

Citizen Science and Co-creation The Alan Turing Institute 15/02/2022

#### Hi! I'm Sophia.

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## This is a quick presentation, so if you have a question:

- Note the slide,
- And we'll have time for a discussion at the end.

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Citizens doing science =

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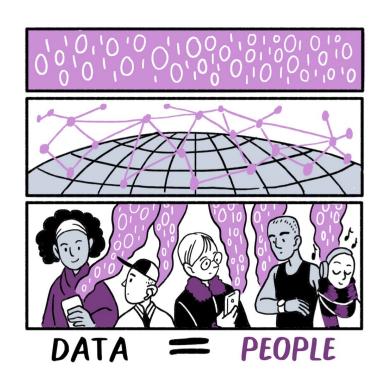
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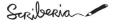


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collaboration and upholding personal autonomy to provide a high level of support alongside a high level of control.

#### Understanding the Ethical, **Inclusive**, and Collaborative benefits of Citizen Science.

"Nothing about us, without us"

- political mantra of the Disability Rights Movement

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"It takes a village"

- African proverb

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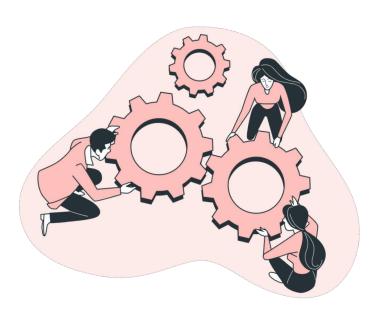


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#### Creating virtuous cycles...



#### Accessible + Inclusive

By increasing the accessibility of a project, it becomes more inclusive.

By being more inclusive, the project can do more.

#### **Active Co-creation**

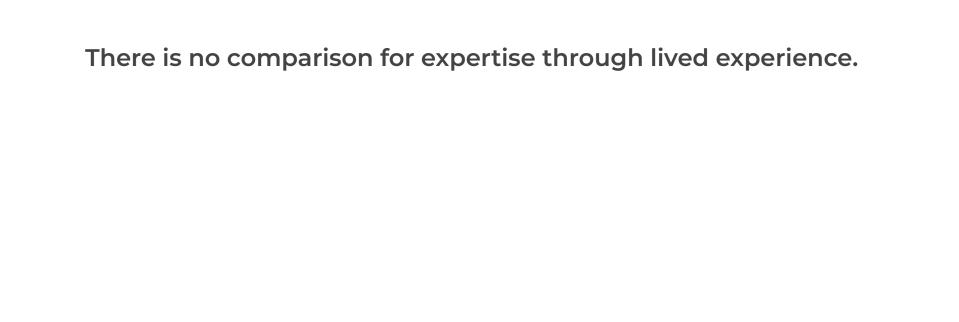
An active and inclusive environment supports collaboration and engagement from a wider community.

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When experts by study and by experience do science...

GREAT THINGS HAPPEN!

#### Science is for everyone.





#### Thank You!

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# What questions do you have?