

# IMMERSIVE EDUCATION INITIATIVE BLOCKCHAIN in EDUCATION *Switzerland*



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## Call for Participation (CfP)

The **Immersive Education Initiative** has issued this Call for Participation for **General Audience** sessions and **Academic and Technical** sessions as detailed below. For details on how to propose a session see “**How to Respond to this CfP (Propose a Session)**” below.

Register to respond to this CfP at <https://ImmersiveEducation.org/signup/Switzerland>

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## **Sponsors and Corporate or Business (non-academic) Exhibitors**

These CfP instructions are specifically for General Audience Sessions and Academic and Technical Sessions as detailed below.

Sponsors and corporate or business (non-academic) exhibitors are invited to contact the conference team (see “**Contact**” below for contact information).

# 1. Blockchain in Education Summit Overview

The [Immersive Education Initiative](#) **2022 Blockchain in Education Summit** convenes the world's leading educational technology and blockchain experts in Lucerne, Switzerland, on October 6 and 7 to: **1)** Address the emerging role of blockchain technologies in the fields of education and training, **2)** Examine the role and impact of academic and corporate research on blockchain technologies and emerging standards, and **3)** Teach educators and corporate trainers how to utilize Knowledge Token<sup>®</sup> incentive and reward tokens.

The academic and technical event, hosted by the Swiss Museum of Transport in collaboration with the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts (HSLU) and the Lucerne Business Development Agency, features cutting-edge technology and research from around the world along with related presentations, hands-on exhibits, tools, techniques, standards and best practices.

The **2022 Blockchain in Education Summit** takes place on October 6 and 7 at the Swiss Museum of Transport in Lucerne, Switzerland, and features a special overlapping day (October 7) with the international [IMMERSIVE SWITZERLAND](#) conference that occurs on October 7 and 8.

The conference is organized into 3 distinct strands:

1. **USING BLOCKCHAIN** sessions will teach educators, trainers and researchers how to utilize blockchain technologies, apps and applications in the fields of education, training and research.
2. **TEACHING BLOCKCHAIN** sessions will present case studies and best practices for teaching students of all ages about blockchain technologies, apps and applications.
3. **RESEARCH** sessions will provide attendees with an in-depth understanding of current and emerging technical and theoretical research studies focused specifically on blockchain technologies, apps and applications.

Speakers, researchers, teachers, trainers, students, exhibitors, sponsors and other **Blockchain in Education Summit** Call for Participation (CfP) respondents are invited to:

- 1) **Review** the **inaugural Blockchain in Education Summit** (Boston, United States): <https://summit.ImmersiveEducation.org/Boston>
- 2) **Review** the previous 15 years of iED Summits: <https://summit.ImmersiveEducation.org>
- 3) **Register** to respond this CfP at <https://ImmersiveEducation.org/signup/Switzerland> as detailed in the section “How to Respond to this CfP (Propose a Session)” below.

## Modular Format

Building on the success of the previous 15 years of Immersive Education (iED) conferences, the **2022 Blockchain in Education Summit** features a unique modular format that premiered at [IMMERSION 2014](#) in Los Angeles, California, and [IMMERSION 2015](#) at Université Paris-Sorbonne (“the Sorbonne”) in Paris, France.

## Technology Working Groups (TWGs) and Community Groups (CGs)

Corresponding Immersive Education Initiative Blockchain [Technology Working Groups \(TWGs\)](#) and [Community Groups \(CGs\)](#) will be announced during the opening keynote address, and will subsequently be open to all Immersive Education Initiative members.

## Knowledge Token<sup>®</sup>



Attendees, speakers and presenters will receive [Knowledge Token<sup>®</sup>](#) (Knowken<sup>®</sup>) incentive and reward tokens.

First introduced at [IMMERSIVE ITALY 2017](#), Knowledge Tokens may be used to pay for future conferences, training & certification programs, camps, clubs, Virtual Reality (VR) headsets, 360 degree VR cameras, VR and gaming graphics cards (GPUs), and more.

Special **Blockchain in Education Summit** sessions will also provide attendees with in-depth instructions on how to utilize and distribute Knowledge Tokens in their own classes and training activities.



## Previous Speakers and Participants

Speakers and participants at previous Immersive Education conferences and events have included faculty, researchers, graduate students, administrators and executives from the world's leading academic and cultural organizations, universities, and companies, such as the United Nations, NASA, Harvard University, Smithsonian Institution, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), MIT Media Lab, Walt Disney Animation Studios, Google, Microsoft, Intel, United States Department of Education (ED), United States Department of the Interior (DOI) National Park Service (NPS), Stanford University, USC, UCLA, Keio University (Japan), USA Federation of Scientists (FAS), National University of Singapore (NUS), INDIRE (Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research institute), National Research Council (Italy), Royal Institute of Technology (Sweden), Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (India), Technion Israel Institute of Technology (Israel), University of Barcelona (Spain), University of Glasgow (UK), University of São Paulo (Brazil), and many other world-class organizations and academic institutions.



## 2. Dates and Location

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Related events and activities take place in and around Lucerne, Switzerland.



*One of the most beautiful cities in the world, Lucerne, Switzerland, will host the **Blockchain in Education Summit** and **IMMERSIVE SWITZERLAND** during the first week of October, 2022. Lucerne's famous covered Kapellbrücke (Chapel Bridge), pictured above, was built in 1333 and links "Old Town" to the Reuss river's right bank.*

Lucerne has long been a destination for tourists who travel from around the world to experience the city's abundant natural beauty and cultural attractions.

As the most populous city in Central Switzerland, Lucerne is a nexus of economics, transportation, culture, and media for the entire region. Owing to its location on the shores of Lake Lucerne, where it is surrounded by snowcapped mountains of the Swiss Alps, Lucerne offers staggering views and unique memories year-around.

Lucerne is known for its preserved medieval architecture. The city's colorful Altstadt (Old Town) is bordered by Museggmauer (Musegg Wall), a 870 meter high 14-century rampart. Lucerne's 15th century buildings feature colorful painted facades depicting medieval life.

### 3. Corporate Sponsors and Exhibitors

#### **Sponsors and Corporate/Business (non-academic) Exhibitors**

These CfP instructions are specifically for General Audience Sessions and Academic and Technical Sessions as detailed below.

Sponsors and corporate/business (non-academic) exhibitors are invited to contact the conference team (see “**Contact**” below for contact information).

## 4. General Audience Sessions

General Audience sessions are intended to appeal to all conference attendees, ranging from the “newbie” (those who are entirely new to the concept of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications) to the experienced. In contrast, Academic and Technical sessions appeal specifically to experienced attendees as described in “**Academic and Technical Sessions**” below.

General Audience session categories include papers, posters, panel discussions, presentations, workshops, exhibits, demonstrations, and outliers (late-breaking sessions that cover an especially novel or unique aspect of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications).

General Audience sessions can be considered **high-level overviews** of a given topic or subject matter, and may address any number of Immersive Education topics (see “**iED Topics**” below) in the context of one or more of the following:

1. **Using Blockchain.** Teachers, trainers, researchers, developers, students and end users are encouraged to share their experience with utilizing blockchain technologies, apps, and applications (both in and out of the classroom or corporate training room) in the service of education and/or training.
2. **Teaching Blockchain.** Teachers, trainers, researchers, developers, students and end users are encouraged to share their experience with teaching the concepts of blockchain technologies, apps, and applications (both in and out of the classroom or corporate training room).
3. **Blockchain Concepts.** Teachers, trainers, researchers, developers, students and end users are encouraged to present blockchain concepts that provide a general (high-level) overview of blockchain technologies, apps, and/or applications.



## 5. Academic and Technical Sessions

Academic and Technical sessions are intended to appeal to conference attendees who have prior experience researching, studying, applying, designing, and/or developing blockchain technologies, apps, and/or applications. In contrast, General Audience sessions appeal specifically to less experienced attendees as described in the “**General Audience Sessions**” section above.

Academic and Technical session categories include papers, posters, panel discussions, presentations, workshops, exhibits, demonstrations, and outliers (late-breaking sessions that cover an especially novel or unique aspect of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications).

Academic and Technical sessions can be considered **low-level** sessions that address a given topic or subject matter in a **technical, theoretical or critical manner**. These sessions may address any number of Immersive Education topics (see “**iED Topics**” below) in the context of one or more of the following:

1. The results of research studies or experiments in the field of blockchain
2. The design and/or implementation of research studies in the field of blockchain
3. The design and/or development of blockchain experiments
4. The study and/or assessment of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications
5. The design and/or development of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications
6. The deployment and/or support of blockchain technologies, apps and/or applications

## 6. Immersive Education Topics (iED Topics)

Proposed sessions (both **General Audience** and **Academic and Technical** sessions) may address one or more of the following Immersive Education (iED) topics in the context of **blockchain** technologies, apps and/or applications.

Please note that proposed sessions may also address topics **not** listed below provided the focus of the proposed session is on **blockchain** technologies, apps and/or applications:

- Blockchain and/or cryptocurrency for teaching, training and/or learning
- [Knowledge Token](#)<sup>®</sup> (Knowken<sup>®</sup>) incentive and reward tokens
- Immersive Education Learning Spaces ([iED Spaces](#))
- Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), Mixed Reality (MR), holograms and holography
- Brain interfaces, cybernetics, affective computing, and neuro-gaming and/or neuro-technology
- Robotics, 3D printing (the “[inversion of immersion](#)”), and drones for teaching and training
- Simulations and simulators
- Game-based learning and training systems, serious games, and learning games
- Fully immersive environments such as caves, domes, planetariums, and spheres
- Input devices and systems (headsets, haptics, gloves, suits and more), natural interfaces, invisible interfaces, and touch interfaces
- Capture devices and systems (cameras, scanners, motion capture, facial recognition, etc.)
- Virtual Reality headsets (e.g., Google Cardboard, Facebook/Meta Oculus, HTC Vive, Microsoft HoloLens, HP Reverb, Playstation VR, Valve Index, etc.)
- Virtual, augmented and/or mixed reality for cultural heritage, the arts, culture and/or history
- Creative computing, 21st century skills and computational thinking & learning systems
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Cognitive Computing (CC) in the Age of Immersion
- [Immersive Education Clubs and Camps](#) (approaches, results, reports, updates, etc.)
- Learning models, styles, techniques and philosophies (e.g., blended learning, stealth learning, hybrid learning, personalized learning, social and collaborative learning, student-driven learning, location-based learning, contextual learning and more)
- Commercial video games as teaching and training tools (e.g., Minecraft, Roblox, Fortnite, Skyrim, Pokémon, World of Warcraft, Portal, Assassin's Creed, BioShock, Scribblenauts, Civilization, etc.)
- Virtual laboratories, tools and testbeds
- Health and safety applications, training and techniques using immersive technologies
- Smart and/or responsive learning, educational and training environments
- [Immersive Education Certification \(iED CERT\)](#) and Professional Development (PD) programs
- Pedagogy and assessment in the Age of Immersion
- Future research directions and issues in the Age of Immersion

## 7. How to Respond to this CfP (Propose a Session)

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To propose a **2022 Blockchain in Education Summit** session simply register to respond to this Call for Participation by entering **your email address and name** at:

<https://ImmersiveEducation.org/signup/Switzerland>

Within **48 hours** you will receive details on how to respond to the CfP via email from [iED@ImmersiveEducation.org](mailto:iED@ImmersiveEducation.org)

**Not getting iED Emails?** Note that in some cases email from iED **may not arrive in your email inbox**. If you do not receive instructions within **48 hours** follow the instructions in the "Not getting iED Emails?" section below.

### ATTENDANCE REQUIRED

Please note that **all accepted sessions must be presented in person** by at least 1 of the session proposers (authors/speakers), for which an All Access Pass to the conference may be purchased at a discount.

A special **speaker registration code** will be provided to the authors/speakers of all accepted sessions.

## 8. Not getting iED Emails?

On average you should receive 1-2 updates from [iED@ImmersiveEducation.org](mailto:iED@ImmersiveEducation.org) each month.

If you are not receiving these emails from the Immersive Education Initiative, please take the following steps to ensure that you can receive future updates:

1. Add [iED@ImmersiveEducation.org](mailto:iED@ImmersiveEducation.org) to your email contacts and then send an email message to [iED@ImmersiveEducation.org](mailto:iED@ImmersiveEducation.org). This will indicate to most email systems that you are expecting email from the iED email address (so that these emails won't be placed into a spam or junk folder).
2. If you are using **GMAIL** (Google Mail) look in your **PROMOTIONS** folder and also in your **SPAM** folder.
3. If you are using any other email system look in your **SPAM** or **JUNK** folders.

If you find iED messages in any of these folders (Promotions, Spam or Junk) be sure to flag them as "**legitimate**" by starring those messages or moving them back into your inbox.

### Still Can't Receive iED Emails?

If taking the above steps **does not** resolve your inability to receive these message you can sign up with a different email address or ask a technology administrator at your organization to ensure that future messages are delivered into your email inbox:

1. Sign up again with an alternate email address. Simply visit the registration page [ImmersiveEducation.org/signup/Switzerland](https://ImmersiveEducation.org/signup/Switzerland) and sign up using a different email address than the one you used initially.
2. Ask a technology administrator at your organization to ensure that future iED messages are delivered into your email inbox.

**1-2 EACH MONTH**

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## 9. Facebook, Twitter and Instagram

Keep up to date on all Immersive Education activities through the official iED Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts:



<https://facebook.com/ImmersiveEducation>



<https://twitter.com/Immersive>



<https://instagram.com/ImmersiveEducation>

## 10. Contact



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