# "Citizen Science: Bridging Theory and Practice"

## 29th April, 2025

### Vilnius University Library, Scholarly Communication and Information Centre (SCIC), Saulėtekio al. 5, Vilnius

**Conference moderator:** *Dr. Monika Mačiulienė (Lithuanian Citizen Science Association, RECS CONCEPT)*

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| *9:00 – 9:30* | *Registration* |
| *9:30 – 9:45* | *Welcome speech (TBA)* |
| *9:45 – 10.45* | *Anne Kathrine Overgaard, Thomas Kaarsted (University Library of Southern Denmark)*<br><br>***"Citizen Science: Libraries as Enablers of Impactful Research and Community Engagement"*** |
| *10:45 – 11:25* | *Gintaras Jonaitis (Vilnius Tech)*<br><br>***"How Engineers Like to Play. Technologies that Engage Citizens in Participation (Communication) with Scientists"*** |
| *11:25 – 12:00* | *Prof. Dr. Eglė Butkevičienė (Kaunas University of Technology)*<br><br>***"Citizen Science Ecosystem: Concept and Context"*** |
| *12:00 – 12:30* | *Coffee break* |
| *12:30 – 13:15* | *Dr. Etienne Serbe (Ludwig Maximilian University, Max Plank Institute for Biological Intelligence, project "Backyard Brains")*<br><br>***"Citizen Science – in and out of the Lab"*** |
| *13:15 – 14.00* | *Dr. Giedrė Godienė (Vilnius University)*<br><br>***"Participatory Joint GIS Mapping: Citizens Science and Sense of Belonging"*** |
| *14:00 – 14:30* | *Discussion* |

**BIOS**

**PROF. DR. EGLĖ BUTKEVIČIENĖ** (*Kaunas University of Technology*) is Professor of Sociology at Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania, and a member of EUA's Expert Group on Open Science. She is also a founding member of the Citizen Science Association in Lithuania and serves as member of Board of Directors of the European Citizen Science Association.

**ANNE KATHRINE OVERGAARD** (*University of Southern Denmark*) is the Head of Research Support and Innovation at SDU's Health Science Faculty. She has worked as a knowledge broker and project manager in Citizen Science since 2017 and founded the SDU CS Center with Thomas Kaarsted. She is a member of the LIBER CS Working Group.

**THOMAS KAARSTED** (*University of Southern Denmark*) is the Deputy Library Director and Director of the SDU Citizen Science Knowledge Center. He is the manager of several big-scale CS-projects, has worked within the field since 2017 and is member of the LIBER Executive Board.

**DR. ETIENNE SERBE** *(Max Planck Institute for Biological Intelligence)* – Visual Neuroscientist and Senior Scientist at Backyard Brains. Co-Founder of the science collective "hirnkastl" which focuses on Citizen Science and Communication.

**DR. GIEDRĖ GODIENĖ** (*Vilnius University*) – lecturer at the Department of Geography and Landscape Management at Vilnius University, an active expert in public engagement on landscape-related issues, and an enthusiast of informal geographic education.

**GINTARAS JONAITIS** *(Vilnius Tech)* – researcher, teacher at Vilnius Tech Engineering Lyceum and engineer at the "Inovatorius.tech" project.