

## UZH Space Hub Newsletter



Dear UZH Space Hub Community

In this newsletter, you can find interesting news, events and space-related opportunities in the Swiss landscape and beyond.

Have a nice read,

UZH Space Hub Team

### News

#### World Biodiversity Forum 2022



From June 26 to July 1, 2022, the World Biodiversity Forum took place in Davos with a focus on how to slow down species loss and protect ecosystems. Numerous UZH Space Hub members attended this conference, organised by UZH to inspire action by bringing together researchers and practitioners.

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#### Federal Council decided to enhance the support for start-ups

On June 22, the Federal Council decided to initiate the launch of a Swiss Innovation Fund in order to improve growth financing opportunities of Swiss startups and respond to developments in other countries. A first operational draft will be developed by early 2023.

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#### Innovation in space and local economic development: UZH Space Hub at the 3rd Volketswil Economic Forum

Under the title "Volketswil - Aerospace Cluster of the Future?", Jean-Philippe Pinto, Mayor of Volketswil, invited regional industry and commerce to the third Volketswil Economic Forum. The aim of the event was to identify opportunities and possibilities for Volketswil in connection with the development of the National Innovation Park Zurich in Dübendorf. Jean-Philippe Pinto and Daniel North presented perspectives of industrial cluster formation in Volketswil and explained their concepts for economic development.

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### Events

#### IAC 2022 Paris

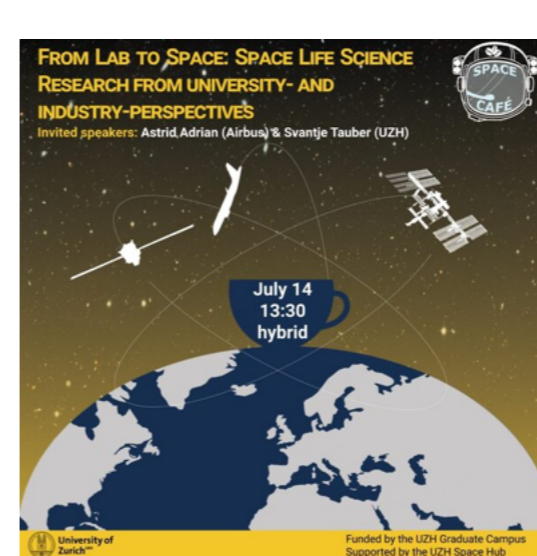
The next International Astronautical Congress will take place from September 18 to 22, 2022 in Paris. The motto of this year is "Space for @ll", to bring together all communities along with the global ecosystem of start-ups, entrepreneurs, laboratories, research scientists and manufacturers involved in space activities. The Swiss presence is coordinated by the Space Exchange Switzerland, together with Présence Suisse and swissnex. More Information and registration in the link below.



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#### Space Café - From Lab to Space: Space Life Science Research

How do organisms such as the human body react to the Space environment? Space Life Sciences investigate this in the challenging Space environment. Listen to Svantje Tauber (University of Zurich) and Astrid Adrian (Airbus Defence and Space) talking about the challenges of preparing and performing biological experiments in weightlessness, considering biological, technical, and operational aspects. Join us on **July 14, 2022, at 13:30**. This event will take place in a hybrid mode, on-site (Irchel campus) and online. Free registration on our webpage.



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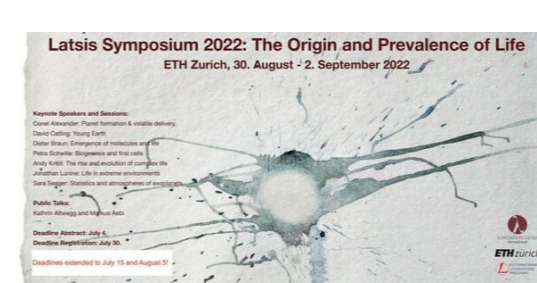
#### Innovathon 2022: The Digitalization of Mobility

Are you a Master or PhD student at UZH? Join the Innovathon, develop new and innovative solutions and get 3 ECTS! This Fall Semester, the DSI Mobility community together with the Innovation Hub will offer again the Innovathon "Digitalization of Mobility". Students will learn about the subject area. In interdisciplinary teams, they will develop new, innovative concepts as they tackle real world challenges posed by partnering companies. At the end of the Innovathon, the teams will present their solutions to a jury. You can find more information about this year's Innovathon on the website of the [Innovation Hub](#) or the [School of Transdisciplinary Studies](#) or in the [course catalogue](#) and watch out for the contribution of the UZH Space Hub community.



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#### Extended deadlines for Latsis Symposium 2022: Origin and Prevalence of Life



What is life? Where, when and how did life arise on Earth? What ingredients were likely present and how were they delivered to Earth? Under what conditions is life possible and is life likely to exist on other planets or celestial bodies? The "Origin and Prevalence of Life" Latsis symposium will discuss the current understanding of possible answers to these questions, highlight controversial viewpoints, and help prioritize and coordinate future research activities at the national and international level. The Latsis symposium will take place at ETH Zurich, from August 30 to September 2, 2022.

Deadline for abstract submission: July 15, 2022

Deadline for the symposium registration: August 5, 2022

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### Opportunities

#### Space Internship abroad

Are you interested in doing an internship abroad, e.g., with a big space company or even at ESA? Did you know that you can apply for monetary support through the Swiss-European Mobility Programme and there are even some grants reserved for Space internships? Check out some details in the link below and contact us or [info@space-exchange.ch](mailto:info@space-exchange.ch) for more information.

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#### Innovation Booster "Applied Circular Sustainability"



Do you have an idea for recyclable products and projects? Apply by August 1, 2022, to the Innovation Booster Applied Circular Sustainability, which supports circular solutions, financially and through expertise from research, industry and business. The goal is to give Swiss companies and Swiss society a powerful boost in the system changeover from a linear to a circular economy. The NTN Innovation Boosters are provided by Innosuisse.

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#### Boost your Innovation through partnerships with Israel

The Swiss-Israeli Lean Launchpad programme offers you an insight into the inner workings of the Israeli startup nation. Are you a Swiss health tech or life sciences startup and interested in the Israeli Startup Nation? Then this programme might be just the right fit. The Swiss-Israeli Lean Launchpad is an intensive 10-week startup exchange programme.

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