

Press Release

ETH Meets California



Classic Swiss Landi chair meets the modern American Director's chair – a symbol of ETH Meets California – a series of free public in the San Francisco Bay Area (April 6 – 15th, 2016). (Image credit: ETH Zurich)

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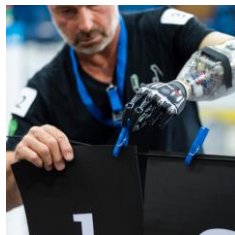
ETH Zurich, the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland brings some of its top researchers to California to unravel the mysteries of science and technology.

In an exchange of ideas with our California counterparts, ETH Zurich will host a series of FREE public gatherings in San Francisco and the Bay Area. ETH Zurich is one of the world's leading universities for technology and the natural sciences. It is well-known for its excellent education, ground-breaking fundamental research and for implementing its results directly into practice. Covering a wide-spectrum of our research: from Black Holes and Citizen Science to Cybersecurity and Flying Robots; from Earthquakes to a Hackathon and from Robotics to Future Cities, we will connect a community of scientists, engineers, industry leaders, politicians, and students as part of *ETH Meets California*.

Teaming up with presenting partners: Aerotain, 3D Robotics, Disney Research Zurich, Ericsson, Go-Pro, Google, IBM, SmarterBetterCities, Swisscom, swissnex San Francisco, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UCLA, and Wingtra, ETH Zurich will delight and entertain you, while building awareness for the valuable research going on at the top-ranked university in continental Europe.

Events at ETH Meets California

Background information



Thursday, April 7th, 2016, 7pm, swissnex San Francisco

Cyathlon

Advancing Assistive Devices through Olympic-Style Competition

Learn about a new way to advance the technology of assistive devices and increase their acceptance in society. In partnership with swissnex San Francisco and Cyathlon.

[More information, registration, & video trailer](#)



Friday, April 8th, 2016, 7 pm, swissnex San Francisco

Citizen Science 2.0

Explore how the direct involvement of the public will revolutionize science. In partnership with swissnex San Francisco.

[More information & registration](#)



Saturday, April 9th - Sunday, April 10th, 2016, 24+ hours, The Laundry, San Francisco

Hackathon

Citizen Science 2.0 - Home Networks 2.0

Spend the weekend coding to create your own citizen science project or improve the internet of things in your home. In partnership with Swisscom.

[More information & registration](#)



Sunday, April 10th – Saturday, April 16th, 2016 – California

Tackling Food System Challenges with IT Innovation

Study tour - ETH Zurich and California students will find out together how IT can transform our food system. In partnership with Mixing Bowl, Agro Food Innovation Park, Switzerland, Knecht Reisen, and UC Davis.

[More information](#)



Monday, April 11th, 2016, 10 am, IBM Research Almaden, San Jose

Security Technologies Enabling the Future:

From Blockchains to IoT

Discover how ETH Zurich and IBM develop security technologies for future internet applications. In partnership with IBM.

[More information & registration](#)



Monday, April 11th, 2016, 4 pm, The Tech, San Jose

Responsive Cities

Learn how big data can be harnessed for improving cities with examples from Asia, the U.S. and Europe.

[More information and registration](#)

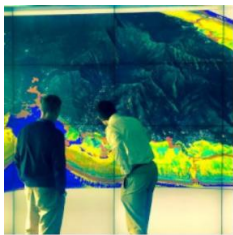


Tuesday, April 12th, 2016, 4 pm, The Mezzanine, San Francisco

Autonomous Flying Robots beyond Multi-Copters

There is more to flying robots than quadcopters. Get a glimpse at the latest technology for aerial vehicles. Featuring 3D Robotics and GoPro as well as ETH Spinoff companies: Aerotain and Wingtra among others.

[More information and registration](#)



Wednesday, April 13th, 2016, 11 am, UC Berkeley's Doe Library

Island Avatars: Simulating Social-Ecological Systems

Discover how ETH Zurich and UC Berkeley are working to transform a tropical paradise into an unprecedented virtual ecology lab. In partnership with UC Berkeley Institute for Data Science, Richard B. Gump South Pacific Research Station, and the UC Berkeley Department of Environmental Science Policy and Management.

[More information and registration](#)

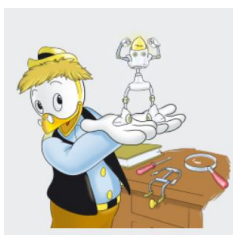


Wednesday, April 13th, 2016, 4:30 pm, UC Berkeley's International House

Earthquakes: Predicting the Inevitable

Join ETH Zurich and UC Berkeley in a lecture and debate at the forefront of earthquake forecasting. In partnership with UC Berkeley Seismological Lab and the Swiss Seismological Service.

[More information and registration](#)

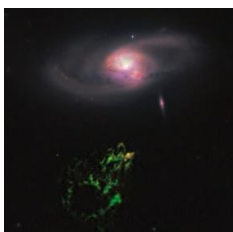


Thursday, April 14th, 2016, 7 pm, Galvanize Townhall, San Francisco

Disney: Creating the Magic through Technology

Have you ever wondered how the snow in "Frozen" was made? Learn how researchers bring magic into the movies. In partnership with Disney Research Zurich.

[More information and registration](#)



Thursday, April 14, 2016, 6 pm, California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco

Supermassive Black Holes

Share our fascination for black holes, the last frontier in astronomy during Yuri's night at the California Academy of Sciences. This event is part of the California Academy of Sciences NightLife Series.

[More information and registration](#)

Further information

Set up an interview

Join us at one of the *ETH Meets California* gatherings during the week of April 6th – 15th, 2016 or [contact](#) us to set up a meeting directly a researcher.
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[ETH Meets California Media Kit](#)

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