentation session
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Speakers order

01. **Necmettin Mutlu** - Küçükçekmece Municipality

02. **Rodica-Mariana Ion** - University Valahia of Targoviste

03. **Nikos Kritsinelis** – KMOP

04. **Mahmoud Farag** - Charles University in Prague

05. **Natassa Stylianou** – Panayi - C.I.P. Citizens In Power

06. **Ali Nikoukar** - My3PAI

07. **Tomislav Vodička** - Institute for Migration Research

08. **Shuna Ho** - University College Dublin

09. **Halil Ecer** - Muş Alparslan University

10. **Francisco Yépez Muñoz** - Universidad de Cádiz

11. **Nicoleta Capbun** - BEIA Consult International

12. **Subilaga Kalanje** - Haute Ecole Pédagogique Vaud

13. **Cheng Siew Goh** - Northumbria University

14. **Cem Mutlu Turkseven** - Giresun Governorship

15. **Filip Blažek** - Academy of Arts Architecture and Design in Prague

16. **Natasha Lushetich** - University of the West of England

17. **Sotiris Themistokleous** - Center for Social Innovation

18. **Umair ul Hassan** - University of Galway

19. **Lorentz Jäntschi** - Technical University of Cluj-Napoca

20. **Martin Blackwell** - Norwich Business Improvement District

21. **Fabiana Spadetta** – Mediavoice

22. **Vika Kardava** - Sokhumi State University

23. **Michael Walsh** – CopyMama

24. **Agata Wiśniewska** - PCG Polska

25. **Inna Lisniak** - Estonian Literary Museum

26. **Ángela Freiría López** – Gradient

27. **Marta Duda-Sikuła** - Łukasiewicz-PORT

28. **Jevgenija Jerochina-Labanauskiene** - Vilnius College of Design

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GOV-TRANSIT **Government in Transition**

How can governments become data-driven and future-ready?

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-03

Dr. Necmettin Mutlu
Küçükçekmece Municipality – Istanbul,
Türkiye

Our expertise /project idea

- ▶ GOV-TRANSIT transforms how public administrations work in a data-driven and complex governance environment.

We develop and pilot a Strategic Management Information System (SMIS) as a catalyst for institutional transformation, not just digitalisation.

Our focus:

- Data-driven and anticipatory governance
- Organisational change and institutional redesign
- Civil service competencies for the future

Küçükçekmece Municipality (Istanbul, Türkiye) provides a real-life municipal testing environment:

- Complex urban governance context (800,000 residents)
- Direct involvement of civil servants and public service units
- Capacity for real-life pilot implementation and validation

We generate practical, scalable and policy-relevant solutions for public administration reform.

Topics of interest

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-03 – Government in transition

We provide a real-life municipal testing environment for institutional transformation and data-driven governance.

Related interests:

- Public administration reform and institutional transformation
- Data-driven and anticipatory governance
- Digital transformation in the public sector
- Civil service skills and future competencies
- Evidence-based policymaking

Our contribution includes:

- Experience in developing strategic management and decision-support systems
- Capacity to pilot and validate Strategic Management Information Systems (SMIS)
- Access to a complex urban governance context (800,000 residents)
- Direct involvement of civil servants and public service units
- Strong experience in EU-funded projects and stakeholder coordination

We contribute to pilot implementation, policy labs, co-creation processes and the translation of research into practical governance solutions.

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Open for collaboration on data-driven governance and public sector transformation.

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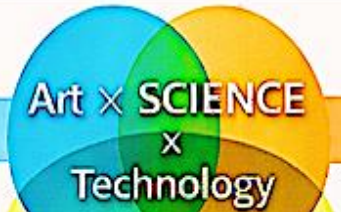
Prof. Rodica-Mariana ION
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My expertise /project idem



VALAHIA University of Târgoviște: cultural heritage, integrating materials science, advanced archaeometry techniques, and digital technologies for the characterization, conservation, and valorisation of built heritage, compatible innovative materials, 3D digital reconstructions, and with collaborations (<https://fimmr.valahia.ro/STUCCO-MAT.html/rezultate.html>). <https://icechim.ro/en/rd-groups/g11-evaluation-and-conservation-of-cultural-heritage/>; <https://icechim.ro/project/687ped-eng/>)

My expertise



Interdisciplinary frameworks

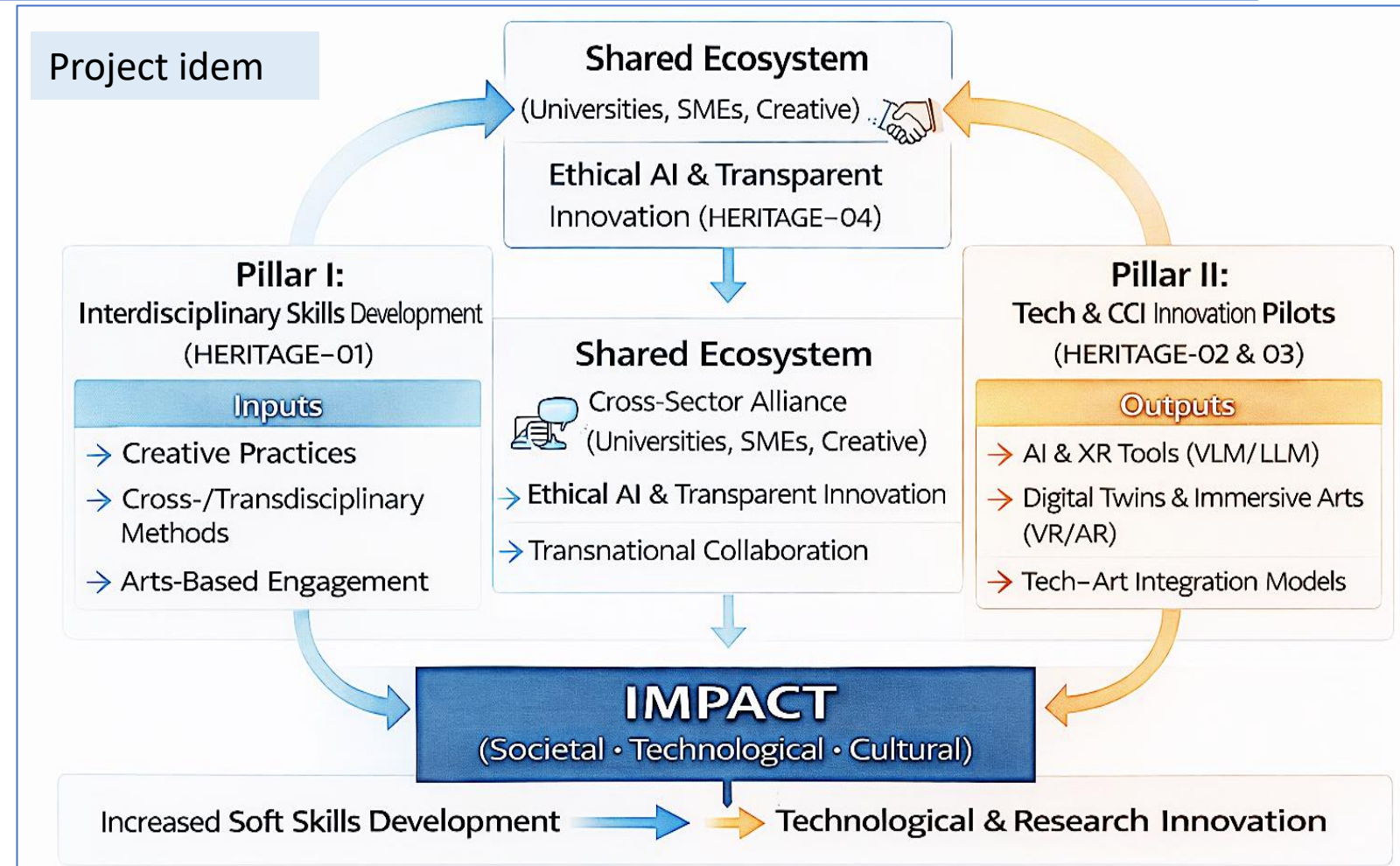
Hirsch Index 41;
Ph.D/supervisor; 375 publications (Web of Science);
Listed in top 2% of scientists worldwide (Stanford University ranking).

Materials Engineering
Cultural Heritage Conservation

Digital Technologies

- Nanomaterials for conservation treatments
- 3D reconstruction (VR/AR, 3D laser scan)
- Physico-chemical diagnosis (stucco, façades)

Digital Technologies



Topics of interest



Proposal title: Artistic Intelligence and Materials-Driven Innovation in Cultural and Creative Industries for Architectural Monuments

Artistic intelligence: art-science-technology as a catalyst for innovation / Materials and Digital Heritage Technologies / transformation of Cultural and Creative Industries into resilient, inclusive, and competitive ecosystems aligned with Horizon Europe Cluster 2 priorities.

Involvement in previous/ongoing projects in the area:

***SD-WHISHES:** Supporting and Developing Widening Strategies to tackle Hydroclimatic Extreme Events: impacts and Sustainable solutions for cultural heritage*

UNESCO UNITWIN Network Heritage Preservation, Science, Communication for Sustainable Communities

The topics of interest

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-01: “Artistic intelligence” : harnessing the power of the arts to address complex challenges, enhance soft skills and boost innovation and competitiveness

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-02: Boosting creative start-ups for disruptive innovation

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-03: AI integration in CCSI work practice: catalysing innovation and competitiveness

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04: Towards a fair and transparent market for cultural and creative content in the era of generative AI

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-05: Creative alliances: Fostering global partnerships in cultural policies and CCI innovation



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David Lowenthal: *„Conservation is not just an anchor in the past, a bridge from the past to the future, a catalyst for sustainable economic development.”*: ➡ the importance of investing in heritage as an economic strategy, not just as a cultural endeavor.

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Nikos Kritsinelis



Our expertise /project idea

KMOP, operating in **Athens, Brussels and the Western Balkans**, brings **50 years of experience** in community-based support, mental health, ageing-related vulnerability, stakeholder engagement and policy uptake. We connect **comparative LTC policy analysis** with the lived realities of **care users, families, informal carers, frontline providers and local authorities**. KMOP is the **Coordinator** of “**BENEFITS**” (HORIZON-CL2-2024-TRANSFORMATIONS-01-04).

CAREPATHS addresses a key EU policy gap in long-term care: Europe has growing descriptive evidence and projections, but still **limited evidence on which reforms have actually improved outcomes**. The project will assess LTC systems in 15 Member States, **evaluate selected reforms, model future needs** and funding to 2070, and **turn findings into practical policy packages**. Its focus will be on affordability, accessibility, quality, workforce, integrated care, informal care transitions, digital support, and territorial inequalities

Partners Sought

- LTC policy and systems experts with strong country-level knowledge.
- Organisations with access to administrative or comparative social policy data.
- Public authorities, regional actors, care providers, and stakeholder networks for validation and uptake.
- Partners with expertise in demographic modelling, workforce analysis, integrated care, digital tools, and informal care

The consortium is currently **under development** and is being shaped around complementary strengths in long-term care policy, comparative research, modelling, impact evaluation and policy uptake.

Topics of interest

Main topic:

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-09

Additional topics:

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-03, 07, TRANSFO-03, 04, 08

KMOP is a **research-oriented CSO** with long-standing experience in **social inclusion, education, mental health, migration, child and family support, community engagement and EU policy uptake**. Across these Cluster 2 topics, KMOP can act as a **field-based SSH** partner, bridging comparative research with vulnerable groups, practitioners, public authorities and policy-relevant outputs. These are aligned with the topics' emphasis on **government innovation, post-conflict democratic reconstruction, child poverty and ECEC, digital tools' impact on education and mental health, and the implementation of the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum** with a focus on inclusion, integration and health.

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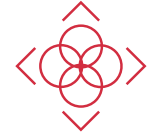
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Pitch Session, 2 June 2026

SUBDEMO – Subnational Democratic Resilience in Post-Conflict Societies

Dr. Mahmoud Farag
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Charles University in Prague



SUBDEMO – Subnational Democratic Resilience in Post-Conflict Societies

- ▶ **Puzzle:** Why does democratic resilience vary sharply across subnational regions during the reconstruction phases following armed conflict?
- ▶ **Two Gaps:** 1) A unified theory to explain subnational democratic resilience. 2) A systematic, cross-regional empirical examination.
- ▶ **Objective:** The SUBDEMO project explains why some localities manage to consolidate inclusive, democratic governance and resist national concentration and personalization of executive power, while others relapse into violence, exclusion and repression.
- ▶ **Methods:** Statistical analysis, GIS, field experiments, elite interviews, surveys and case studies + subnational democracy index since 2000 in five cases (see next slide).
- ▶ **Approach:** Participatory, practice-based research involving local civil society organizations working with conflict-affected populations.



SUBDEMO – Subnational Democratic Resilience in Post-Conflict Societies

- ▶ **Structure: 13 partners** with Charles University (Coordinator) + 5 universities + 2 think tanks/research centers + 5 NGOs in the below countries.
- ▶ **Cases:** Ethiopia, Iraq, Peru, Sri Lanka & Ukraine.
- ▶ **Our expertise:** Highest ranking university across Widening countries + research tradition in studying global regions since 19th century + an extensive network of local contacts across regions.
- ▶ **Relevant ongoing project:** ERA-AREAS 2025–2030 (ERA Chairs, Horizon Europe).
- ▶ **Call for partners:** Universities or think tanks/research centers interested in subnational democratic resilience in post-conflict societies **and/or** expertise in any of the five cases mentioned above.

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CIVIC-LIFE : Strengthening Democratic Participation through Citizenship Education in VET and Adult Learning

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09 — Citizenship education as part of lifelong learning

Call Deadline: 23 September 2026

Our expertise /project idea



Project main idea: CIVIC-LIFE builds the civic learning frameworks, longitudinal evidence, and policy reform tools that VET and adult education systems across Europe currently lack.

CIP Expertise

- Extensive experience in EU-funded projects (Erasmus+, CERV, Horizon Europe, AMIF) focused on civic education, democratic participation, and social inclusion.
- Proven track record in dissemination, exploitation, and communication; leading WP8 (Dissemination) in CIVIC-LIFE.
- Established civil society and practitioner networks across Europe, ensuring targeted outreach to policymakers, educators, and marginalised communities.
- Expertise in co-designing participatory learning tools, digital media literacy resources, and civic engagement curricula for VET and adult education.

Project Objectives

-  **SO1** Address the absence of citizenship education from Vocational Education and Training and Adult learning systems across Europe
-  **SO2** Intersectional analysis of barriers to democratic participation for marginalised groups
-  **SO3** Fill the gap left by prior EU-funded research and apply a comparative mixed-methods design across European countries
-  **SO4** Pilots interventions in real VET and adult education institutions across partner countries
-  **SO5** Integrate both digital approaches and non-digital, person-to-person and intergenerational methods

Topics of interest



Consortium Structure (9 partners, 8 countries)

- Research universities (×3) political science, education research, survey methodology
- VET network + adult education organisation 24 pilot sites, educator communities
- Civil society NGOs (×2) civic participation, disability inclusion, migrant rights
- Education technology partner civic tech, digital literacy platform
- Policy research institute EU/national ministry liaison

Previous/Ongoing Projects

- Erasmus+ KA2 projects on civic education, democratic values, and social inclusion for youth and adults across Europe.
- CERV programme projects promoting EU values, citizens' engagement, and rights awareness.
- AMIF-funded initiatives supporting migrant integration through education and community participation.
- Horizon Europe / H2020 research on digital literacy, disinformation resilience, and participatory governance.

Topics of Interest

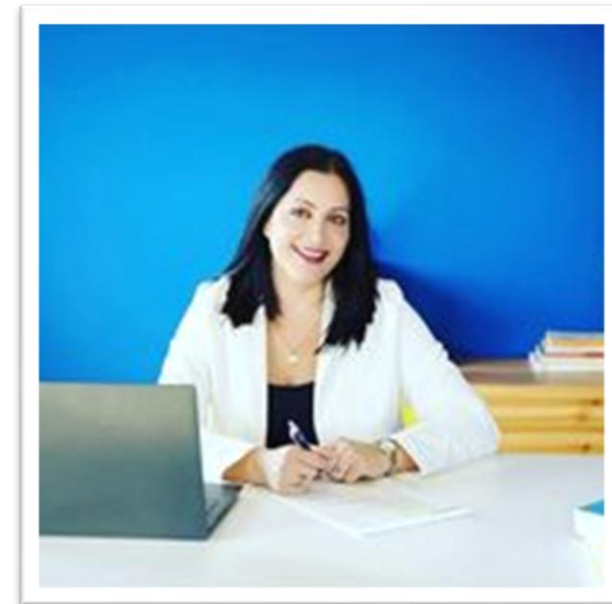
- Citizenship education in VET & adult learning
- Democratic participation & civic engagement
- Digital media literacy & countering disinformation
- Civic technology for democratic inclusion
- Intersectional barriers to participation (migrants, PwD, low-education adults, rural communities)
- Lifelong learning policy & governance

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My3PAI: Trusted Agentic AI for Sustainable Cultural Tourism Marketplaces



Project idea for 2026 Horizon Europe Cluster 2 calls

AI assisted creator marketplace and agentic travel planning platform
Ali Nikoukar, CEO | My3PAI | SME | Estonia, Germany

Our expertise / project idea

- ▶ **Project idea: Cultural Routes Intelligence Lab**
 - ▶ Turn cultural heritage, DMO data and creator knowledge into trusted AI readable travel experiences
 - ▶ Create sustainable cultural routes that redirect attention from crowded hotspots to local places and SMEs
 - ▶ Combine knowledge graph grounding, RAG and validation agents for reliable itinerary planning
- ▶ **Expected result: a repeatable model for data driven cultural tourism, creator participation and measurable local impact.**

My3PAI: Problem, Inspiration & Opportunity

Empowering Storytellers. Connecting Heritage. Creating Value.

The Problem: Travel Planning is Hard



- ✗ Too much information, too many sources
- ✗ Hard to find authentic, local & cultural experiences
- ✗ Lack of personalization and reliable recommendations
- ✗ Time-consuming and fragmented planning

The Gap for Influencers & Creators



- ✗ Great storytellers with engaged audiences
- ✗ No access to verified cultural heritage data
- ✗ Limited tools to create deep, meaningful content
- ✗ No clear way to monetize their travel solutions

The Impact



- ✗ Hidden cultural gems remain undiscovered
- ✗ Less sustainable & inclusive tourism
- ✗ Creators are not recognized or rewarded
- ✗ SMEs and local communities miss out

Our Inspiration



Cultural heritage is our shared identity



Influencers can drive meaningful change



AI can connect the dots and create value



Sustainable tourism benefits everyone



MY3PAI

The Agentic AI Marketplace for Cultural & Sustainable Tourism



AI-Powered
Travel Planning



Verified Cultural
Heritage Data



Creator Tools &
Storytelling Studio



Marketplace &
Monetization



Why Monetization Matters



Creators get paid for their knowledge & stories



Local SMEs and communities gain visibility & customers



High-quality content drives engagement & trust



Sustainable business model for long-term impact

Better trips. Greater stories. Shared value.

Relevant EU Calls (Cluster 2 - Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society)



HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-02

Boosting creative startups for disruptive innovation

My3PAI empowers creative startups and travel creators with AI & data.



HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-03

AI integration in CCSI work practice

My3PAI integrates AI in cultural & creative sectors to enhance tourism experiences.



HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04

Fair and transparent markets for cultural and creative content in the are of generative AI

My3PAI builds fair, transparent marketplaces for creators and content.



We are looking for:

Coordinators, universities, heritage institutions, DMOs, CCSI clusters, tourism SMEs, legal & ethics partners, pilot regions.

Contact us!

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- ▶ **Open to consortium building for Cluster 2 cultural heritage, CCSI, AI and sustainable tourism topics.**

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Tomislav Vodička

Our expertise /project idea

- ▶ The Institute for Migration Research (IMIN), Croatia, brings interdisciplinary expertise in migration studies, education, sociology, communication sciences, public policy and environmental issues.
- ▶ Our project idea, **KlimEd – Climate Migration in Education**, explores how climate migration can be better integrated into secondary education through research-based and innovative teaching approaches.
- ▶ We aim to analyse curricula and teachers' needs, develop educational media, and support more inclusive, future-oriented learning on climate migration as an environmental, social, ethical and human rights issue.

Topics of interest

Climate migration and human mobility

Education for sustainable development and migration literacy

Inovative educational media and digital learning

Interdisciplinary expertise in migration, education and social sciences

Curriculum analysis and research with teachers and students

Development of educational materials and policy recommendations



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Shuna Ho

Our expertise / project idea

- ▶ Expertise directly relevant to **biodiversity governance**
 - ▶ Empirical research on market penalties, public sentiments, and policy drivers of firms' environmental behaviors
- ▶ Objective(s)
 - ▶ Construct a dataset **linking firm locations to biodiversity footprint** across multiple countries and political regimes
 - ▶ Test **the degree to which citizen-generated biodiversity observations predict market penalties on firms**, and how this varies
 - ▶ Translate findings into **actionable recommendations** to inform EU science diplomacy strategy and the GBF science-policy interface

Topics of interest

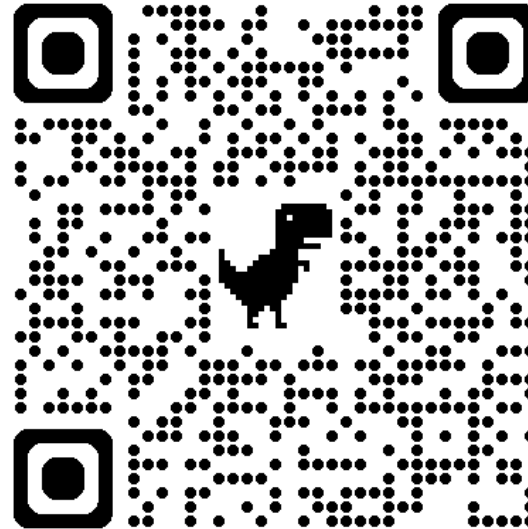
- ▶ HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-06: Governing global commons sustainably (Area B: Biodiversity Governance)
 - ▶ Commercial interests from non-state actors
 - ▶ Sector heterogeneity and governance design
 - ▶ Geopolitical tensions and multilateral cooperation
 - ▶ Novel use of citizen-science data
- ▶ Looking for the following partner(s) to build a consortium:
 - ▶ Political scientists / policy makers
 - ▶ Ecologists / biologists
 - ▶ Environmental / biodiversity law scholars
 - ▶ Civil society organisations

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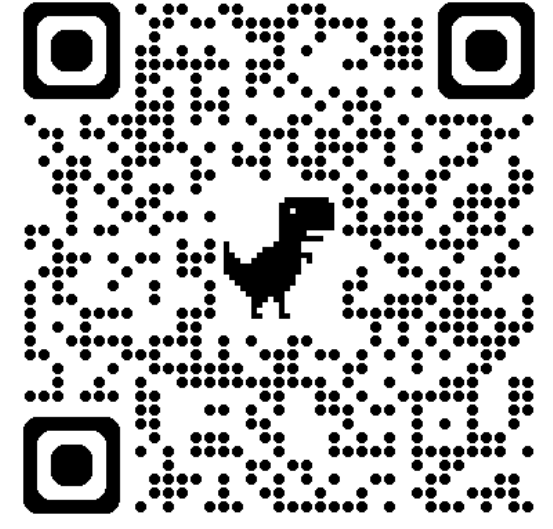
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CIVIC SYSTEMS

Dr. Halil ECER



CIVIC SYSTEMS- Background

- ▶ **Disinformation:** Digital media and geopolitical uncertainties complicate democratic decision-making processes.
- ▶ **Corporate Insecurity:** Polarization and erosion of trust make meaningful citizen participation difficult.
- ▶ **Participation Inequality:** People with disabilities, the elderly, and groups with low digital access face structural barriers.
- ▶ **Static Training:** Current citizenship education is limited to the formal system; it is not accessible to most of the adult population.

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09: Citizenship education as part of lifelong learning



Potential Contribution to the Projects

- **Participatory Policy Simulation:** We offer “participatory simulation environments” where citizens, policymakers and stakeholders can test different democratic decision scenarios together. Thanks to the CIVIC-SIM platform, policy alternatives are analyzed before implementation, developing more inclusive, transparent, and predictable governance approaches.
- **Dynamic Modeling of Public Trust:** Using Causal Loop Diagrams (CLD) to map the non-linear drivers of public trust and identify high-leverage points for open government and central communication strategies
- **Modeling Democratic Trust and Participation Dynamics:** By analyzing the complex relationships between public trust, participation behaviors, and information flow using Causal Loop Diagrams (CLDs), we identify high-leverage intervention areas that will increase democratic participation. This approach provides a strong analytical foundation for open government and participatory governance strategies.
- **Redefining Citizenship and Participation in the Digital Age:** By analyzing the impact of artificial intelligence, digital platforms, and the transformation in the information ecosystem on citizen participation, we contribute to the development of new generation digital citizenship and participation models. In this way, democratic processes are made more accessible and inclusive.
- **Monument-Based Democratic Decision Support Mechanisms:** We combine qualitative insights from the social sciences with simulation and data analytics to analyze delays, feedback loops, and unwanted side effects that occur in policy processes. This supports more effective, adaptable, and participatory decision-making processes.



Our Expertise:

Systemic Analysis and Participatory Modelling We specialise in applying systems thinking methodologies, including Causal Loop Diagrams (CLD) **and system dynamics, to analyse complex democratic processes such as participation, trust and information flows.** Our expertise allows us to transform fragmented evidence into actionable system intelligence.

Decision Support & Simulation: Specialized in creating simulation models that allow managers to test "what-if" scenarios and adapt to environmental dynamism

Educational Innovation: Proven capability in using systems thinking to enhance problem-solving, causal analysis, and "future literacy" skills



Project Proposal Objectives (CIVIC-SYSTEM):

- 1 – **Systemic Mapping of Democratic Participation** To analyse democratic participation systems, information flows and institutional trust dynamics using systems thinking approaches, identifying structural barriers and leverage points for intervention.
- 2 – **Development of a Systemic Civic Learning Model** To co-design and develop a modular, adaptive and participatory civic learning model that enhances systemic literacy, critical thinking and democratic engagement across diverse populations.
- 3 – **Development of the CIVIC-SIM Platform** To design and implement an AI-supported civic technology platform (CIVIC-SIM) enabling simulation of democratic processes, scenario exploration and policy experimentation in a safe and controlled environment.
- 4 – **Integration of Learning and Simulation** To integrate learning content and system models into CIVIC-SIM, enabling users to translate knowledge into interactive simulations and decision-making experiences.
- 5 – **Real-World Validation through Living Labs** To implement the model and platform in transnational Living Lab environments, engaging citizens, policymakers and civil society in co-creation and real-world testing.
- 6 – **Multi-Level Impact Evaluation** To assess the project's impact at cognitive, behavioural and systemic levels, using mixed methods (quantitative, qualitative and behavioural data from CIVIC-SIM
- 7 – **Policy Uptake and Evidence-Based Governance** To translate project results into policy recommendations, decision-support tools and implementation guidelines, supporting evidence-based and participatory policymaking.
- 8 – **Inclusiveness and Accessibility** To ensure inclusive participation by developing accessible, hybrid (digital and non-digital) approaches, particularly for vulnerable and underrepresented groups.



We are seeking;

1-NGO (Working in the field of democratic participation

2- University/research institution (Researchers who study decision-making mechanisms in the social sciences.)

1- Municipality (The project is open to pilot applications and collaboration) from each of the Mediterranean countries.



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Francisco Yépez Muñoz

Our expertise /project idea

Topic: HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-07 Fostering competences for the green transition

PROJECT IDEA: ADVANCING GREEN ENERGY & NET-ZERO TRANSITION SKILLS

Identification and mapping: Mapping green and digital skills in key sectors such as renewable energy, smart grids, hydrogen, and sustainable building. Assessing the current state of these skills.

Project leader: Francisco Sánchez de la Flor (Universidad de Cádiz)

<https://produccioncientifica.uca.es/investigadores/113466/publicaciones>

Countries involved: Spain (University of Cádiz and University of Seville), Germany (FIAP e.V. – Institute for Innovative and Preventive Job Design), and Morocco (1 University).

Required profiles: Policy-makers and public administrations

Topic: HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-08. Strengthened implementation of the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum and a focus on inclusion, integration, and health

PROJECT IDEA: HEALTH ACCESS AND RESOURCE MOBILISATION FOR MIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN EUROPE

Project leaders: Miguel Ángel Cepillo Galvín & Siham Zebda Morabet (Universidad de Cádiz)

Laboratory of Immigration, Interculturality and Social Inclusion of the University of Cádiz (Lab3In) <https://lab3in-indess.uca.es/>

Partners involved: Spain (University of Cádiz and INIBICA), Italy (Dedalus Cooperativa Sociale), PO (University - Pomeranian University in Słupsk), EL (University of Patras, INTERSOS HELLAS).

Required profiles: Organisations interested in piloting solutions, co-developing training and tools, contributing to evaluation, or supporting policy impact are invited to explore collaboration.

Topics of interest

Topic: HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-07 Fostering competences for the green transition

Topic: HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-08. Strengthened implementation of the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum and a focus on inclusion, integration, and health

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Our expertise

- ▶ **Beia Consult International** (<https://beiaro.eu/>)
- ▶ An entity specialized in consultancy, technology integration, knowledge transfer, business development, project management, communication, dissemination, exploitation, and go-to-market strategies. It plays a key role in connecting R&D results with the market, stakeholders, public authorities, SMEs, industry, and local communities.
- ▶ Our Mission is to support our clients' businesses through providing them with best communication solutions at unbeatable prices
- ▶ After more than 30 years in the IT & telecommunications business we have gained our clients' confidence and appreciation
- ▶ Involved in over 100 European and national R&D and innovation projects, including Horizon 2020/Horizon Europe, ERA-NET, EUREKA, Eurostars, Erasmus+, Interreg, LIFE, and numerous Open Calls.
- ▶ Satisfying most complex customer and user demands is our main goal



RELATED PROJECTS

- ▶ **MUSEION** - The MUSEION project propose an IoT platform for monitoring of the museum environment and tackle these challenges.
- ▶ **RITHMS** - Intends to boost the operational capacity of Police and Customs/Border Authorities in addressing the increasingly organised and poly-criminal nature of trafficking in cultural goods through research, technological innovation, outreach and training.
- ▶ **SMARTSENSE** - The general objective of the project is to contribute to increasing the degree of use, quality and level of access of small and medium enterprises to information and communication technology: Technological Framework for Sustainable Research and Promotion of Tourist Areas Using Innovative Techniques of Computerized Visualization and Audio-visual Recognition
- ▶ **SMARTRAVEL** - The objective of smarTravel is to provide an interface between the visitor and the destination for a responsive orientation towards solving specific needs, preferences, and external information. Technological Framework for Sustainable Research and Promotion of Tourist Areas
META-MUSEUM- is based on the role that empathy can play in understanding the constantly changing nature of CH, and on the role that empathic emotions
- ▶ **RRREMAKER** - Reuse Reduce Recycle AI-based platform for automated and scalable Maker culture in Circular economy
- ▶ **WeH** - Wallachia eHUB – European Digital Innovation Hub focusing on training programmes on key digitalisation concepts, including for tourism and heritage

PROJECT IDEA

- ▶ **Development of an innovative digital platform to protect and preserve European cultural heritage assets (historic buildings, monuments, museums, and archaeological sites) using advanced Industry 4.0 technologies.**

- ▶ **Key Technologies**

- **Digital Twins and 3D modeling**
- **IoT sensor-based monitoring**
- **Artificial Intelligence and Big Data analytics**
- **XR/Metaverse applications for education and gaming**
- **Blockchain and cybersecurity**

- ▶ **Main Objectives**

- **Predict deterioration and structural risks**
- **Simulate the impact of climate change, pollution, and tourism**
- **Support preventive conservation actions**
- **Create virtual museums and immersive educational experiences**

Topics of interest

- ▶ **Priority Topics of Interest (Deadline: 23 September 2026)**
 - **HERITAGE-05 – Creative Alliances for Cultural Policies and CCI Innovation**
 - **HERITAGE-04 – Cultural and Creative Content in the Era of Generative AI**
 - **DEMOCRACY-10 – Digital and Media Literacy**
 - **DEMOCRACY-09 – Citizenship Education**
 - **TRANSFO-04 – Digital Tools, Education and Mental Health**
 - **DEMOCRACY-09 – Citizenship Education and Lifelong Learning**
- ▶ **Proposed Project Ideas**
 - **AI-Driven Digital Twins for Cultural Heritage Preservation**
 - **Virtual Museums and Metaverse Experiences**
 - **Serious Games for Citizenship and Cultural Education**
 - **AI Tools for Digital and Media Literacy**
- ▶ **Strategic Positioning**
 - ▶ **BEIA can contribute as:**
 - **Technology Provider (AI, IoT, Digital Twins, cybersecurity)**
 - **Project Coordinator or Technical Leader**
 - **Dissemination and Exploitation Partner**
 - **Training and Societal Engagement Partner**

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Flash Presentation session

Subilaga Kalanje & Sacha Gabriela Nabe

Our expertise /project idea

Who we are and what we bring ...

- a **multilingual and multi-ethnic** team
- strong expertise in **linguistic ethnography, second language acquisition research, and longitudinal studies of heritage language development**
- extensive experience in **associative and community-led initiatives**

Our project idea...

- A study of how **language choices** are shaped by family dynamics, educational environments, and broader societal ideologies, but also how they relate to **identity, belonging, and wellbeing**, with a focus on **Sub-Saharan African communities**
- Our lens is **decolonial** and we want to work with people who share our **cultural sensitivity and ethical reflexivity** in the research process.

Within a consortium, we will offer ...

- **complementary interdisciplinary expertise**
- direct bridge between **research, classroom practice, teacher training, and educational policy**

Topics of interest

Our scientific interest in the Horizon Europe topic *Safeguarding Linguistic Diversity in Europe* builds on our ongoing research on how **diasporic families negotiate, maintain, lose, or reappropriate their heritage languages across generations.**

Our interests:

- family language policies
- minority language development
- and multilingual practices in Sub-Saharan African communities

We can contribute particularly to exploring ...

- practices of **multilingualism and language maintenance**
- **intergenerational language transmission**
- **minority language development** and its links to **wellbeing**
- **heritage language teaching and learning.**

Contact us!

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- ▶ Switzerland
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Cheng Siew Goh

Topics of interest



HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-03: Rethinking sustainable competitiveness beyond traditional perspectives: role and contribution of the Social Economy

Reframing Sustainable Competitiveness Through “Lived Sustainability” In The Sustainable Built Environment And Urban Transition

Project Objectives

- Develop and test a new model of **sustainable competitiveness** based on **social value creation** (wellbeing, inclusion, affordability), **real performance in use** (not design intent) and **social economy participation**, using the built environment as a test bed.
- **Co-design and test** the new model with **social economy actors**—such as housing associations and community organisations—and validate them through **living labs** across Europe.

Our expertise /project idea

▶ Northumbria's Institutional Strength/Expertise

- ▶ Ranked in the UK's top 10 for sustainability in 2025
- ▶ Strong local partnerships and regional industry networks (e.g. Northern Accelerator, Intensive Industrial Innovation Project)
- ▶ Interdisciplinary research expertise
- ▶ Strong track records in UK Research Excellence Framework (REF) impact case studies
- ▶ High-performance computing facility ('Higgs') designed to handle large scientific datasets at high speeds
- ▶ Access to the Newcastle and Gateshead virtual city model
- ▶ Demonstrated capacity to lead and coordinate in large interdisciplinary international projects involving sustainability, resilient communities, circular economy, and climate innovation

Contact us!



What's we are looking for:

- Partners to **identify distributional impacts of sustainable competitiveness** and mapping “green inequality **hotspots** across different cities/regions in Europe
- Partners who are keen to make **cross-national policy comparison, citizen and stakeholder engagement at scale** for “Lived Sustainability” in the Built Environment

▶ If you are interested, please reach out

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(Academic & Research Institution)



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Our expertise



About Giresun Governorship

- ▶ The Giresun Governorship has a strong institutional structure with high project development and implementation capacity and experience in working with national and international funding sources. Through its EU and Foreign Relations Office, it plays an active role in various international funding mechanisms, primarily European Union programs.
- ▶ The Giresun Governorship is responsible for coordinating and implementing national public policies at the provincial level in the areas of youth, sports, active aging, rural development, digital transformation, environmental sustainability, and social inclusion.
- ▶ Multi-stakeholder coordination
- ▶ AI-supported and data-driven projects
- ▶ Policy implementation and regional governance capacity
- ▶ Cross-border and international cooperation projects

Erasmus+ Projects: International youth participation, entrepreneurship and capacity-building initiatives. **Interreg Projects:** Cross-border cooperation and AI-supported monitoring systems for regional sustainability challenges. **TÜBİTAK Projects:** Educational and innovation-oriented projects focusing on artificial intelligence and sustainability. **Regional Development Projects (DOKA / SOGEP):** Rural development, digital transformation and sustainable agriculture initiatives.



STAARA Project Idea (HORIZON-CL2-2026-TRANSFO-09)

STAARA aims to support sustainable, resilient and high-quality long-term care (LTC) systems in Europe in response to demographic change and population aging.

- ▶ The project will develop a data-driven and policy-oriented framework integrating:
 - ▶ long-term care needs
 - ▶ workforce capacity
 - ▶ service supply
 - ▶ and financing requirements.
- ▶ STAARA focuses on:
 - ▶ integrated health and social care,
 - ▶ AI-supported and digital planning tools,
 - ▶ evidence-based policy recommendations,
 - ▶ and future-oriented scenario building up to 2070.
- ▶ The project seeks to strengthen cooperation between public authorities, academia, civil society and technology-oriented partners.



Areas of Interest

- ▶ Long-term care systems and demographic change
- ▶ Active aging and social inclusion
- ▶ AI-supported public service planning
- ▶ Digital transformation in health and care systems
- ▶ Integrated health and social care models
- ▶ Evidence-based policymaking
- ▶ Sustainable and resilient public services

Potential contribution

- ▶ Public authority and policy implementation perspective
- ▶ Multi-stakeholder coordination capacity
- ▶ Experience in AI-supported and data-driven projects
- ▶ Dissemination and stakeholder engagement
- ▶ Regional policy implementation and pilot activities
- ▶ Administrative and financial project management experience

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Organisation Type: Regional Public Authority

Organisation Country: Türkiye





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Radek Sidun, Filip Blažek

European Typographic Proofreader

- ▶ “**Typofix**” is a European typography project with a multidisciplinary focus. It is a **database** of typographic rules and an **application** for correcting them.
- ▶ The project’s main goal is to preserve traditional local rules, which have been part of our cultural heritage for centuries.
- ▶ It combines extensive research, language technologies, typography and AI to help end users, publishers and institutions automatically improve the quality of text across European languages.

AI partner needed!

- ▶ We are looking for a partner specialising in **AI and language technologies** to help analyse and implement contextual multilingual typographic correction using existing language models. The partner will contribute to AI-assisted language detection, terminology consistency, workflow optimisation and integration of typographic rules into modern AI systems.

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UMPRUM Academy of Arts
Architecture & Design
in Prague

- ▶ **Radek Sidun, Filip Blažek** – researchers
- ▶ Academy of Arts Architecture and Design in Prague, Czech Republic
- ▶ UMPRUM is one of the leading Central European art and design universities, internationally recognised for its contribution to visual culture, architecture, applied arts and design education.
- ▶ **www.typofix.org** – typofix@umprum.cz

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Natasha Lushetich **UWE Bristol**

Project Title: *Imaginatelligent Multi-Species Archives*

Artistic Intelligence HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-01

Flash Presentation session

Project Idea & Our Expertise:

Imaginatelligent Multi-species Archives

Artistic Intelligence HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-01

- ▶ **Project Idea:** Human creativity is in rapid decline. Non-human forms of creativity, along with a third of the existing species, are threatened with extinction. Yet artistic methods commonly attributed to humans, e.g. artography and deep mapping, exist across species. **IMA takes a relational approach to general (organic and machinic) intelligence (memory, information processing, behavioral repertoire) to explore the formation of techniques. The main aim is to establish a multi-species archive of creative techniques and technologies as a *posthumanist horizon of possibility* where dogs may pass on their navigational knowledges to other species via AI (Smrekar 2019-); symbiotic ant-forest rhythmographies may be felt-heard through digital citizen-sensing (Shen 2019-); or 60,000 year-old ice cores can be liquefied to decipher histories of millennia-old climatic events (Binitie 2020-).**
- ▶ **Expertise:** artistic methods and epistemologies; immersive media and creative technologies; residency-based co-creation with a significant national network through Watershed: <https://www.watershed.co.uk/>; unconventional (organic-machinic species) computing and creative software via Unconventional Computing Lab (UCL): <https://uncomp.uwe.ac.uk/>

Topics of interest

We are looking for:

- Experience and expertise in experimental media archiving, e.g. ZKM Karlsruhe; Ars Electronica Archive, Linz
- Experience and expertise in developing and exhibiting multispecies art-science work, e.g. Le Lieu Unique, Nantes; Kersnikova, Ljubljana

Topics of interest: Art, Culture, Heritage, Media & Creative Technologies

Potential contribution to the projects applying to the topics you are interested in:

- Personal expertise in artistic methods and epistemologies and their dissemination to a variety of stakeholders; research and creative leadership (current and recent projects: <https://energy-philosophy.ac.uk/> & <https://indeterminacy.ac.uk/>)
- Institutional expertise in immersive media and creative technologies; residency-based co-creation with a significant national network via Watershed: <https://www.watershed.co.uk/>; unconventional (organic-machinic species) computing and creative software via Unconventional Computing Lab (UCL): <https://uncomp.uwe.ac.uk/>

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Sotiris Themistokleous



CSI CYPRUS OVERVIEW



R&D Center: Fostering positive change locally, nationally, regionally, and globally.



60 staff: Researchers, Trainers, Project Managers, IT Experts.

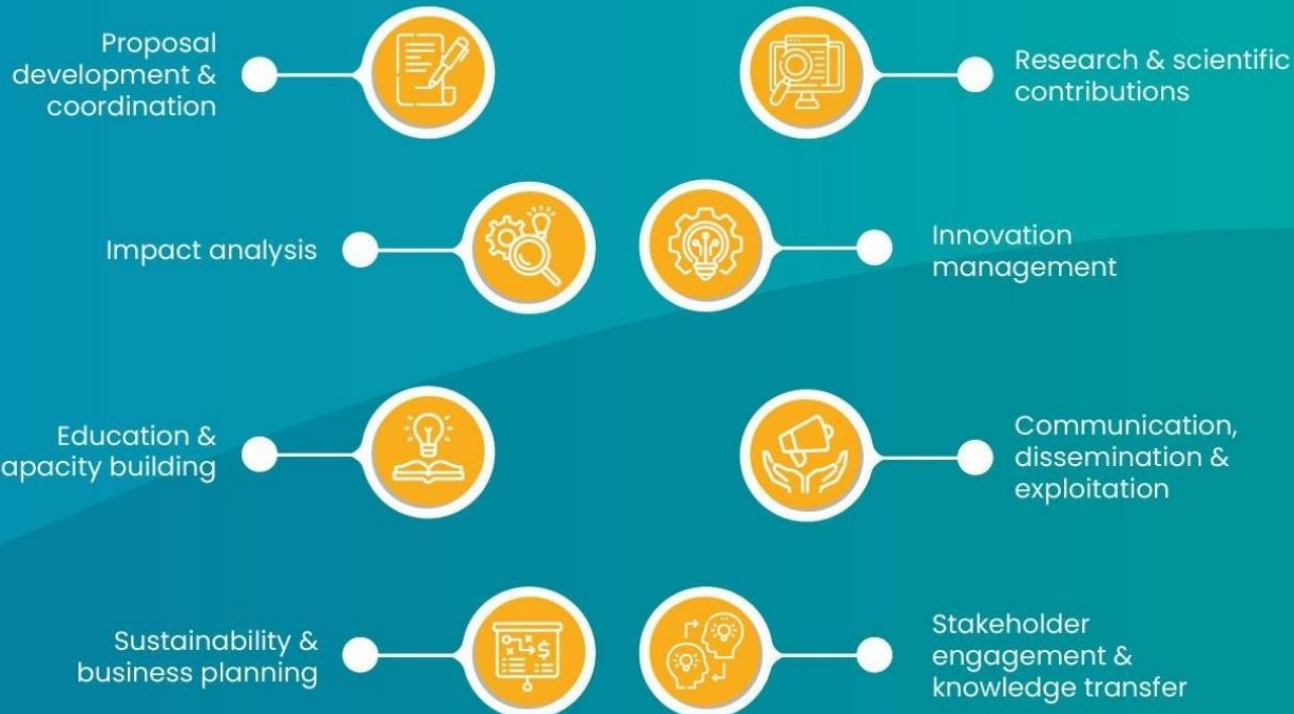


Running 90 projects, completed 300 projects globally.



Network of more than 5000 relevant organizations.

Our Core Expertise & Proposal Development & Project Implementation:



Core Expertise

- **Strategic Proposal Engineering**
- **Scientific Methodological Rigor**
- **Research-to-Market Pipeline**
- **Innovative Educational Architecture**
- **Pilot implementation, assessment, evaluation, and coordination**
- **Social impact analysis of technological innovations**
- **Environmental impact analysis of innovations**

Project ideas

Digital and media literacy as drivers for democratic and civic resilience (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10)

- Innovative digital and media literacy strategies against disinformation and polarization.
- AI-supported, evidence-based literacy interventions through cross-national research and Living Labs.
- Practical tools, educational resources, and policy recommendations to enhance trust, critical thinking, and democratic participation.

Electoral integrity in the digital context (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-08)

- Address disinformation, AI-driven political manipulation, cyber threats and foreign interference in digital electoral processes.
- Policy frameworks, AI accountability mechanisms, digital monitoring tools and early warning systems.
- Pilot test practical solutions to support transparent, inclusive, secure and trustworthy elections across Europe.

Other topics of interest

- Citizenship education as part of lifelong learning

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09

- The impact of the use of digital tools outside school and for communication on educational outcomes and mental health

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04

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Center for Social
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CSI's team is currently developing a number of proposals and **we work based on mutual exchange of partnerships!**



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Umair ul Hassan





Our project idea

- ▶ AI Integration in Cultural & Creative Work Practices (HERITAGE-03)
- ▶ Insight Research Ireland Centre for Data Analytics, University of Galway
 - ▶ 20+ years in data analytics & AI, 1,250+ researchers, 45 EU projects (incl. AI4EU, Data Spaces Support Centre)
 - ▶ Full AI stack (ML, NLP, CV, recommender systems, privacy, AI ethics) and strong industry/innovation track record.
- ▶ Proposal objectives
 - ▶ Map AI readiness and barriers across CCSI and co-design integration roadmaps using Europe-wide cultural data and infrastructures.
 - ▶ Pilot AI-enabled and inclusive, accessibility-focused solutions in real CCSI workflows, and deliver reusable toolkits and training.
- ▶ Partner requirements
 - ▶ Cultural/creative anchors (museums, archives, libraries, performing arts, media) to host pilots.
 - ▶ AI/creative tech SMEs, SSH/legal/policy, and infrastructure/network partners (Europeana/ECCCH-linked, EDIHs, EIT Culture & Creativity) to co-develop, evaluate and scale solutions





Topics of interest

Topic	Our role	Short positioning sentence
HERITAGE-03 AI integration in CCSI	Coordinator & AI backbone	We coordinate a European effort to integrate AI into CCSI work practices, co-designing pilots on cultural data spaces and delivering practical toolkits and training for sustainable AI uptake.
HERITAGE-04 Generative-AI & CCSI markets	Data/technical WP lead	We lead data-driven analysis of generative-AI content markets and prototype transparency, provenance and rights-management tools that support fair remuneration and policy development.
DEMOCRACY-10 Digital & media literacy	Coordinator & Computational methods WP lead	We coordinate and lead NLP and network-analysis expertise to map information flows, evaluate literacy interventions, and build dashboards and resources for educators and civil society.
DEMOCRACY-08 Electoral integrity online	AI/analytics WP lead	We develop AI-based methods to detect manipulation (bots, coordinated campaigns, AI-generated content) and co-design monitoring tools and guidelines with electoral authorities and SSH partners.





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Flash Presentation session

Lorentz Jäntschi

**Technical University of Cluj-
Napoca (UTCN), Romania**

Expertise: Advanced Mathematical Modeling & Informatics Infrastructure



- ▶ **Core Competency:** Over 20 years of experience in computational modeling, data analysis algorithms, and information metrics
- ▶ **Interdisciplinary Integration:** Bridging STEM and Social Sciences (SSH) to transform social hypotheses into quantifiable evidence
- ▶ **Previous Involvement:** Modern "Advanced Research and Education University" and founding member of the European University Alliance EUt+
- ▶ **Active Networking:** Key technical contributor within the **European University of Technology (EUt+)** alliance, facilitating cross-border research integration.

Topics of interest

Digital Heritage: Algorithms for digital restoration and relational databases (Ref: HERITAGE-01/03)

Social Transformations: Modeling complex networks, migration flows, and economic disparities (Ref: TRANSFO-09/10)

Democracy & AI: Assessing algorithmic impact on civic participation and "Artistic Intelligence" (Ref: DEMOCRACY-08)

Development of customized software platforms.

Processing Large Data Sets (Big Data) with mathematical rigor

Implementation of hybrid STEM-SSH research methodologies

Compliance: All developed platforms are strictly Open Science compliant, ensuring data findability and mathematical rigor for Big Data processing.

Requirements for Partners

Ideal Coordinator Profile: Seeking Social Science leads (Sociology, Public Policy, History) who require high-rigor data validation or digital infrastructure.

Target Partners: Seeking consortiums led by coordinators in Sociology, History, or Public Policy

Role: Robust Technical Partner to provide mathematical modeling and data analytics for SSH-focused calls

Collaboration Goal: Converting social complexity into impactful digital models through 1:1 discussions and matchmaking sessions

Technical Synergy: Looking for projects where "Artistic Intelligence" or complex network analysis can add a competitive edge to the proposal.

Contact Us!

Name: Lorentz Jäntschi

Organisation: Technical University of Cluj-Napoca (UTCN)

Nature of Organisation: Academic/Higher Education Institution

Country: Romania



Matchmaking Event for 2026 Cluster 2 calls

Martin Blackwell

Topic of interest



- ▶ **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-06 – Making Europe a global magnet for talent**
- ▶ To develop and validate **scalable, place-based models** that expands our award-winning ***Work in Norwich*** campaign and position second-tier European cities as competitive, inclusive, and sustainable destinations for global talent, using *Work in Norwich* as a core pilot. <https://www.workinnorwich.co.uk/>
- ▶ Voted the **Best Place to Live** in the UK 2026 by the Sunday Times.
- ▶ The **Work in Norwich** programme provides a **practical, place-based model** for promoting local employment opportunities, supporting businesses, and enhancing the city's strong cultural and creative industries.
- ▶ **Second-tier cities** like Norwich offer high quality of life, strong local economies, and untapped potential - but struggle with **visibility, attraction, and retention of global talent**.

Our expertise

- ▶ We represent a highly relevant European test environment, combining the challenges of a medium-sized city (Norwich) with. Norwich provides urban intensity, **enabling full-system experimentation** with 2 Universities, the UEA and the Norwich University of the Arts.
- ▶ Having a strong track record of successful delivery on multi-partner projects over many years including **Interreg**.
- ▶ The combined geography enables a **full quadruple-helix ecosystem**, ideal for Horizon-scale innovation, that brings together public authorities, industry, research organisations, and citizens to co-create, test, and scale innovative mobility solutions.

Find out more about us here:

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to explore any potential opportunities



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Fabrizio Giacomelli, Fabiana Spadetta

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 SpeakyAI

Our expertise and Cluster 2 topic of interest

Partner offer: A new level of accessibility

- Mediavoice is an innovative technology provider with a **patented AI-based SDK** (Software Development Kit, **protected in the EU, UK, and USA**) that introduces a powerful **accessibility layer** into any digital environment. Our core strength lies in transforming standard applications, platforms, and systems into **fully accessible, voice-driven and inclusive solutions**, going beyond the limitations of traditional screen readers.
- We position ourselves as a **strategic partner for European projects**, enabling consortia to embed accessibility **by design** and significantly strengthen their inclusive impact.
- Mediavoice has actively participated in several European projects, including Horizon Europe, FP7, and Erasmus+.

Topic of interest:

- **HERITAGE-01/03/**: inclusive AI tools for cultural and creative industries.
- **HERITAGE-05/06**: multilingual voice access for linguistic diversity.
- **DEMOCRACY-01/02/04/07/08/09/10**: accessible civic, digital and media literacy.
- **TRANSFO-04**: digital tools, education, well-being and students with disabilities.
- **TRANSFO-08/09**: inclusion, migration, long-term care and vulnerable groups.

Mediavoice contribution

1) Patented Inclusive AI SDK

A unique, globally protected technology that integrates seamlessly into any software, platform, or digital system, making it fully accessible for blind and visually impaired users. It enables conversational, voice-first interaction across websites, apps and documents. This is the core technology behind SpeakyAI, our app currently being launched in the US market.

2) Universal Accessibility Layer for Digital Systems

Ability to retrofit or natively integrate accessibility into existing and new solutions, ensuring compliance with accessibility standards while delivering a significantly enhanced user experience for people with disabilities.

3) Rapid Integration and Prototype Adaptation

Fast deployment of accessible prototypes within project pilots, enabling partners to demonstrate tangible inclusive outcomes early in the project lifecycle.

4) Cross-domain Applicability

Our technology is inherently adaptable across multiple sectors, including cultural heritage, education, civic participation, digital literacy, and social inclusion making it highly relevant for all targeted Cluster 2 calls.

5) Voice AI, NLP and Conversational Interfaces

Advanced expertise in speech technologies, AI/NLP, and natural interaction models, allowing users to access and navigate complex digital environments through intuitive voice commands and dialogue.

6) Inclusive UX Design and Accessibility Requirements

Definition and implementation of accessibility requirements, inclusive user journeys, and measurable KPIs aligned with European inclusion goals and standards.

7) Co-creation with End Users

Direct involvement of blind and visually impaired users in co-design, testing, and validation phases, ensuring real usability and impact beyond theoretical compliance.

8) Dissemination and Exploitation in Assistive Technology Markets

Strong positioning in the assistive technology ecosystem, supporting project dissemination, scalability, and long-term market uptake of inclusive solutions.

Value for Cluster 2 Consortia

By integrating Mediavoice, consortia can **immediately enhance the inclusiveness of their proposals**, ensuring that project results are accessible, usable, and impactful for blind and visually impaired users. Our SDK acts as a **plug-in accessibility enabler**, reducing development complexity while maximizing social and technological impact across all targeted calls (HERITAGE, DEMOCRACY, TRANSFO).

We enable partners not only to meet accessibility requirements, but to **turn inclusion into a core innovation asset** within European projects.

Contact us!



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We are looking for

- Joining consortia where accessibility and inclusion can increase impact
- Coordinators looking for a ready-to-integrate accessibility and inclusion component for blind, visually impaired and elderly users
- Projects where accessibility can strengthen impact, user uptake, social relevance and compliance with inclusion-by-design principles

Role in the consortium

- Technology & inclusion partner: integrating our patented inclusive AI-based SDK, accessible voice-based interaction and inclusive UX requirements
- Validation & exploitation partner: testing with blind and visually impaired users, feedback-driven improvement and transfer to accessibility markets

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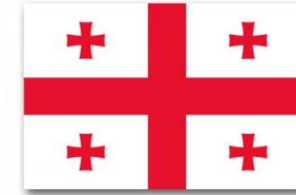


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Vika Kardava

Georgia, Associated Country Sokhumi State University

- Public higher education and research institution in Georgia (Tbilisi)
- Founded in 1932 in Sokhumi, Abkhazia; currently operating in Tbilisi
- Displaced university following the Abkhazia conflict
- Expertise in post-conflict studies, peacebuilding, and social cohesion
- Active in EU-funded and international research projects



Speaker:

Vika Kardava, PhD

Assistant Professor

Horizon Europe Coordinator

Sokhumi State University

IDP from Abkhazia – bringing real post-conflict experience



Why Sokhumi State University?

Key Strength: A unique displaced university with real post-conflict experience and strong regional research capacity



•Involved in consortia for:

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09 – *Citizenship education as part of lifelong learning and*

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10 – *Digital and media literacy as drivers for democratic and civic resilience*

Current Consortium Partners:

- Heriot-Watt University (Edinburgh, Scotland, UK)
- Rawshaping Technology I&R (Netherlands)
- Odesa National Economic University (Ukraine)
- University of Reading (United Kingdom)
- Pivotal Consultancy (Scotland)
- Vilnius College of Design (VCD) (Lithuania)
- Sokhumi State University (Georgia)
- Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University (Georgia)
- Georgian International University (Georgia)

Looking For

- Experienced **Horizon Europe coordinator**
- Additional partners in:
 - democracy & governance
 - peacebuilding & conflict transformation
 - media literacy & social research

Project Idea:

To strengthen democratic resilience in post-conflict contexts through research, civic education and media literacy, focusing on vulnerable groups and social cohesion.

OUR EXPERTISE

- Strong expertise in **peacebuilding** and **post-conflict studies**
- Research in **democracy, civic education** and **inclusion**
- Direct experience with **IDPs, refugees** and **vulnerable groups**
- Strong qualitative & quantitative **research** capacity
- Proven **EU project** experience (Erasmus+, Jean Monnet)

Topics of interest



- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-05** – Inclusive democracy & equality
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-07** – Post-conflict democracy & peacebuilding
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09** – Citizenship education & participation
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10** – Media literacy & countering disinformation
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04** – Digital tools, educational outcomes & mental health
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-05** – Skills, productivity & societal transformation
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-05** – Cultural cooperation & creative alliances
- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-06** – Linguistic diversity & identity

Our Contribution

- Lead **empirical research** using qualitative and quantitative methods
- Conduct **fieldwork in post-conflict contexts** with access to IDPs and vulnerable groups
- Analyse **polarisation, social cohesion and democratic participation**
- Develop **civic education and training programmes**
- Design **media literacy and critical thinking tools**
- Deliver **evidence-based policy recommendations**



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Michael Walsh and Serena Sansica
CopyMama SRL



When GenAI enters content production, what happens to the cultural, creative and professional value of language?

CopyMama created **The Public Language Index™**: a platform designed to measure how GenAI is reshaping written public, cultural and creative communication.

The PLI™ combines a longitudinal multilingual corpus with transparent linguistic indicators to measure:

- linguistic convergence;
- genericity and recurring formulas;
- tone drift;
- loss of cultural specificity;
- reduced voice distinctiveness;
- AI-pattern markers.



Topics of interest

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04

Towards a fair and transparent market for cultural and creative content in the era of generative AI

Our contribution to the consortium:

- **5M+ documents collected**, with data from 2015 to today
- **7+ European languages**, including pre-GenAI baselines
- **transparent indicators** to measure AI influence on CCI content
- **evidence for guidelines and policy recommendations** on authenticity, diversity and market transparency
- **EU-hosted infrastructure**, designed for GDPR compliance



Let's talk after the session!

We are looking for:

- Academic coordinator
A university or research centre with Horizon experience to lead the academic research dimension.
- CCSI pilot partners
Publishers, media, museums, cultural institutions or creative agencies willing to test the methodology on real content.
- Validation and policy partners
External validation of methodology, IP and copyright expertise, and audience research on trust and creative value.

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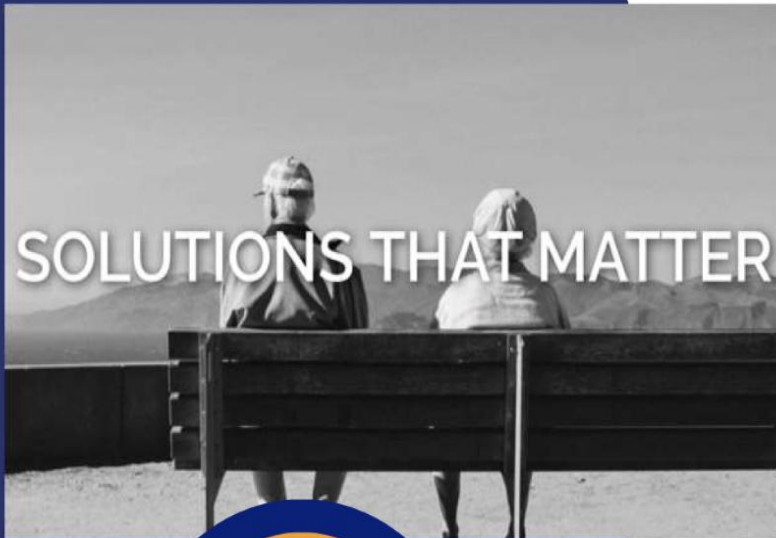


Matchmaking Event for 2026 Cluster 2 calls

Agata Wiśniewska, PCG Polska

PCG POLSKA

Who we are?



Public Consulting Group (PCG, USA)

Global consulting company (est. 1986, Boston) operating in education, health, human services and technology.

3,000+ experts supporting public institutions across the USA, Canada and Europe.



PCG Polska

Regional branch of PCG (2009) in Europe, responsible for implementing consulting, research and innovation projects in Poland and the EU.

Combines global PCG methodologies with local expertise in education, healthcare and social services.



PCG Polska Group Structure

PCG Polska is the parent company for three specialized entities:

- Librus – leading provider of digital tools for schools and learners
- PCG Edukacja – educational services, training and digital solutions for schools
- PCG Academia – higher education technologies and analytical platforms

PCG Polska – Potential Contribution to the Expected Outcomes

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-08 | Migration, inclusion, integration and health

Expected Outcomes 3 + 4

EO3: migrant health equity

EO4: long-term integration

What PCG could contribute

- Evaluate integration strategies across labour market, housing, education, health/mental health and skills recognition.
- Map barriers in access to public and social services for migrants and refugees, including vulnerable groups.
- Run stakeholder consultations with municipalities, NGOs, service providers, schools, labour-market actors and migrant communities.
- Develop practical policy recommendations, service pathways and implementation tools for local/national authorities.
- Validate one-stop-shop / integrated service models using PCG's EU4UA experience and field networks.

Relevant PCG experience

- EU4UA: Blueprint for refugee one-stop-shop support, needs assessment, case management and referral tools.
- Applied research, evaluation, stakeholder engagement and public-service design in EU-funded social innovation projects.

Expected Outcomes 1 + 2

EO1: EU Pact implementation

EO2: legal pathways

What PCG could contribute

- Provide Poland/CEE implementation perspective on asylum, migration governance and local service coordination.
- Map institutional gaps between national frameworks and local delivery systems.
- Consult public authorities, municipalities, NGOs and frontline service providers on practical implementation barriers.
- Support policy-to-practice recommendations for fair, efficient and human-rights-based migration governance.
- Contribute to legal pathways analysis from the angle of labour-market access, skills validation and local integration support.

Relevant PCG experience

- Stakeholder engagement and applied policy work with municipalities, NGOs, service providers and migrant-support organisations in Poland/CEE.
- Capacity to support field research, validation and practical recommendations on Pact implementation, legal pathways, labour market access and skills recognition.

PCG fit: translating research findings into practical recommendations and educational solutions for schools, teachers, parents, educators and policymakers

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. Balance & well-being

How can schools, educators and parents balance digital tool use to enhance, rather than hinder, educational performance and students' well-being?

2. Parents & educators

What is the role of parents and educators in guiding digital leisure activities? How does parental digital literacy influence young people's device use?

3. Skills development & transferability

Support for a scientific partner: How can digital leisure activities contribute to skills development, such as problem-solving and digital literacy, and what is the transferability of these skills into education?

PCG ROLE IN THE CONSORTIUM

Implementation and policy partner

- Practical recommendations and tools
- Materials for schools, parents and institutions
- Stakeholder engagement: teachers, parents, schools, local authorities
- Piloting, evaluation and testing
- Translating research into implementation models

Practical uptake of research results

PCG strengthens implementation, dissemination and school-level adoption of evidence-based solutions.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Outcome 3

Develop actionable advice for policymakers and citizens about how to promote young people's healthy use of digital tools for leisure, both at school and outside school.

Outcome 2

Generate rigorous, policy-relevant evidence about policies and practices aiming to inform and regulate young people's use of digital tools for non-educational purposes, such as smartphones, at school.

Outcome 1

Provide policymakers, education practitioners and citizens with a solid understanding of how social media, video gaming and other leisure uses of digital tools relate to young people's educational outcomes, well-being and mental health.

PCG assets supporting practical uptake

LIBRUS – school ecosystem reach | PCG Akademia – training & capacity-building | Generator Innowacji – testing and scaling social & educational innovations



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International Project Management



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Inna Lisniak, Reet Hiemäe
(Estonian Literary Museum)

Flash Presentation session

Our expertise

- ▶ **Intangible cultural heritage, ethnomusicology, computational musicology, digital humanities, AI-assisted analysis of folk song corpora, music–language interaction, minority languages**
- ▶ Ethnographic inquiry, grassroots narratives and ritual behaviour, contemporary worldviews, vernacular crisis coping and mental well-being, and dialogue-building between myth, science, and public communication
- ▶ **Novel multi-/transdisciplinary configurations & cooperations**

Institutional resources

- ▶ One of Europe's largest folklore and cultural history archives
- ▶ Diverse ethnographic collections
- ▶ Digital humanities infrastructure and interdisciplinary collaboration
- ▶ Creative public-engagement formats and community-based initiatives

Topics of interest



Estonian Literary Museum

- ▶ HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-01: Artistic intelligence
- ▶ HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-05: Research and Innovation Network for a Union of Equality
- ▶ HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-06: Safeguarding linguistic diversity in Europe

Our contribution

- ▶ Mythology, vernacular narratives, ritual practices, and belief systems
- ▶ Citizen science and participatory cultural engagement
- ▶ AI-assisted analysis of folk song corpora, oral traditions, and heritage data
- ▶ Folk songs as carriers of linguistic diversity, cultural memory, and regional identity

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Estonian Literary Museum





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Our expertise /project idea

► Connectivity, Intelligence, Security



Multimedia Analysis

The videos, documents, or images provide the raw material we work with across different technologies: data. With our experience in processing it, we offer companies and institutions a range of solutions to ensure greater security and efficiency in their management.

Language Technologies

We develop language technologies to understand content, interact intelligently, and ensure trustworthy AI. We create solutions for information extraction, AI-generated text detection, and the ethical governance of language models.



Applied AI

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning enable greater automation of a wide range of actions in key sectors such as eHealth, industry, and banking. We aim to solve problems through the responsible and trustworthy use of AI.



Data Security

We protect data at all times: at rest, in transit, and in use. We develop security technologies featuring digital identity, advanced encryption, and post-quantum protection, essential for sectors such as telecommunications, IoT, and critical infrastructure.



Topics of interest

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HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-04

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04

Projects in CL2:

- IMPULSE (Coord.)
- JUST-IN



We are looking for **consortiums** to join as **partners/WP leaders**.

- We can develop **Trustworthy AI** for:
 - **multimedia analysis** and verifying the **authenticity and traceability** of multimedia content. Detection of **digital manipulation** and **deepfakes**.
 - analysing **disinformation, manipulated political and electoral multimedia content, fake news** and **digital behaviour**.
 - **discourse analysis**, sentiment and polarity analysis, and detection of harmful or aggressive discourse.
- **RAG systems** to facilitate reliable access to verified information.
- **Confidential Computing technologies** for ensuring transparency, authenticity, and trust across the **generative AI supply chain for cultural and creative content** and for **secure and verifiable digital electoral processes**.

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Topics of interest

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04: The impact of the use of digital tools outside school and for communication on educational outcomes and mental health

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-09: Rethinking long-term care policy in the face of EU demographic shifts

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-10: Fostering cooperation and integration between SSH and STEM research and innovation in the EU

AND ALL HEALTH-RELATED TOPICS & COMPONENTS

We provide end-to-end support to Polish researchers and entrepreneurs seeking funding under the Horizon Europe programme.

RTE LAB – expertise & project idea

Controlled VR/AR environments for researching healthy digital engagement, attention and well-being in young people.

EXPERTISE

- **XR/AR solutions for ADHD**, autism spectrum support, psychoeducation, mindfulness and interactive learning
- User-centred design, rapid prototyping, usability testing and pilot deployment on standalone VR headsets
- Anonymised in-app telemetry: session flow, attention proxies, task completion, choices and self-assessment

PROJECT IDEA

- Move beyond screen-time debate: compare passive, game-like, communicative and guided digital experiences
- Measure impact on **attention, motivation, self-regulation, social interaction, learning behaviours** and **well-being**
- Include children and adolescents, including neurodiverse users, together with parents and educators

TRANSFO-04 topics & RTE contribution

Topic of interest: HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04 — impact of digital tools outside school and for communication on educational outcomes and mental health.

POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTION

- **VR/AI research scenarios** for structured digital engagement, digital leisure, communication and mindfulness
- **Behavioural data for experimental pilots:** time-on-task, interaction patterns, session flow, self-assessment
- AI-supported reflection modules helping students, parents and educators discuss digital habits and well-being

ADDED VALUE

- Technology, pilot & behavioural data partner complementing academic research and school-level implementation
- Inclusive UX know-how for **ADHD/ASD** and vulnerable groups, reducing overload and improving accessibility
- Evidence-based design guidelines and practical recommendations for schools, parents, educators and policymakers

Consortium role: SME technology partner for measurable, repeatable and safe digital environments.



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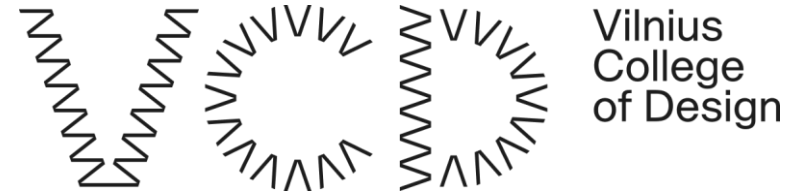
VILNIUS COLLEGE OF DESIGN (VCD)

An interdisciplinary higher education institution integrating:

- design and creative industries
- digital technologies and emerging media
- cross-sector collaboration and educational innovation

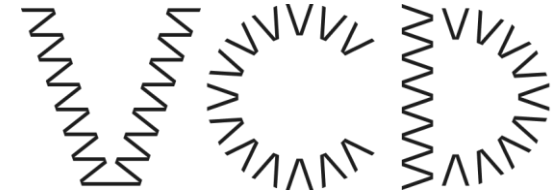
WHAT VCD BRINGS TO CONSORTIA?

- ✓ Practice-based co-creation labs
- ✓ Cultural ecosystem analysis and mapping
- ✓ Interdisciplinary experimentation methodologies



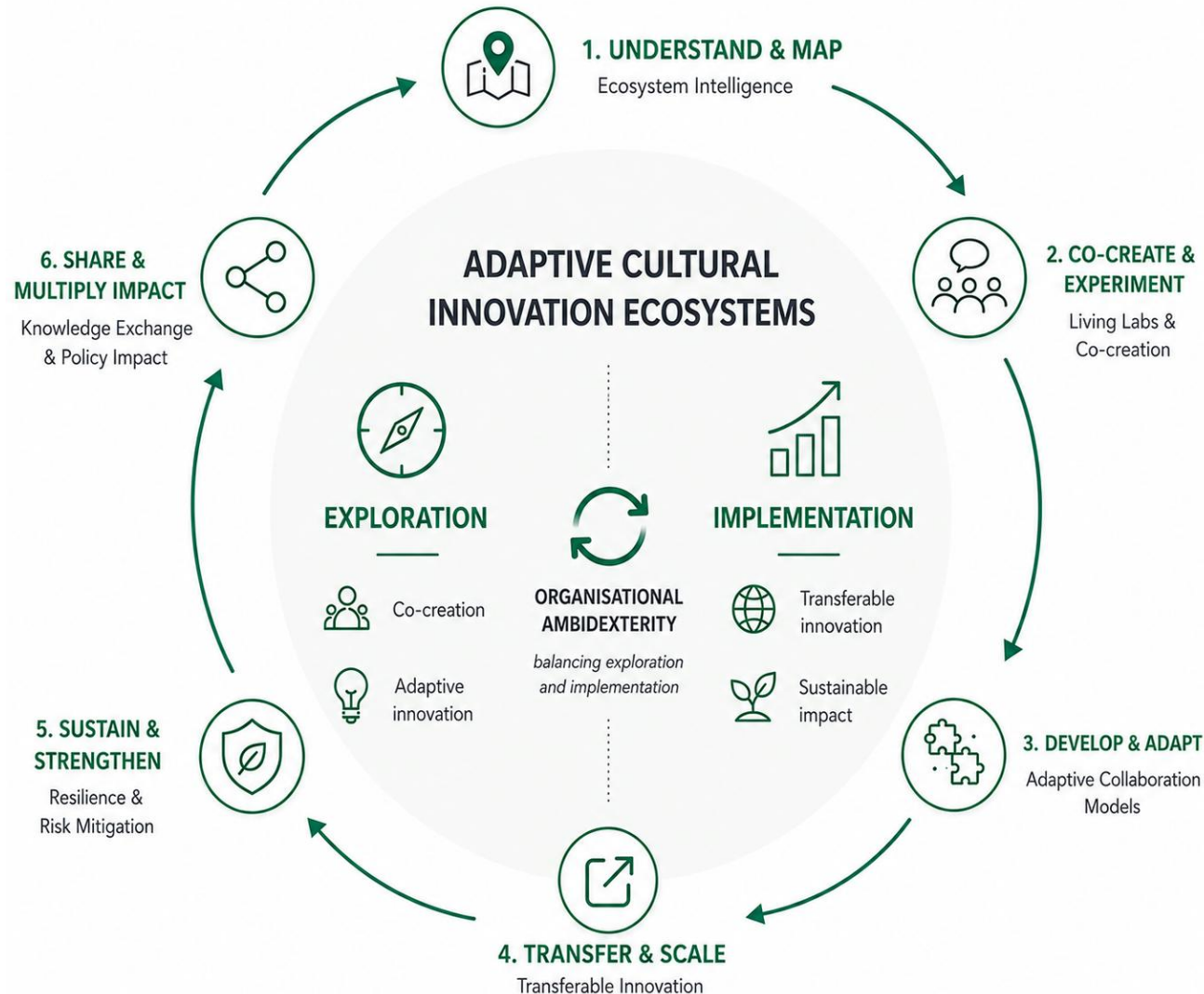
TOPICS OF INTEREST:

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HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04
HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04
HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10



ADAPTIVE CULTURAL INNOVATION ECOSYSTEMS

Bridging experimentation and sustainable implementation



CURRENT PARTNERS:

Klaipeda University (Lithuania)

Lithuanian Innovation Centre (Lithuania)

Creative Industries Institute (Poland)

PRAHO! PROJECT (Czech Republic)

STOKHOLM! PROJECT (Sweden)

IN SEARCH OF PARTNERS:

Research and Academia/Policy & Networks

Creative and Cultural Sector/SMEs and Industry

Partners from Africa, the Far East,

South-East Asia, Latin America

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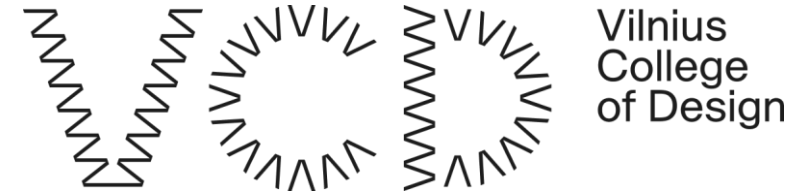
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Umio App

**Healthy digital play for early
childhood learning**

Veronika Fridrich Golian

Our expertise/Project idea

- Slovak SME developing **Umio**: a calm, story-based digital learning environment for young children. Long term – guide to **metacognition**.
- **Team**: game based learning expert, children's psychology scientist, game architect, curriculum expert, developer.

Topics of interest

- **Main fit: HORIZON-CL2-2021-01-TRANSFO-04**
 - The impact of the use of digital tools outside school and for communication on educational outcomes and mental health.
- **Additional fit: TRANSFO-03 and -05**
 - disadvantaged children's access to quality ECEC.
 - effective use of AI in pre-primary and primary education.

Potential contribution

- Healthy digital use in ECEC, positive use of screen time.
- Focus on early cognitive skills & literacy, metacognition, and parental mediation.
- **Evidence on learning and well-being, metacognitive development.**
- Open to building a consortium with:
 - child development / education researchers,
 - experimental and quasi-experimental evaluation experts,
 - ECEC / pilot site partners,
 - AI and responsible-AI specialists.

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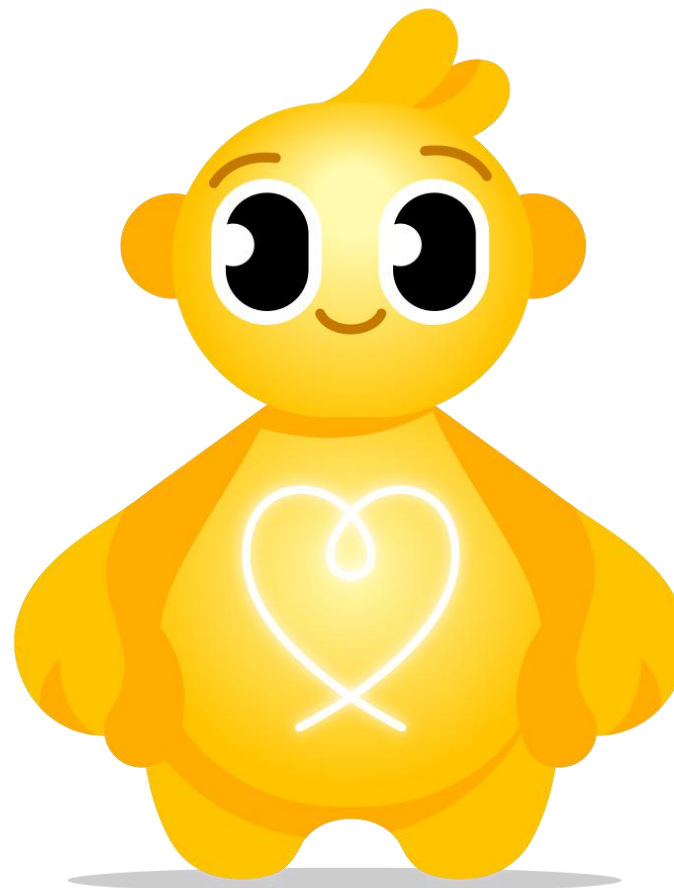
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**Thank you
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