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Digital Society Initiative (DSI)

# Digital Society Initiative – February 2022



Dear interested parties, dear researchers

We hope you have had a great start to 2022.

In line with the relaxation of the COVID safety measures, we are offering you the opportunity to once again exchange ideas in person and to look into the future together at a non-virtual event. Our DSI Lecture Series «The Future of Work» is our main topic for the first DSI News of this year.

Other topics include our DSI communities, selected inaugural lectures in the spring semester, the winning projects of the DIZH Rapid Action Call, funny cat videos, and an overview of exciting events on digital transformation.

We look forward to welcoming you to the DSI Lecture Series «The Future of Work» at Rämistrasse 69.

Enjoy the reading.

The Digital Society Initiative team

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## News



## DSI LECTURE SERIES

# «The Future of Work»

Rapid technological advancements, demographic changes, societal shifts in values, and other forces are dramatically re-shaping the world of work. **But what will the future of work hold?**

In the Lecture Series [«The Future of Work»](#), academics and policymakers explore different aspects of how the world of work will look in the future.

The events are **open to the public, free of charge** and take place at our premises at Rämistrasse 69 in Zurich. **On-site childcare** is available upon request.

**Wednesday, March 2:** [«Why the future of work is funny»](#) with Prof. Dr. Jamie Gloor

**Wednesday, March 9:** [«The precarious future\(s\) of gig work: Migration, datafication & financialization»](#) with Prof. Dr. Niels van Doorn

**Tuesday, March 22:** [«The future of humanitarian work in light of digitalisation»](#) with Philippe Stoll

**Wednesday, May 18:** [«The end of work: why it won't happen»](#) with Prof. Dr. Daniel Oesch

**Wednesday, June 1:** [«Time and well-being in the future of work»](#) with Dr. Laura M. Giurge

All interested parties are cordially invited. We look forward to welcoming you at the DSI.

*Note: We have moved one date. The lecture series will begin on March 2 and the April 20 date will be cancelled.*

## New & in the making

We are pleased to introduce the new **DSI Community Libraries**. This community addresses the cross-cutting topics of «**Data Science**» and «**Digital Literacy**» and aims to support the future development of library services, the creation of new services for research, and collaboration between academic libraries and the scientific community.

Another **DSI Community** is already **in the making**. On February 11, twelve interested people met to develop wishes and visions for a DSI Community that will deal with the **interplay of digitalization and societal sustainability transformations**. Read more about the kick-off event [here](#).



### NEW MICROSITES

## Gaming & Mobility

Still new, although already part of our DSI universe for almost a year, is the **Community Gaming**. Find out on the brand new [microsite](#) what the community has been up to in the last few months, what goals it is pursuing and who is involved.

Already a seasoned member of the DSI Communities and now in a new look: our **DSI Community Mobility**. Find out more about the 12 projects and 33 members [here](#).

All other **DSI Communities** can be found [here](#).

### SPRING SEMESTER 2022

## Inaugural Lectures

We are pleased to announce eight exciting **inaugural lectures** by colleagues from the

DSI network.

At inaugural lectures, professors newly appointed to the UZH as well as newly appointed private lecturers **present** their **field of research**. The lectures are **open to the public**, **free of charge** and take place in the Aula of the University of Zurich, Zentrum.

**March 7: Prof. Dr. Nathalie Giroud** / «Ich verstehe dich nicht. Bin ich schwerhörig oder schwer von Begriff? Zwischen gesunden und pathologischen Hirnveränderungen im Alter.»

**March 21: Prof. Dr. Manuel Günther** / «How Algorithms Know that they Don't Know – Open-Set in Classification and Face Recognition»

**March 21: Prof. Dr. habil. Thomas Zerback** / «Soziale Medien als Quelle politischer Meinungsbildung»

**April 4: Prof. Dr. Jürgen Bernard** / «Interacting with Data»

**May 9: Prof. Dr. Jan Dirk Wegner** / «Large-scale analysis of geospatial data with machine learning»

**May 9: Prof. Dr. Lorenz Langer** / «Einfach Recht sprechen»? Gerichte zwischen Politik und Richterrecht

**May 9: Prof. Dr. Lauren Christine Howe** / «The Human Side of the Future of Work»

**May 16: Prof. Dr. Marie-Luis Merten** / #bodylove auf Instagram: Körperbilder konstruieren und kommentieren

Congratulations and good luck!

## DIZH INNOVATION PROGRAM

### Jury selects nine projects

Researchers in the canton of Zurich are responding to immediate challenges with measures that can be implemented quickly. The [Digitalization Initiative of the Zurich Higher Education Institutions \(DIZH\)](#) supports this process with the **Rapid Action Call**. The goal: to enable innovative solutions.

A jury consisting of twelve specialists from the participating universities **selected nine projects** from 33 applications, which will be funded with a total of CHF 1.2 million.

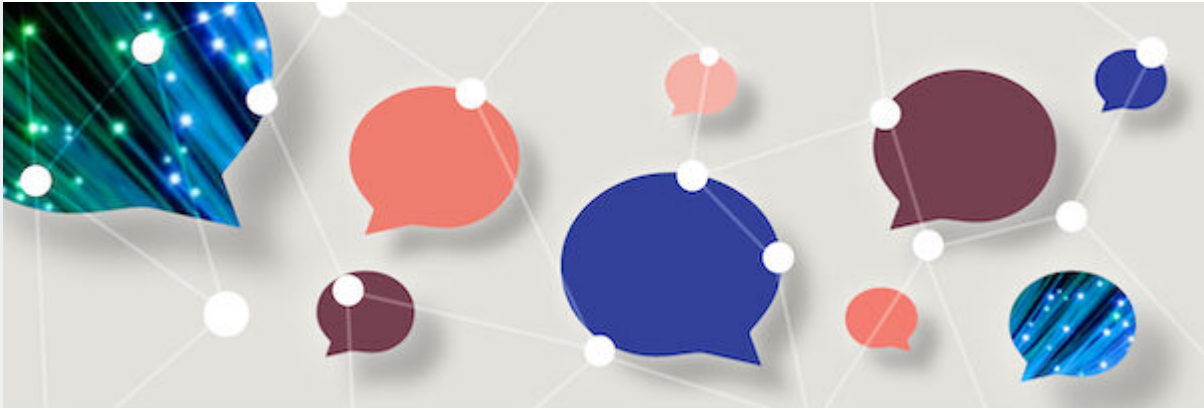
Learn more about the nine winning projects [here](#).

# DSI on Social Media

More than funny cats and steeled bodies. We feed **social media** with content on **digital transformation**.

Follow us on [Twitter](#) & [LinkedIn](#) to stay up to date.

#digitalization #digitaltransformation



## Events

**03.03.**

### Wie sehen die Lernräume der Zukunft aus?

«Ideen für die Gestaltung von sinnlich erfahrbaren digital Spaces» with Charlotte Axelsson, Head of E-Learning, ZHdK

This event is presented as part of the event series «Bildung und Digitalität». Organized by the Zurich University of Teacher Education (PHZH)

[More information](#)

**24.03.**

### DSI Democracy meets Stiftung Mercator Schweiz

Topic: «Desinformation als Herausforderung für die Digitale Demokratie»

[More information](#)

**04.04.**

### Forensics on the Holodeck

Speaker: Lars Elmer und Till Sieberth, co-heads of the 3D Center Zurich at the University of Zurich

Part of the public lecture series «Immersive Arts - Immersion and Extended Realities», organized by the Zurich University of the Arts (ZhdK)

[More information](#)

**8.-9.06.**

## **European Workshop on Algorithmic Fairness (EWAf'22)**

A two-day workshop bringing together European researchers working on algorithmic fairness.

The workshop will take place at the DSI premises.

[More information](#)

**till 6.6.**

## **Planet Digital**

Self-learning algorithms, rare earths, and robots bestowing blessings: In the exhibition Planet Digital, mounted by the University of Zurich and the Museum für Gestaltung Zürich, innovative research teams meet up with creative minds from the fields of design and art. In around 25 installations, they invite visitors to experience the science of digitalization with all their senses.

[More information](#)

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