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Collaboration Booklet

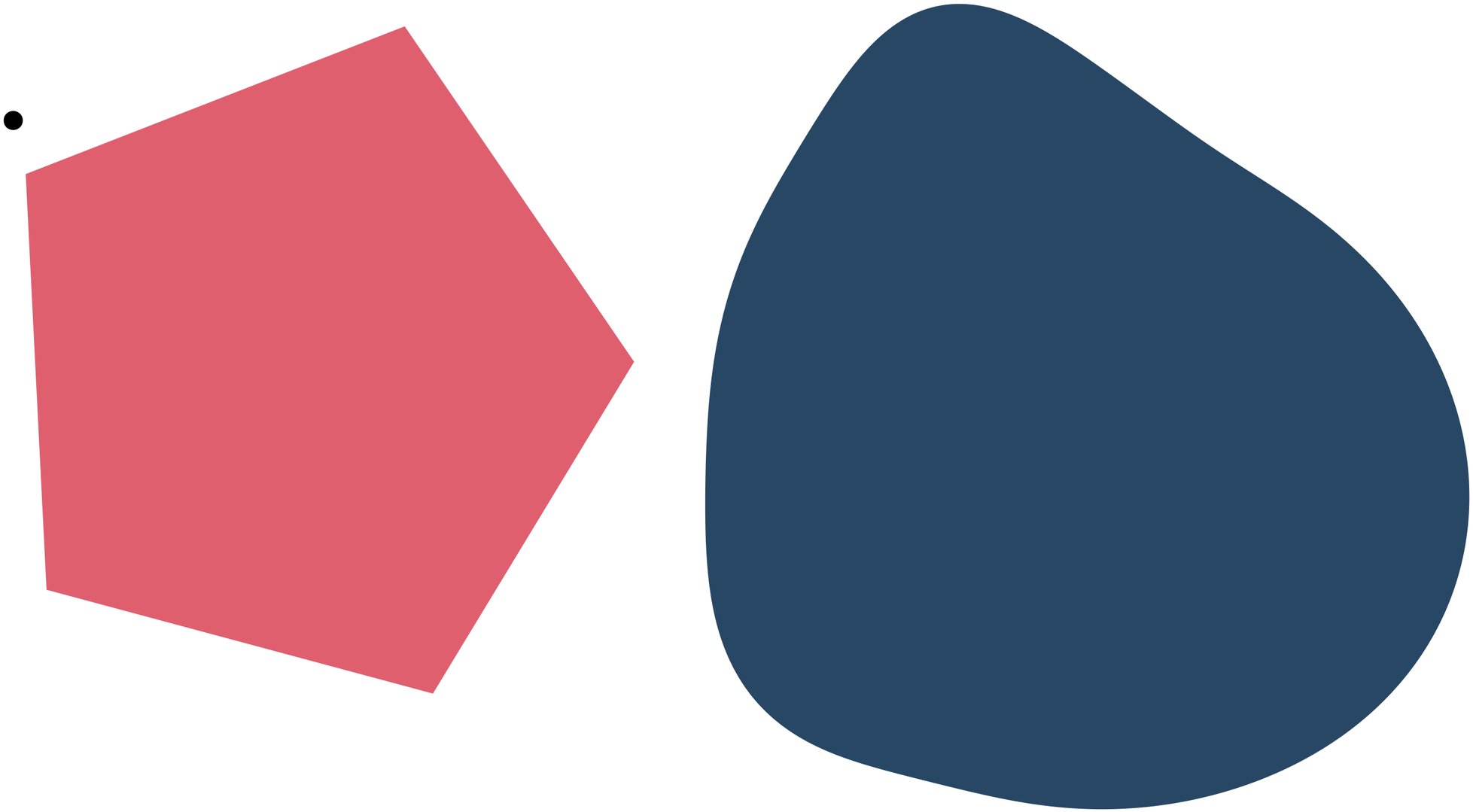
# Meet. Connect. Collaborate.

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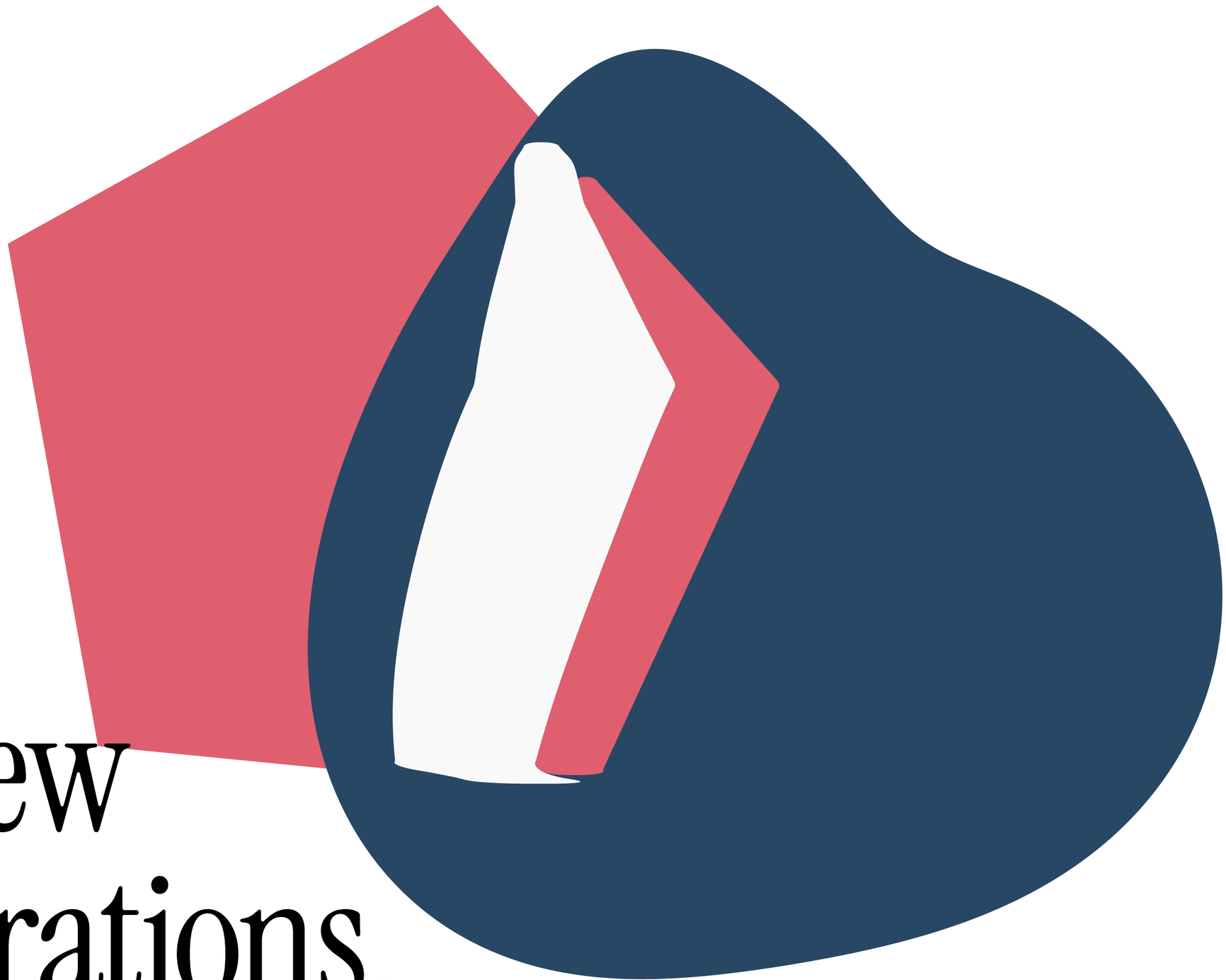
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6 selected projects
looking for partners

# Discover ideas.



# Meet potential partners.



# Start new collaborations.

# SOCIN 2026 a space for ideas, exchange and collaboration

**SOCIN 2026 brings together researchers, experts and practitioners interested in addressing current social challenges through research, innovation and collaboration.**

The conference creates a meeting space for people representing different disciplines, countries and sectors. Alongside academic discussion, we aim to foster relationships that can lead to new research initiatives, international consortia, applied projects and solutions with a tangible social and economic impact.

One of the ways we pursue this goal is through the Collaboration Tables networking session—a space designed to connect people, expertise and ideas around specific opportunities for future collaboration.

# What are Collaboration Tables?

**Collaboration Tables is a moderated networking session designed to connect people and organisations around specific project ideas.**

## From networking to collaboration

Complex research and implementation projects require collaboration among multiple stakeholders around a shared topic, yet these actors are often difficult to identify and connect. A conference provides a valuable opportunity to bring them together. We therefore create a space where researchers and representatives of business, NGOs, public institutions and other organisations can quickly identify a shared area of interest and discuss possible collaboration.

During the session, each of the six selected projects will have its own numbered networking table. A team representative will introduce the project, its needs and its directions for further development.

Conference participants will be able to visit the tables of their choice, learn about the projects and talk directly with their authors.

## The goal is simple:
## Find a point of connection and explore what you could build together.

# How did the Call for Collaboration work?

## From an open call to six Collaboration Tables

Before the conference, we announced the Call for Collaboration—an open call for projects seeking partners for further development.

Applicants presented the topic and a brief project description, and also:

> what they need to develop the project further,
> what kinds of partners they are looking for,
> what expertise and resources they can offer,
> where they see opportunities for international collaboration,
> the project's potential for practical application.

Through this approach, our goal was to evaluate submitted ideas not only as research projects, but above all as pot emerging digital infrastructure ential platforms for future collaboration.

## The process

**Open Call → Project Submission →→ Evaluation →→→→ →→→→→→ →→→→→→→→ 6 Selected Projects →Collaboration Tables**

When selecting the projects, we paid particular attention to the potential for international collaboration, the practical application of results, cooperation with businesses, NGOs or institutions, and transdisciplinarity.

From the submissions, we selected six projects that will be presented during the Collaboration Tables.

# Meet the Selected Projects

# 1 Integral Rehabilitation for Ageing Societies: A New Paradigm for Value Creation

Project lead:
Ilona Ogurcova

Affiliation:
Mykolas Romeris University (MRU)

Current collaborator:
Prof. Natalija Istomina

## What is the project about?

The project aims to develop and validate an **Integral Rehabilitation Management Model for ageing societies**, extending current integrated care approaches towards multidimensional value creation.

It conceptualises integrality as a management paradigm that combines health, social care and community resources to create value for older people. Human dignity is treated as one essential dimension of this value, alongside autonomy, participation, continuity of care and biopsychosocial well-being.

The project is currently at the concept development stage and is moving towards international consortium building, comparative research, co-design and pilot implementation.

# Why does it matter?

This initiative transforms rehabilitation practice by supporting **value-based, integrated and person-centred care** and by developing implementation tools and operational guidelines for ageing societies.

**We are looking for:**

> researchers in integrated care, rehabilitation, gerontology, social work, health policy and public management,
> experts in digital health, health economics and patient-reported outcomes,
> partners experienced in co-design, implementation research and comparative studies,
> healthcare and rehabilitation providers,
> municipalities and public authorities,
> NGOs,
> digital health innovators,
> partners interested in pilot testing and EU collaborative research.

# What we bring

**We offer expertise in:**

> integrated health and social care,
> rehabilitation management,
> value-based healthcare,
> mixed-methods research,
> conceptual model development,
> empirical validation,
> stakeholder co-design,
> policy analysis.

The team brings an innovative **Integral Rehabilitation Management Model** and experience in interdisciplinary and international research collaboration.

# What could we build together?

**Potential collaboration may include:**

> comparative international research,
> co-design with older adults and practitioners,
> cross-country validation of the model,
> pilot implementation,
> joint policy recommendations,
> joint publications,
> future **Horizon Europe proposals**.

# 2 Quantum Collective Wisdom: Building Relational and Narrative Resilience in the Age of AI and Polycrisis

Project lead:
Aleksandra Hirszfeld, PhD

Affiliation:
Quantum Collective Wisdom—
independent research and
social innovation initiative

## What is the project about?

Across the social sector, people and organisations working for the common good generate valuable practical knowledge about cooperation, trust, conflict, coalition-building and collective action. Yet much of this know-how remains undocumented and disappears when projects end.

**Quantum Collective Wisdom** (**QCW**) is a research-based methodology and emerging digital infrastructure designed to capture these real human experiences, preserve their context and transform them into reusable collective knowledge.

QCW starts with a REAL CASE. Relevant Human Experience, research and evidence are brought together through an Experience Landscape combining Knowledge, AI-supported Action Pathways and Peer Learning. The user selects and adapts what is useful, takes real-world action and returns for a Structured Debrief. What happened becomes new Human Experience and enriches the growing Collective Wisdom resource.
Collective Wisdom grows through use.

# Why does it matter?

**QCW has three interconnected aims:**

> **preserve social-sector know-how** that is currently difficult to document, compare and reuse,
> **understand how people move from individual agency towards collective action** including by measuring changes in relational agency at T0–T1–T2,
> **translate this knowledge into Relational Fitness**—practical learning that helps people, teams and institutions strengthen their capacity to cooperate across differences.

The social sector is therefore both an important beneficiary of QCW and a unique source of knowledge that can become useful far beyond it.

# We are looking for

> NGOs and social-purpose organisations willing to contribute a real case,
> practitioners with valuable successes, failures or unresolved challenges worth documenting,
> academic and research partners;
> organisations interested in testing the QCW process,
> experts in collective action, relational agency, responsible AI and impact evaluation.

# What we bring

> 100 in-depth interviews with Polish women social leaders developed through the Entuzjastki project,
> expertise in qualitative research, storytelling, education and social innovation,
> experience in documenting real human knowledge and social-change practice,
> an emerging methodology for turning dispersed experience into reusable Collective Wisdom.

# What could we build together?

New case studies, a growing Collective Wisdom database, comparative research, pilot programmes, improved methods for learning from real-world action, and **Relational Fitness** learning formats for people, teams and institutions.

# 3 The Future of the Living: Art, Design, Science, Technology and Posthuman Ecologies

Project team:
Arnaud Regnauld / Silvia Neri / Eva Llorca /
Evi Sampanikou / Modestos Stavrakis

Affiliation:
University Paris 8 / ERUA Research Clusters

Research clusters involved:
> PLEIADE. Peering Laboratories in Europe for Inclusive Arts Design and Experience,
> Art, Culture and the City. Re-thinking European Edge Urban Territories,
> Beyond Humanism. Confronting Crises Beyond Forms of Humanism.

## What is the project about?

In an era defined by ecological crisis and technological acceleration, this project explores **how art, science, design-led transdisciplinary research and society might collectively redefine the conditions of the living in a posthuman world**.

It brings together three ERUA research clusters and combines:
> philosophical critique of post/transhumanist subjectivity,
> transmedia and practice-based methodologies,
> urban fieldwork,
> art, design and ecological research.

The project examines changing relations between humans, machines and environments, including AI as a creative partner and hybrid entity, digital memory, synthetic ecologies, biomimicry, bio-art and art–design–science collaboration.

# Why does it matter?

The project addresses the intersection of **ecological crisis, technological change, AI, culture and society**.

Its outcomes may contribute to:
> ethical AI and digital ecology guidelines,
> ecological education,
> public engagement tools,
> art–science residency models,
> curatorial formats,
> urban-cultural innovation,
> policy debates on sustainable and care-centred futures.

# What we bring

We offer a transdisciplinary ERUA team combining:
> posthumanist theory,
> art and design research,
> urban fieldwork,
> transmedia methodologies,
> ecological critique,
> curatorial and research experience,
> practice-led methods linking art, science and society.

The project also builds on existing cooperation with the **Centre des Arts d'Enghien-les-Bains**.

# We are looking for

> researchers in arts, design, ecology, STS, AI and posthuman studies,
> experts in AI ethics, bio-art, biomimicry and digital ecologies,
> environmental humanities researchers,
> speculative design experts,
> art/science laboratories,
> museums and cultural institutions,
> ecological NGOs,
> public bodies working on urban or environmental transformation,
> ethical technology partners,
> access to laboratories, residencies and fieldwork sites.

# What could we build together?

Potential collaboration may include:
> comparative fieldwork,
> art–science residencies,
> seminars and exhibitions,
> shared publications,
> pilot art–science laboratories,
> experimental prototypes,
> research on human–machine–environment relations across ERUA sites,
> public engagement and ecological education initiatives.

# 4 Trustworthy Federated Intelligence for Next-Generation Public Services and Social Innovation

Project lead:
Mir Hassan

Affiliation:
Mykolas Romeris University (MRU)

Role:
Senior Researcher

ERUA Research Cluster member:
Yes

## What is the project about?

European public services increasingly depend on data-driven decision-making, but healthcare providers, municipalities, educational institutions, NGOs and public agencies often cannot collaborate effectively because sensitive data cannot be centrally shared.

The project aims to develop a **trustworthy federated intelligence framework** that enables secure, privacy-preserving, explainable and accountable AI across distributed organisations.

The goal is to establish interoperable AI infrastructures that strengthen public services, improve evidence-based policymaking and support socially responsible digital transformation across Europe.

# Why does it matter?

The project addresses a key challenge in digital public services: **how to use AI collaboratively without centralising sensitive data**.

Expected outcomes include:

> deployable AI frameworks,
> scalable digital public services,
> operational guidelines for trustworthy AI adoption,
> interoperable technical frameworks,
> policy recommendations supporting Europe's digital transformation.

# We are looking for

> universities and research institutes,
> municipalities and public authorities,
> hospitals and healthcare organisations,
> NGOs,
> SMEs and technology organisations,
> experts in public administration,
> healthcare and education researchers,
> social innovation experts,
> specialists in AI governance, ethics and law,
> cybersecurity experts,
> human-computer interaction researchers,
> digital policy experts.

Access to real-world pilot environments, living laboratories, public-sector datasets, municipalities and hospitals is particularly valuable.

# What we bring

We offer expertise in:

> trustworthy AI,
> federated intelligence,
> distributed machine learning,
> privacy-preserving analytics,
> communication-efficient AI,
> secure collaborative learning,
> deployable AI architectures.

The project is supported by active European collaborations, COST Actions and international research networks.

# What could we build together?

Potential collaboration may include:

> cross-country pilot deployments,
> trustworthy AI solutions for public services,
> joint use of research infrastructure,
> policy and operational guidelines,
> interdisciplinary European consortia,
> **Horizon Europe, ERUA, COST and national funding proposals**,
> validation of AI solutions across different regulatory and institutional contexts.

# 5 Beyond the Grade—Redefining School Success Through Future-Ready Competencies

Project lead:
Aleksandra Dopierała, PhD

Affiliation:
SWPS University

## What is the project about?

Traditionally, school success in Poland is measured mainly through academic performance and high-stakes exam results.

While content knowledge remains important, this narrow focus leaves critical life skills largely invisible. Socio-emotional competencies such as **personal agency, resilience, empathy, collaboration and self-regulation** are strongly connected with long-term well-being and success, yet they are not reflected in official measures of school quality.

The project aims to develop and implement a **balanced framework for measuring school and student success**, integrating academic progress with personal and social development.

The framework will be co-designed using **Participatory Action Research** (**PAR**) together with teachers, students, parents and academic partners.

# Why does it matter?

The project proposes a shift from asking:
“**How smart is the student?**”
to:
“**How does the student grow and develop?**”

Its goal is to create practical and scalable tools for more holistic school evaluation, with potential relevance for school practice, educational innovation and public policy.

# We are looking for

> universities and researchers in education and psychology,
> partners experienced in Participatory Action Research,
> educational innovators,
> educational NGOs,
> public institutions involved in systemic school innovation,
> EdTech and business partners,
> experts in user-friendly dashboards and mixed-metric tracking.

Particularly valuable is expertise in designing tools that combine academic progress with socio-emotional development.

# What we bring

> expertise in educational psychology,
> scientific study design,
> knowledge of school dynamics,
> experience combining psychological research with grassroots action,
> **a fully committed pioneer school ready to pilot the new metrics**.

The theoretical framework linking academic and personal growth has already been defined.

# What could we build together?

> co-designing and validating new school success metrics,
> Participatory Action Research with teachers, students and parents,
> international benchmarking,
> joint workshops,
> scalable toolkits for schools,
> dashboards for mixed academic and socio-emotional indicators,
> public policy frameworks,
> operational standards for holistic school evaluation.

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# ACAM: Adaptive Campaign Architecture Model for Designing and Evaluating Social Impact Campaigns

Project lead:
Levani Katamadze

Affiliation:
Independent Researcher;
Lane Kirkland Research Fellow,
University of Warsaw (2025–2026)

## What is the project about?

The project aims to further develop, test and validate the **Adaptive Campaign Architecture Model** (**ACAM**), a framework designed to improve the effectiveness of social impact campaigns.

Developed through research and professional practice, ACAM explores how:

> communication,
> mobilization,
> organisational capacity,
> audience engagement,
> context

interact to shape campaign outcomes.

The project seeks international partners to pilot the model across different sectors and countries and to generate comparative evidence and practical tools for organisations working on social change, public engagement and policy advocacy.

# Why does it matter?

ACAM has the potential to become a transferable framework for **designing, implementing and evaluating social impact campaigns across sectors**.

Expected outputs include:

> training programmes,
> implementation guidelines,
> evaluation tools,
> academic and practitioner-oriented publications,
> resources for donors, NGOs and public institutions seeking more evidence-based approaches to social change.

# We are looking for

> universities and research centres,
> NGOs,
> public institutions,
> social enterprises,
> organisations working in advocacy and public engagement,
> social innovation and community development organisations,
> researchers in communication, public policy and civic engagement,
> experts in impact evaluation and implementation research,
> partners able to provide pilot projects and case studies.

Cross-sector and international partners are particularly welcome.

# What we bring

> the Adaptive Campaign Architecture Model,
> **17 years of professional experience** in journalism, strategic communication, advocacy and civic engagement,
> a model combining academic research with practical campaign design,
> experience relevant to NGOs, public institutions and social innovation initiatives.

ACAM was developed as part of the **Lane Kirkland Research Fellowship at the University of Warsaw**, where the research was completed and defended.

# What could we build together?

> international validation of ACAM,
> comparative case studies,
> pilot campaigns,
> testing the model in different social and institutional contexts,
> training modules,
> implementation guidelines,
> evaluation tools,
> academic and practitioner publications,
> evidence-based campaign design for NGOs and public institutions.

# Find Your Collaboration Table

## Which project connects with your expertise?

**Think of this booklet as a map of collaboration opportunities.**

**Review the six proposals and ask yourself:**

- **Do I have the expertise this team needs?**
- **Could my organisation become a partner?**
- **Do I know a person or institution worth connecting with the project?**
- **Can I see an opportunity for a joint grant, study, pilot or implementation?**
- **Does the project connect with topics I am already working on?**

# Your expertise might be exactly what they need

## Come and start a conversation

You do not need to come to the Collaboration Tables with a ready-made project or a commitment to join a consortium.

You may have the experience a team needs. You may represent an organisation that could test a solution. You may have access to data, users or infrastructure. You may know a potential partner or funding source. Or you may simply be able to look at a project from a different perspective.

**If you see even one point of connection—come and talk.**

## The most interesting partnerships often begin with a short conversation.

# How does the session work?

It will begin with a brief introduction by Małgorzata Nadziejko-Stefanowicz and Katarzyna Pasiak, Innovation Brokers at SWPS University, who will explain the rules and how the meetings will run.

This will be followed by:
6 networking rounds × 10 minutes
Each of the six projects will have its own numbered table. During each round, participants will be able to visit a project of their choice and talk with a team representative.

After the six rounds, there will be a brief wrap-up and an overview of follow-up opportunities.

**Six rounds.**

**Ten minutes each.**

**One goal: meaningful collaboration.**

**The entire session will last 90 minutes.**

No additional registration for the Collaboration Tables is required.

Read about the projects in advance, choose the ones that interest you and come to the session.

# We want networking to lead somewhere

## The aim of Collaboration Tables is not simply to meet new people.

**We want the conversations started during SOCIN 2026 to help identify real opportunities for future collaboration.**

**That is why, in addition to the project representative, each table will have another person on hand to support the meeting.**

With the participant's consent, a short form will capture the most important information arising from the conversation, including:

- contact details,
- the area of shared interest,
- possible directions for collaboration,
- a proposed next step.

This will help ensure that promising connections do not end when the ten-minute round is over.

# What can happen next?

## One conversation can lead to...

A conversation at a Collaboration Table can be the beginning of:

> a joint research project,
> an international consortium,
> a grant application,
> an R&D project,
> a pilot in a company, NGO or public institution,
> testing a solution with users,
> combining complementary research expertise,
> the exchange of knowledge, data or methods,
> the further development and implementation of an innovation.

The Collaboration Tables are designed to create connections that can continue beyond the conference.

At the end of each conversation, participants can identify a possible next step—from exchanging further information or arranging a follow-up meeting to involving additional partners, exploring funding opportunities or developing an initial project concept.

After SOCIN 2026, the organising team will follow up with participants who express an interest in continuing the conversation. We will monitor whether connections lead to further meetings, project development, funding applications, pilots, research collaborations or other forms of partnership.

The real success of Collaboration Tables will be measured not by the number of contacts made, but by what happens after SOCIN 2026.

# Center for Knowledge Transfer SWPS

**Host of the Session**

SWPS University is a private academic institution and a recognised research centre in psychology and the social sciences, communication, management, design, and research on people and how they function in social, organisational and technological environments.

An important area of our activity is research and development collaboration and knowledge transfer. We combine the expertise of researchers with the experience of businesses, NGOs, public institutions and technology partners. We are interested not only in creating knowledge, but also in applying it in practice - through solution validation, pilots, consortium building and implementation.

SWPS University has experience in developing innovation based on R&D results. The University's incubation and acceleration programmes have supported research and startup teams in moving from an idea and prototype to market testing, commercialisation and implementation, as well as in building business partnerships and research-industry consortia.

These activities have produced solutions that are now used in real social and economic settings. One example is RESQL—a peer violence prevention system implemented in hundreds of schools across Poland. Another is the E-Mental Health (e-CBT) project—online therapeutic and psychoeducational programmes based on cognitive behavioural therapy, developed by researchers at SWPS University.

**We believe that valuable projects begin when people with different areas of expertise but a shared goal come together.**

That is why we see Collaboration Tables not simply as networking, but as a possible starting point for new teams, consortia and partnerships—including international ones—that can lead to specific research and R&D projects, pilots and implementations.

# Collaboration Tables at SOCIN 2026

Duration:
90 minutes

Date:
**21.10.2026**

Format:
6 networking rounds

Length of each round:
10 minutes

Number of
Collaboration Tables:
6

Moderators:
**Małgorzata Nadziejko-Stefanowicz**
Innovation Broker, SWPS University

**Katarzyna Pasiak**
Innovation Broker, SWPS University

Registration:
No separate registration for
Collaboration Tables is required.

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