

## Our project

With our platform *Bürger schaffen Wissen*, we are the network node for citizen science in Germany. We consider it our task to further develop citizen science in Germany, to make the approach better known and to provide information about projects that encourage people to participate in research. On the one hand, our services are aimed at citizens who are interested in participating in research in various fields and who would like to get actively involved in science. On the other hand, we address scientists and disseminators from institutions who want to gain information themselves about citizen science, exchange ideas and network.

In addition, we support all those who would like to initiate and implement a project. To this end, we offer a range of **publications and resources** and provide **news** from the world of citizen science, information about the projects on the platform and developments at *Bürger schaffen Wissen* on our blog as well as in our newsletter and via our social media channels.



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## Our events

At *Bürger schaffen Wissen* we regularly organise digital **trainings workshops**. In various modules you will be familiarised with the concept of citizen science. The aim is for you to be able to develop your own projects and act as a regional disseminator and contact person for citizen science.

Once a month, we meet online for our **Bürger schaffen Wissen lunch break** and discuss current topics with our community. These can be, for instance, experiences gained from projects, current research on citizen science, tips on communication or results from the working groups. The lunch breaks are open to anyone who is interested.

Up to twice a year we invite members of the working groups to our **network meetings**. At the meetings we exchange information about current developments in the community, offer space for networking, especially between the working groups, and discuss the strategic development of citizen science and the network itself.

Our annual conference, Forum Citizen Science Germany, addresses the citizen science community and offers workshops, discussions, project presentations and plenty of networking opportunities. Contributions can be submitted via a call for proposals. The event is organised in cooperation with local partners.

Find the latest information at [www.forum-citizenscience.de](http://www.forum-citizenscience.de).



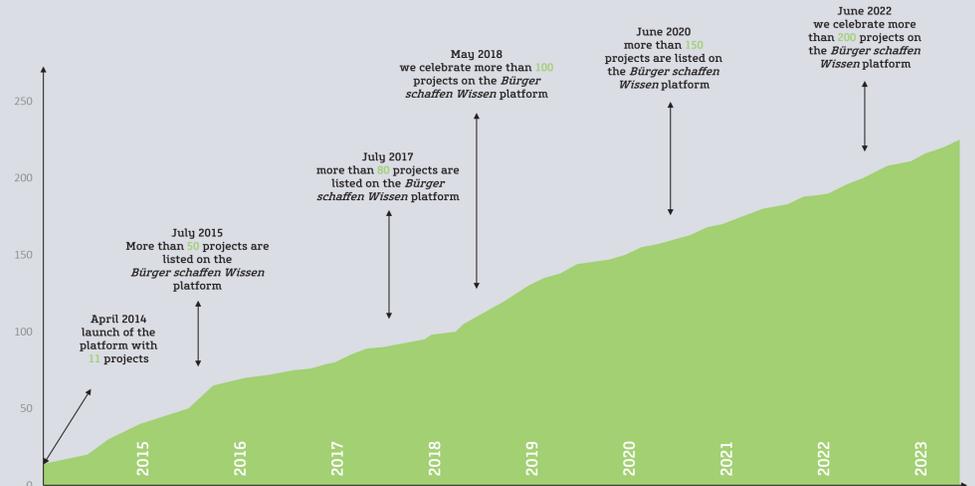
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## The working groups

Even though each citizen science project is unique, there are similar themes and questions that connect the project initiators. In our working groups these themes are taken up and explored. Whether it is about the realisation of **citizen science projects in schools**, regional or international networks and activities in the **region of Berlin-Brandenburg**, in **Western Germany** or in the **German-speaking countries**, or the **evaluation** of and **research about citizen science** - the working groups are initiated by individuals in the network and are open to anyone who is interested. Working groups on citizen science in **medical and health research**, on **legal issues related to citizen science** and on the **strategic development of citizen science in Germany** are actively shaping the future of citizen science. A **framework paper** regulates the cooperation of the working groups with *Bürger schaffen Wissen*. Find more information on our website and get involved!

## The platform

Since April 2014, we have been presenting citizen science projects from all over Germany on our platform. Several new projects are added every month! The projects are characterised by a great variety - ranging from biodiversity to urban history, from participation via mobile applications to field research.



## Who we are

The project *Bürger schaffen Wissen* and the associated online platform were established in November 2013. *Bürger schaffen Wissen* is run by **Museum für Naturkunde Berlin** and **Wissenschaft im Dialog GmbH**. We are funded by the **German Federal Ministry of Education and Research**.

It is important to us to develop our activities for and with the community. Therefore, we are always open to suggestions, feedback or ideas for joint events.

## Our mission

We, the team of *Bürger schaffen Wissen*, consider it our mission to raise awareness of citizen science in Germany and to provide information about projects that invite people to participate in research. We connect actors across disciplines and institutions, follow and shape the current discourse on the potential of citizen science and work on the strategic development of citizen science, including in international working groups.

## Get involved

You have an idea for a joint event or would like to run a workshop together with us? Feel free to contact us via [info@buergerschaffenwissen.de](mailto:info@buergerschaffenwissen.de).