

From mainstream citizen science to new conceptualizations: insights from the cultural heritage sector



Citizen science and universities

The purpose of this working group is to advocate and support the embedding of citizen science activities at the university level, both for research and education purposes.

We hope to support universities in carrying out citizen science research projects by:

- strengthening infrastructure
- expanding the role of libraries
- sharing practices, templates, policies and training programmes
- building (or alding) consortia for research applications.

We also hope to support education by including citizen science in curricula. Building on several excellent cases in the larger citizen science community, our aim is to advocate for and share best practices, not only at the university level (bachelor, master and PhD) but also with regards to including secondary schools and high schools in citizen science programmes.

The European Citizen Science Association (ECSA) and its Working Group "[Citizen science and universities](#)" in the series of monthly webinars, will host a webinar on October 26 (16 CET) with three partners of the [CitizenHeritage](#) project. The topic of the 1h webinar is "From mainstream citizen science to new conceptualizations: insights from the cultural heritage sector".

Presentations:

- Katerina Zourou, Web2Learn. "Review of practices of Higher Education engagement in citizen enhanced open science in the area of cultural heritage?"
- Fred Truyen, KU Leuven. "CitizenHeritage: giving citizens a voice in Heritage studies?"
- Trilce Navarrete, Erasmus University Rotterdam. "Measuring the benefits of civic participation in academic research?"

This webinar is held by the Erasmus+ KA2 project CitizenHeritage: Citizen Science Practices in Cultural Heritage: towards a Sustainable Model in Higher Education.