

An holistic view of

CITIZEN SCIENCE INFRASTRUCTURES

*Civic Epistemologies – workshop on user requirements
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SOCIENTIZE

www.socientize.eu

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Consortium:

Univ. Zaragoza, Tecnara (ES)

Univ. Coimbra - Museu Ciencia Coimbra (PT)

Univ. Fed. Campina Grande (BR)

Zentrum fur Soziale Innovation (AU)

External Advisory Board:

David Anderson (US)

Drew Hemment (UK)

Steven Bamford (UK)

Subcontractors: UB, CERN

Tasks: coordination, outreach, experiments,
deployment and support, policy recommendations

Ibercivis Foundation

www.ibercivis.eu

Started in 2007 in Spain, formalised in 2012

Upscaled in 2009 to Portugal

Consortium:

National-regional-local policy institutions
(MINECO, Gobierno Aragón, Ikerbasque, FZC)

National-regional research institutions and
academia (CSIC, CIEMAT, Univ. Zaragoza)

Services:

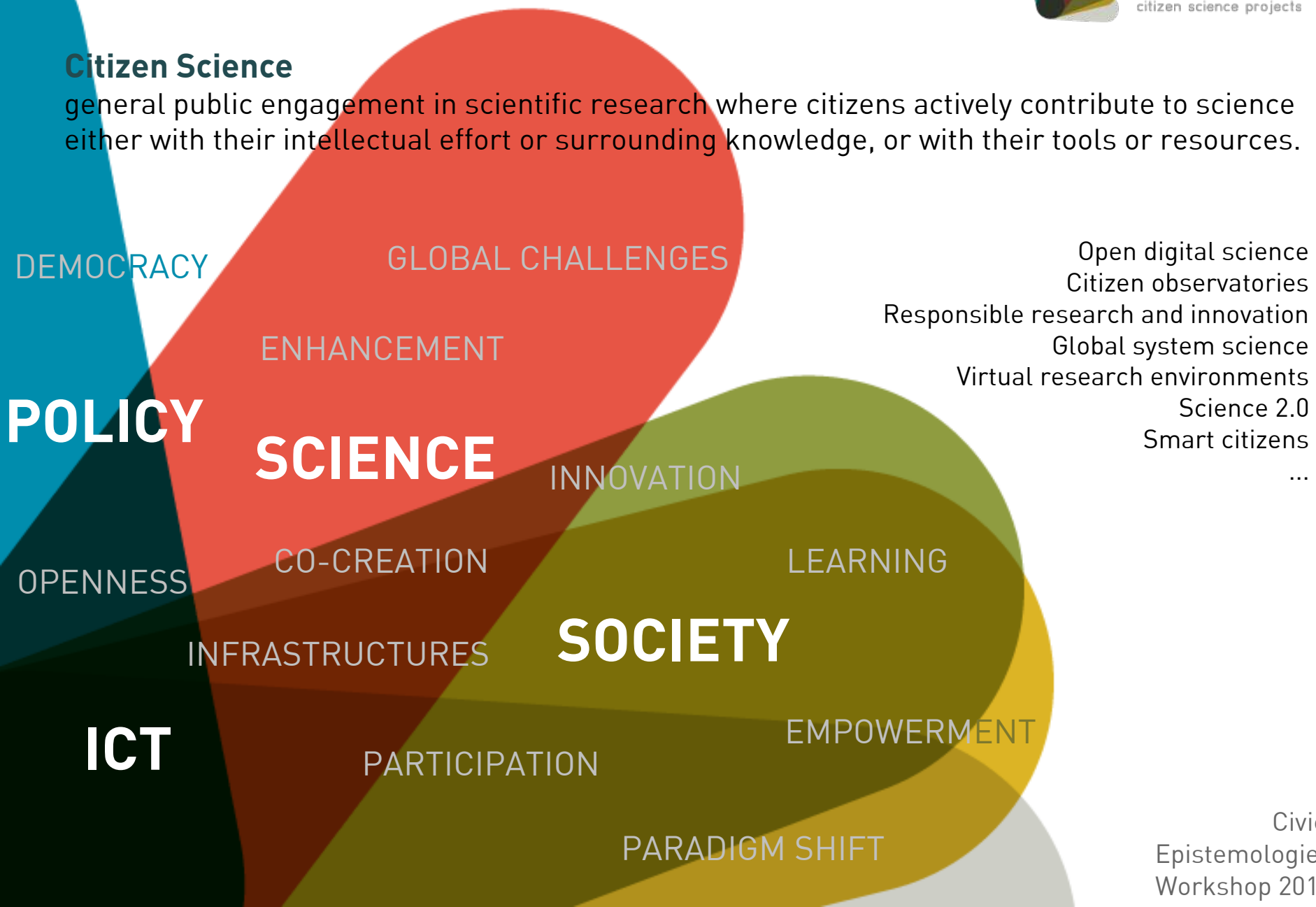
Research, deployment, infrastructure, porting

Coordination, support, communication, events

Supporting other countries

Citizen Science

general public engagement in scientific research where citizens actively contribute to science either with their intellectual effort or surrounding knowledge, or with their tools or resources.



- Open digital science
- Citizen observatories
- Responsible research and innovation
- Global system science
- Virtual research environments
- Science 2.0
- Smart citizens
- ...

MODELS

Data analysis
Experimental Data
Data collection
Human Sensing
Pooling of resources
Collective intelligence
Grassroots activities

FORMATS

Online - Offline
Amateur - Professionals
Formal - Informal
Ad-hoc- Regular - Permanent
Local - Regional - National - European - Global

STAKEHOLDERS

Society

General public, local communities, CSOs, students,
risk-of-exclusion groups,
teachers, educators, artists,
journalists, communicators, companies

Science, culture and technology

researchers, developers, makers,
infrastructure providers,
museums, living labs, digital communities,
data archives, libraries

Policy

policy makers, funders, research agencies

IMPACTS

Scientific
Educational
Economic
Environmental
Inspirational
Social
Politic

Participatory experiments

Collective Music Experiment



Collective Intelligence

Wilson
Bindsurf



Pooling of Resources

+20000 users BOINC
+15000 users web
+13000 user PyBossa
+800 users ProjectQ
+200 users CME

UrbanBees



Grassroots Activities

HappyUp
Energy @ home*
Aqua



Data Collection

Participatory Experiments



Participatory Experiments

Cell Spotting
Sun4all
Table transcriber
Antimatter*



Analysis Tasks

ProjectQ



Serious Games

Mind Paths

Table transcriber

Anuario Estatístico da Parahyba do Norte 1916 Estrutura: Contribute

Please. Fix the lines and columns from the focused area in table.

You have completed: **9** tasks from **12**



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Algodão Grande	4,150		104,258	606,154,818	
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Arara	100		11,233	251,168,608	
Bananeiras		288	44,277	592,948,255	
Bispo do Casa	2,081		185,805	1,120,528,418	
Caboceros	1,000		25,404	231,118,648	
Chiquara	8,400		238,831	38,221,870	
Chimeneas	9,100		588,126	1,433,010,880	
Chimeneas Grande	72,479		8,628,274	18,744,028,434	
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Conceição	8,400		187,248	409,418,270	
Curupira	28,000		222,271	648,074,888	
Dabuciana	13,064		1,282,226	2,925,258,838	
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Serra	18,000		1,125,888	2,232,188,008	
Unduizinho	130		14,128	1,625,088,838	
	102,204	21,273	41,798,888	81,228,011,008	

Instruções básicas

- Use a ferramenta para selecionar e ajustar a posição de um segmento;
- Use a ferramenta para selecionar os segmentos de uma área;
- Clique na lixeira ou use a tecla DEL para remover os segmentos selecionados;
- Com a ferramenta , clique e arraste o mouse para adicionar um segmento;
- Use a ferramenta para dividir o segmento na intersecção mais próxima;
- Clique em para soluções de dúvidas e atalhos avançados.

Save fixes

Selection of pages containing tables

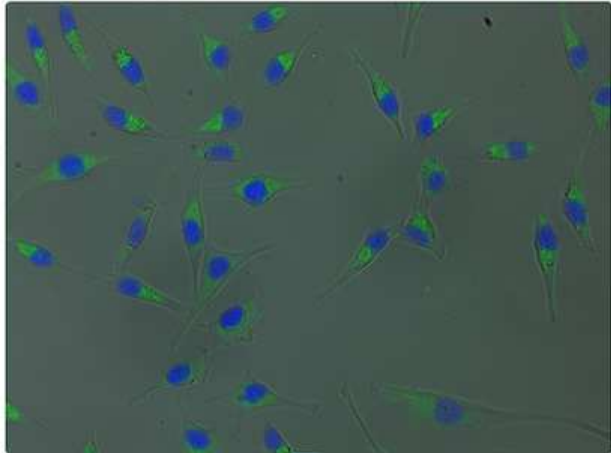
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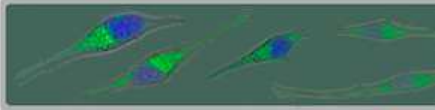
How many cells of each shape do you see?

Channels Normal Blue Green




They have to be classified into elongated, rounded, star-shaped, many cells are there of each type?


Example *Elongated*



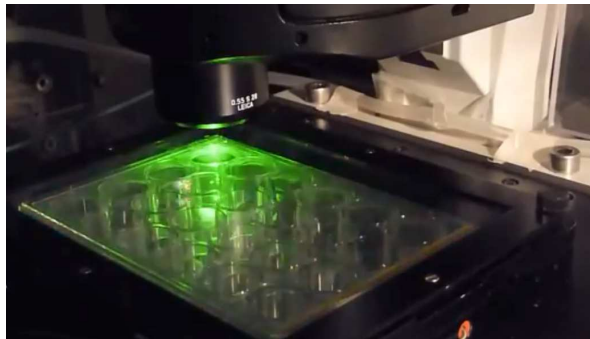
Example *Rounded*



Example *Star-Shaped*



Elongated Rounded



CELL SHAPE

Through the shape of a cell is possible to determine the cell status. HeLa cells can be elongated, star-shaped or rounded.

Count the number of elongated (), star-shaped () and rounded cells ().

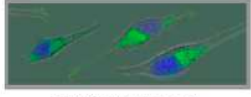


Fig. 14 Elongated HeLa cells.




Fig. 15 Star-shaped HeLa cells.




Fig. 16 Rounded HeLa cells.

KNOW MORE ABOUT HELA CELLS AND CELL DEATH!

NUCLEUS SHAPE

Cell death can also be verified at the nucleus level. In the case of apoptosis, the nucleus gets condensed and fragmented.

Count the cells with a rounded (), elongated (), bean-shaped (), and condensed and/or fragmented nucleus shape ().

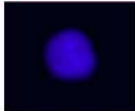


Fig. 17 Rounded nucleus.

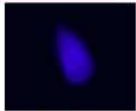


Fig. 18 Elongated nucleus.

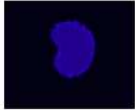


Fig. 19 Bean-shaped nucleus.

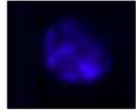


Fig. 20 Condensed and fragmented nucleus.

Why is a condensed nucleus brighter than a rounded nucleus?

A: _____

Sun4All

Satellite Image

Selection Preview

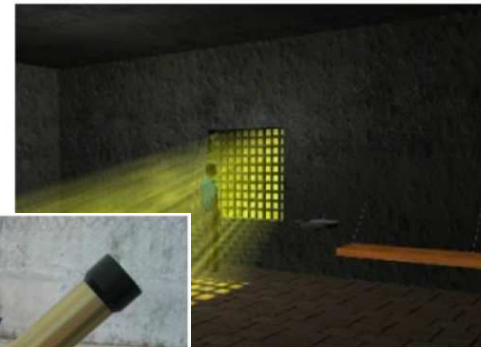
Your Data

Your Observations

Reclusos de Castelo Branco vão ver o sol (não aos quadradinhos)

SOCIENTIZE promove acção no estabelecimento prisional

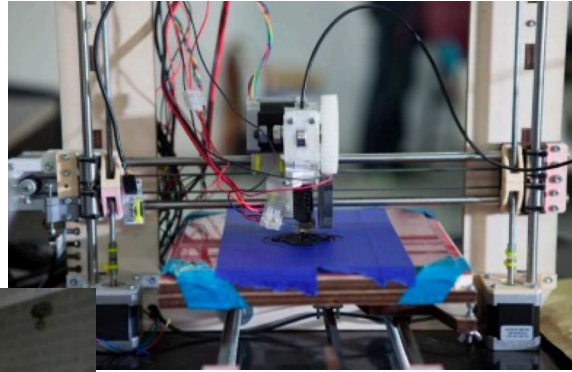
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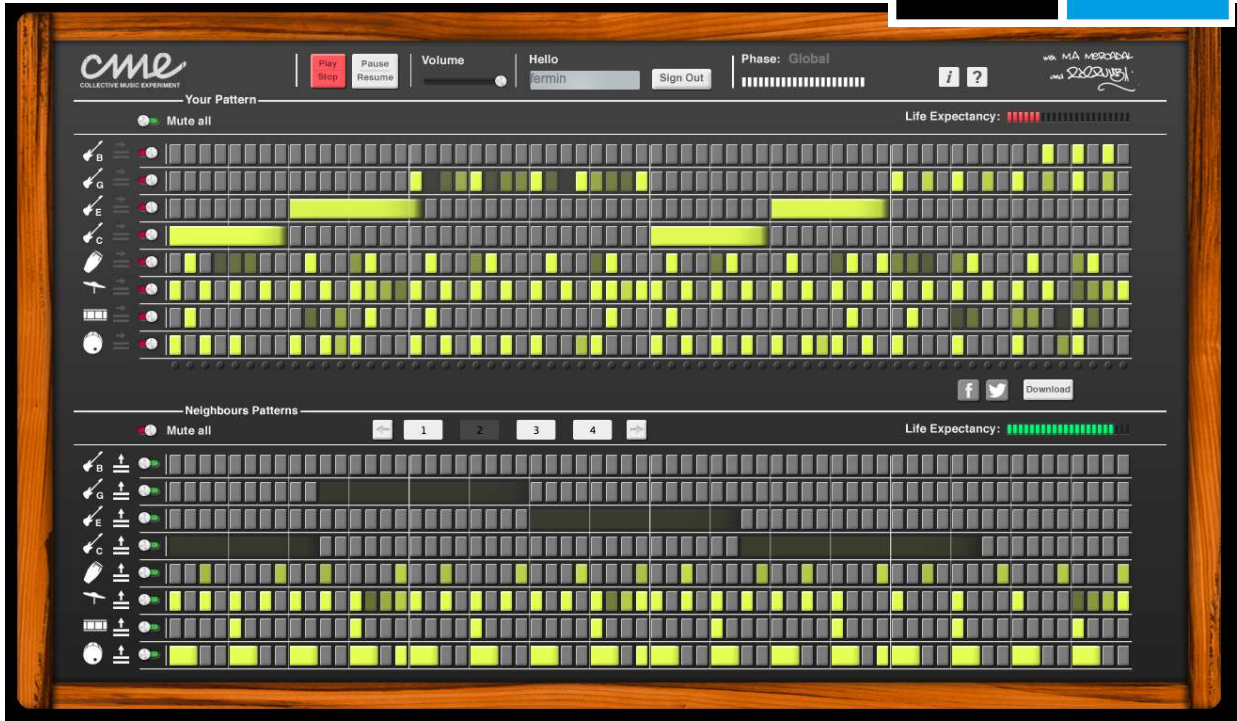
Quinta-feira, 24 de Julho, vai ser um dia muito especial para os reclusos albacastrenses. Pelas 14h00, o SOCIENTIZE promove, no Estabelecimento Prisional de Castelo Branco, um evento de apresentação do Sun4All. Trata-se de um projecto de Ciência Cidadã que pretende envolver os cidadãos no estudo do Sol e da actividade solar através da análise de imagens do Sol provenientes do Observatório Astronómico da Universidade de Coimbra (UC), um dos maiores acervos mundiais de espectrohologramas (imagens



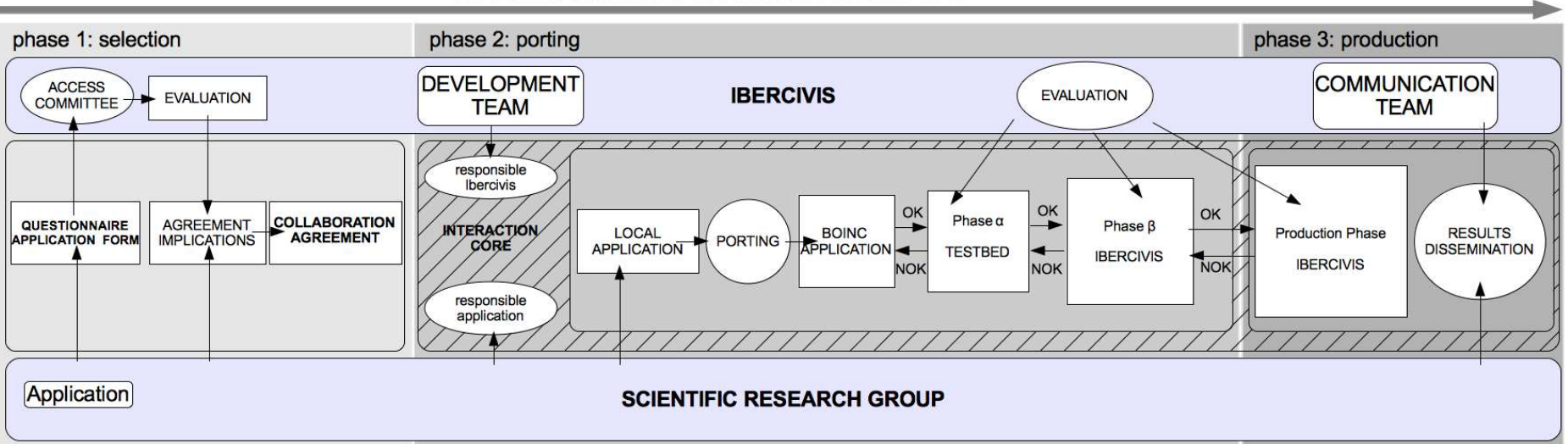
Urban Bees



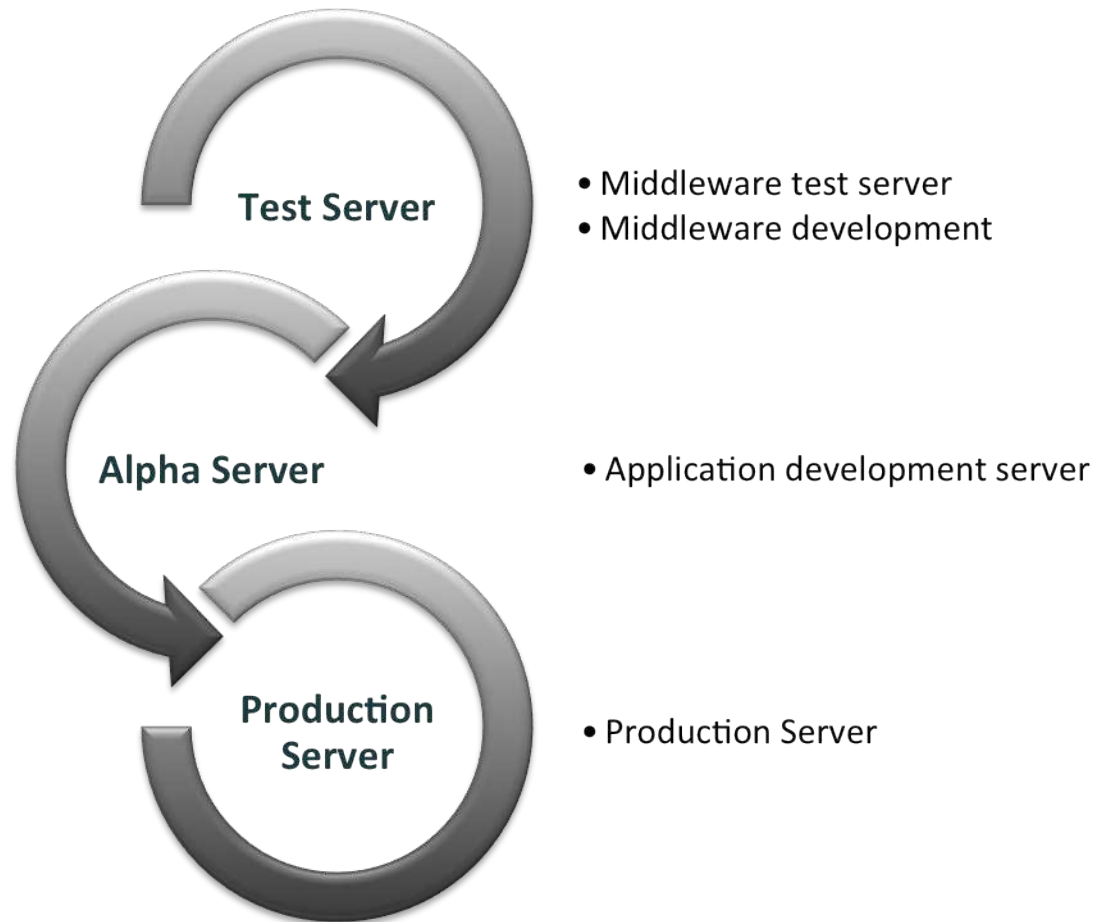
CollectiveMusicExperiment.eu



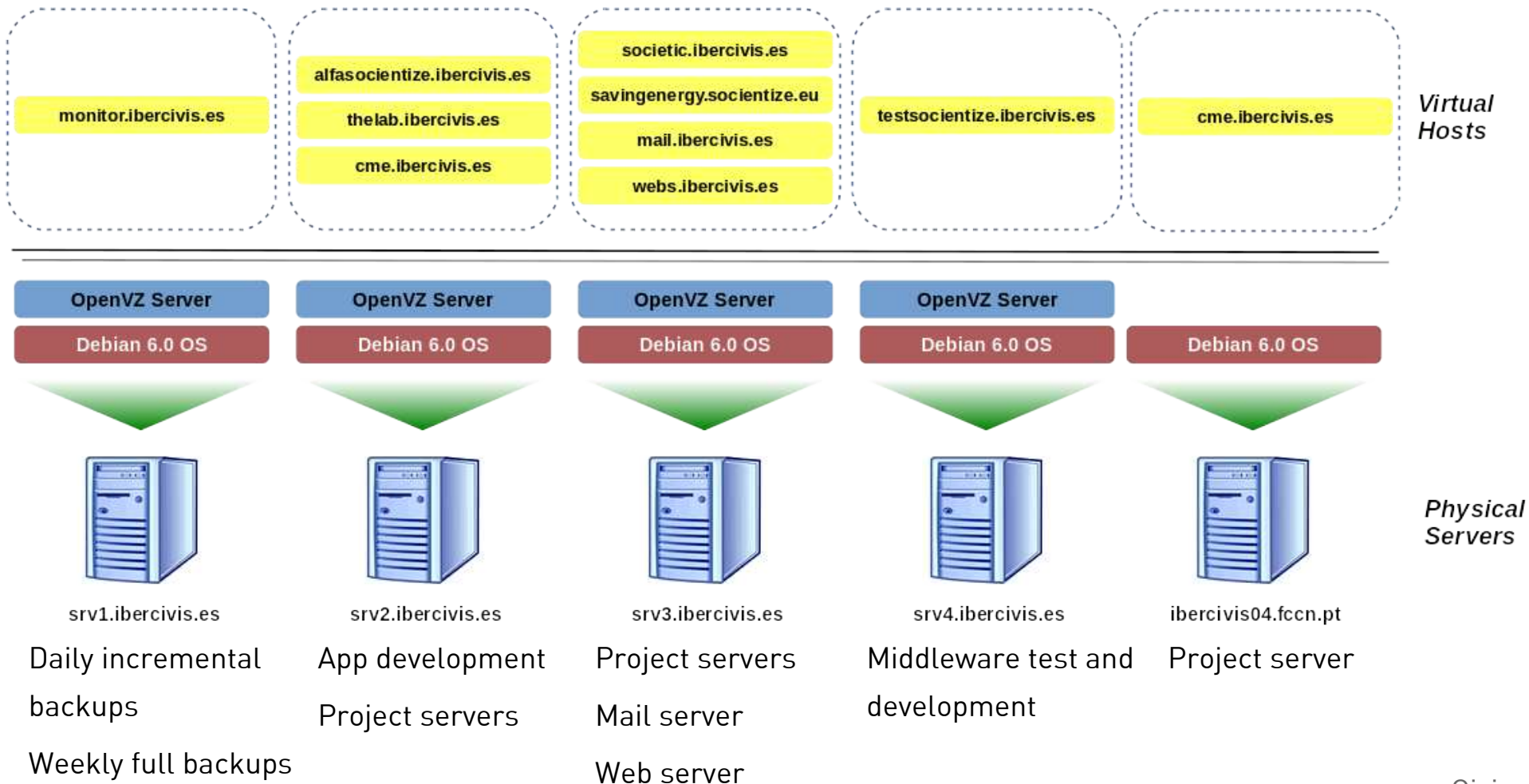
IBERCIVIS SCIENTIFIC APPLICATIONS ROAD MAP



Maintenance and Application Porting Policies



Infrastructure Description



Virtual Hosts

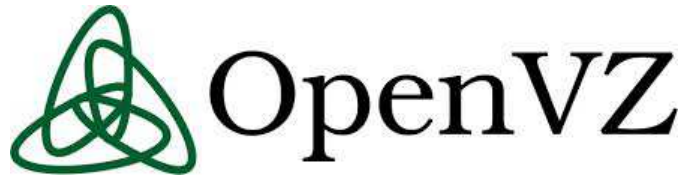
Physical Servers

Physical Hosts

Name	CPU	Mem	HD	OS
srv1.ibercivis.es	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5520 @ 2.27GHz (x16)	24GB	1TB (Raid 1)	Debian 6.0
srv2.ibercivis.es	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5520 @ 2.27GHz (x16)	48GB	1TB (Raid 1)	Debian 6.0
srv3.ibercivis.es	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5520 @ 2.27GHz (x16)	48GB	1TB (Raid 1)	Debian 6.0
srv4.ibercivis.es	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5520 @ 2.27GHz (x16)	24GB	1TB (Raid 1)	Debian 6.0
ibercivis04.fcc.pt	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E7430 @ 2.13GHz (x16)	16GB	5.2TB(LVM)	Debian 6.0

Software Components

Management Support



- Container-based virtualization for Linux
- Creates multiple secure, isolated Linux containers on a single physical
- Each container performance and execution is exactly like a stand-alone server



- High-performance, enterprise-like system for backing up
- Highly configurable
- Easy to install and maintain

Software Components

Web Servers & Development Frameworks



Software Components

Web Content Management System



- Free and open-source content management system (CMS) written in PHP
- Serves the project webpage <http://www.socientize.eu>

Communication Tools



- Management of mailing lists and e-newsletters
- Secure mail transfer agent

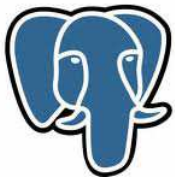
Software Components

Database Management Systems



- Open-source Relational Database Management System
- Supports Drupal CMS content
- Supports applications content: Mind Paths, HappyUp, CME

PostgreSQL



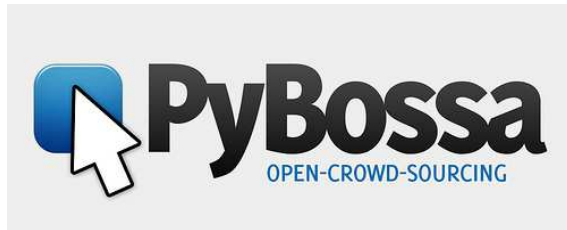
- Open-source Object-Relational Database Management System
- Supports PyBossa and Epiwork content



- Open-source transactional SQL database engine
- Supports ProjectQ application content

Software Components

Citizen Science Applications Middleware



- Human cognition, knowledge or intelligence projects
- Provides the mechanisms to distributed task application

- Mobile data collection projects
- Provides a web application for the generation of forms and freely hosted project websites
- Create Android and iOS form-like apps

Software Components

System Monitoring and Stats



- Web-based network monitoring and graphing tool designed as a front-end application
- Metrics such as CPU load and network bandwidth usage

Nagios®

- Monitoring and alerting services for servers, switches, applications and services.



Google Analytics

- Capture traffic data on websites

Deployment and support

Infrastructure fully operational

 PHUSION Passenger OpenVZ Apache BackupPC Drupal github
SOCIAL CODING Gunicorn Flask
web development,
one drop at a time

Policy recommendations

Desktop
research and
mapping

Consortium
Expertise

Experts
interviews

Target groups
Working sessions

Questionnaires

VISION

Cross-
cutting
concerns

Areas in
need of
change

Draft
recommendations

Feedback

Revision

GREEN
PAPER

Dissemination

Online
consultation

Debate

Refinement

Endorsement

WHITE
PAPER

Green Paper on Citizen Science.



Green Paper on Citizen Science

Citizen Science for Europe
Towards a better society of empowered
citizens and enhanced research

|| In the debate that is ongoing all across Europe, the bottom-line question is: Do we want to improve Europe or give it up? My answer is clear: let's engage! If you don't like Europe as it is: improve it!"

- José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission to the European Parliament, 11 September 2013



Macro level (EU-national policy makers)

To overcome domestic barriers with coordinated plans, programmes and investments

→ **targeted programming**

→ **mainstreaming citizen science**

Support measures

Updating educational and researcher programmes, evaluation criteria and curricula

Including citizens in decision-making process

Broadening access to technology

Promoting EU-wide data policy (ownership, ethics, legal requirement, quality)

Recommendation
Citizen Science Think Tank
for promotion, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, collaboration

Meso level (professional scaffolding infrastructures, initiatives and institutions)

To identify, coordinate and support

Crowdmapping. Guidelines. Customized assistance

To build inclusive communities and new interaction channels

Engage general public in decision-making processes

To recognise ongoing outsider research initiatives

Alternative funding mechanisms and spaces for bottom-up efforts

Recommendation

Citizen Science Do Tank

with specific/adaptable/dynamic guidelines

Funding opportunities

Shared technologies, hardware, middleware, software, repositories

Engagement strategies and actions, communication, outreach, inreach

Education and learning materials

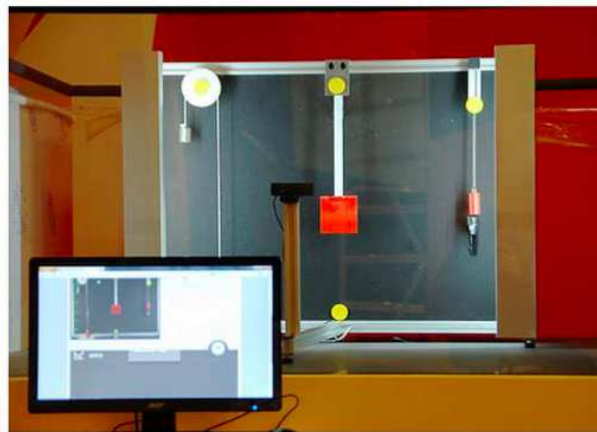
Metrics, monitoring, collective and dynamic evaluation

Shared data repositories, quality guidelines, standardization

Better society
Empowered citizens
Enhanced research

Thanks

Ciencia Remix: Citizen Science lab/exhibition/space www.cienciaremix.es



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