

Workshop Invitation: Switzerland: Agenda2030

Switzerland faces significant challenges, implementing the energy transition, while protecting important habitats. As scientists we study these systems, and endeavour to provide decision-makers with the data that supports the development of effective environmental policies.

But what is it like to be one of these decision-makers? What difficulties do they encounter? How do they respond to incentives, social pressures and conflicts? What makes instigating systemic change so difficult?

We would like to invite you to participate in an immersive serious game session, to explore in a live interactive context what trade-offs and synergies exist between the need for new green energy infrastructure, and biodiversity conservation.



The game "Switzerland Agenda 2030" is developed as part of the Engage Joint Initiative, funded by the ETH domain. The project explores how the academic community can better support decision-makers, and what dialogue platforms and capacity development tools could best facilitate effective knowledge exchange.

Tailored serious games have the potential to bridge the gap between science, policy, and public understanding. Participants can develop and test new ideas, collaborate on solutions, and make decision-making processes more transparent. The game integrates multiple stakeholder groups, all having to make decisions while navigating uncertainty, knowledge gaps, conflicting values, perspectives and priorities. By making complexity playable, games could empower decision-makers to co-create more informed, adaptive, and inclusive environmental policies.

This workshop is specifically organized to invite the academic community to experience and discuss the potentials and challenges of using serious games for strengthening the science-policy dialogue.

Date: Monday 1st of September | 13.00-17.00

Location: WSL - Birmensdorf

Costs: Free, Aperio included (limited places available)

Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/CHAgenda2030>

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