

NRP 78 - Scientific «Reality Check» Short Event

Wednesday 17th November 2021
Afternoon Online Session 13h30 – 17h00

- Virtual Meeting (Zoom in combination with Gather Town, link will be provided after enrolment)
- 200 invited researchers from NRP 78, Special Call on Coronaviruses as well as further interested researchers (participation is voluntary).

Objectives

- Facilitate the scientific exchange in all modules and amongst NRP 78 and Special Call researchers
- Specific information and exchange due to the dynamic research field with special focus on ensuring that all projects are on track with their research focuses
- Discussion of current or upcoming challenges in the research projects
- «Reality Check»: comparison of current research reality with global pandemic development and changes in the research field

Programme

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Time	Programme
13:30 – 13:45	Login and Set-up
13:45 – 14:00	Welcome, Introduction and Programme News Marcel Salathé, President of the Steering Committee
14:10 – 14:50	«Digital contact tracing: development and evaluation of the NHS Covid-19 app, and learnings for the future» Christophe Fraser, Big Data Institute, Oxford University UK
14:50 – 15:40	Input Presentations with following discussion round State of Research / Preliminary Results / Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: Diverse Strategies to Attenuate SARS-CoV-2 (Project Volker Thiel – Module 1) • Session 2: On the Benefit of Multi-class Lesion Segmentation for Severity Assessment in Covid-19 Patients (Project Alexander Pöllinger – Module 3) • Session 3: Associations between COVID-19 vaccination status, masking, and social distancing over time: Findings from the 2021 vaccine rollout period in Switzerland (Project Thomas Friemel – Module 2) • Session 4: Impact of the Coronavirus Pandemic on Tourists' Travel Intentions - An interactive perspective (Project Timo Ohnmacht – Module 2)
15:40 – 15:50	Short Break
15:50 – 16:40	Poster Sessions in Gather Town – with small Discussion Rounds Discussion topics according to poster content (one fix presenter per poster table; other participants free floating)
16:40 – 16:50	«Reality Check» Polling Interactive online survey with questions/hypotheses about latest developments and disruptures in the research field (current topics: evolving research frame in CH, changing overall perspective globally, negative/positive factors influencing research, etc.)
16:50 – 17:00	Conclusions and Outlook Marcel Salathé, President of the Steering Committee