



## Green & Sustainable Academic Libraries in the Post-COVID Era

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### Workshop “Citizen Science and the Role of Academic Libraries”

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#### Description

Citizen Science is one of the main pillars of Open Science where citizens, people without formal professional experience on scientific processes, participate in various stages of an open access research.

Citizen Science not only helps citizens engage actively by gathering, recording, analyzing and commenting on data but it also helps them to perceive the importance of research and the value and progress of science.

The role of the academic library can be of great importance, as a meeting point for academic staff, researchers and citizens actively participating in the research process.

Libraries around the world have developed CS services to provide knowledge, information, data collection etc, while at the same time, they support research communities, by developing systems such as data repositories, protocols, CS tools etc. to maintain results for a long term.

The 2-hour workshop “Citizen Science and the role of Academic Libraries” is organized as part of the CEOS\_SE programme (Citizen-enhanced open science in Southeastern Europe Higher Education knowledge hubs / Erasmus+, Key Action 2), by the Library and Information Center of the University of Patras (CEOS\_SE partner) and aims to train academic librarians on the basic features of CS. Participants will learn the principles of CS and how it relates to Open Science, get informed on libraries’ good practices and examples and how to create a supportive network of partners.

#### Duration

2 hours

#### Language

Greek

## Maximum Number of Participants

20 people

## About Alexandra Goudis

Alexandra Goudis was born in Manchester, UK and raised in Patras, Greece.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and a Master of Science degree in Financial and Business Economics from the Department of Economics of the University of Essex, UK.

After finishing her MSc studies, she worked as a pension reviewer at Royal London Mutual Insurance Society, in the UK. Moving back to Greece in 2001 she became a Researcher on Regional Economics and Business Networks at the Department of Economics of the University of Patras and continued conducting research at the Foundation for Economic and Industrial Research (IOBE) in Athens, where she was assigned to write the Business Plan of the Academy of Entrepreneurship (AKEP) in Greece.

Over the last 15 years, she has been working as Financial and Administrative staff at the University of Patras. Her current position is at the Library and Information Center (LIC) of the University of Patras, where she is engaged in financial, administrative matters and community engagement through research and event programming.

From the beginning of 2022 she participates at the Erasmus+ programme, Citizen-enhanced open science in Southeastern Europe Higher Education knowledge hubs (CEOs SE).

From 2015 till now she is part of the TEDxPatras team, as a Co Organizer-Curator in 2015, Venue Manager in 2016 and Speakers Communication Manager from 2017.

She also continues her research on Regional Economics and Clustering aiming at obtaining a postgraduate doctoral degree from the Department of Economics of the University of Patras.

## About Theodora Karaiskou

Theodora Karaiskou was born in Athens in 1994 and raised in Patras. In 2018 she graduated from the Department of Archives, Library Science and Museology of the Ionian University.

She was part of Visitors Experience team at the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center in 2019, where she provided information regarding the history of the SNFCC and all of its cultural events as well as sports events, customer service and the fulfillment of all of its cultural events. For the first months of 2020 she was a supervisor for the interactive installation “Picasso Blue and Rose Period” that took place at the SNFCC. Later and for one year, until August 2021, she was working as an intern at the National Library of Greece where she mainly helped better the users’ experience and its smooth operation at the circulating department.

She now participates at the Erasmus+ programme «Citizen-enhanced Open Science in Southeastern Europe Higher Education knowledge hubs» (CeOS\_SE Project).