

Geertje Slingerland is supervised by Stephan Lukosch and Frances Brazier in doing research on designing for increased citizen engagement. The research aims to understand and design interventions that foster local information sharing within citizen communities, to empower residents to contribute to the livability and safety of their neighbourhood.

Geertje is a PhD Candidate in the Participatory Systems group at Delft University of Technology. In her research, she works closely together with citizen communities and other local stakeholders, such as police officers and civil servants. She is intrigued on how design can play a role in stimulating people to become active, take responsibility and engage with their environment.

Stephan is a professor at the HIT Lab NZ of the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand. Earlier he worked at the Delft University of Technology, Netherlands and the University of Hagen, Germany. His current research focuses on human augmentation to enhance our capabilities. In order to create a design framework for developers, designers and future users, he explores human augmentation in different domains such as sports, health, safety & security, and engineering. His work includes the evaluation of human factors on acceptance, engagement and experience of human augmentation.

Frances is a professor in Engineering Systems Foundations at the Delft University of Technology. With a strong background in the design of human computer interaction, multi-agents systems, and distributed systems, current research focuses on the design of socio-technical ecological systems that enable and support participation in today's networked society: participatory systems! The leading design principles include design for trust, design for empowerment and design for engagement. Areas of study and exploration include distributed energy management, crisis management, dynamic supply chain management, and real-time safety management.