## Global Digital Health: Project week with Research Alumni on interdisciplinary challenges from international perspectives

20-26 November 2025

Cooperation partners: DKFZ, KIT, Universities Cologne, Heidelberg, Münster, Siegen Format: Keynote speeches, discussion rounds and interdisciplinary exchange (if not stated otherwise) **Preliminary programme structure** 

Theme blocks may change or shift. The aspects listed in each theme block are exemplary and can be further adapted. Interactive formats as well as contributions from the participants are intended.								
	Cologne Thu 20 Nov	Fri 21 Nov	Sat 22 Nov	Sun 23 Nov	Heidelberg Mon 24 Nov	Tue 25 Nov	Wed 26 Nov	
Evening Afternoon Afternoon 14:00-17:00 09:00-12:30	Global Digital Health Approaches to digitalisation	Society & Health Economics	Data & Ethics	Transfer	Technology & Prevention	Diagnostics & Therapies	Global Digital Health From Al to health	
	Kick-off Global Digital Health Interdisciplinary & International Perspectives and Relevance Introduction to topic Introduction of Experts Alumni and scientific partners	Ageing Society  Digital well-being and apps E-vita project  Societal and Economic Aspects / Equity Gender equity E-Learning Al in social work	Legal & Ethical Aspects  Medical & data protection law Legality of Al & other digital tools/technologies in treatment and prevention Influence of Al on moral judgment Al as ethical advisor Acceptance and trust in digital health technology	Change of location: Cologne to Heidelberg	Health Targets and Health Promotion in International Comparison  Different applications of AI in analysis and prevention and medical apps:  Theoretical approaches Live demos of AI tools	Cancer Research  Cancer diagnosis & treatment with Al and imaging tools  Theragnostic & Personalized Medicine  Approaches & examples	AI & Digitalization in Global Health  The future role of AI – in science, research & applied medicine, prevention Developments & prognosis	Morning 09:00-12:30
	Brown Bag Lunch					Lunch tour Transfer & Innovation		
	Funding Opportunities for Research Stays in Germany	Lunch break	Lunch break		Lunch break	Visit of the hei_INNOVATION Startup Hub with insights into	Lunch break	
	Information session with experts on funding opportunities	Lab Tour at the University of Cologne	Data Science & Bio-Medical Informatics: Practical examples:	Visit to Heidelberg Castle and The German Pharmacy	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	related transfer projects  Lab Tour at the "Neuenheimer	Conclusions & Wrap-up Global Digital Health	Afte
	Identification of Topics and Questions Application fields of innovative technologies  Format: "Speed Dating" & World Café  Welcome Evening with Dinner Speech: "Challenges and Perspectives in Global Digital Health"	Insights into research areas and joint discussions on site:  - Cologne Excellence Cluster on Aging and Aging-Associated Diseases (CECAD)  - Center for Molecular Medicine Cologne (CMMC)  - Max Planck Institute for Biology of Ageing  - Max Planck Institute for Metabolism Research	<ul> <li>Evaluation of biological mass data</li> <li>Creation of inter-facility research data infrastructures</li> <li>Summary and conclusions</li> <li>Review of workshop days in Cologne</li> <li>Preview of workshop days in Heidelberg</li> </ul>	Museum	<ul> <li>Environmental factors and climate change related to human health</li> <li>Disease Prevention – from environmental to consequential global risk factors</li> <li>Short, Animated Storytelling for Communicating Health Messages</li> </ul>	Feld" in Heidelberg – DKFZ & Heidelberg University Insights into research areas and joint discussions on site:  - Heidelberg Institute for Geoinformation Technology (HeiGIT)  - Institute of Computer Engineering (ZITI)  - Heidelberg Ion Beam Therapy Center (HIT)  - Dieter Morszeck Biorepository	Interdisciplinary & International Perspectives and Relevance Wrapping up the week Impulses for Future Cooperation Opportunities & connections Format: Workshop & World Café	Afternoon Ev 14:00-17:00 19:0
	Format: Public event Keynote and discussion followed by networking evening	Dinner in Cologne Brauhaus Hellers	Evening in Cologne at your own leisure	Dinner in Heidelberg Kulturbrauerei	Format: Public event Talk and discussion followed by networking evening	Evening in Heidelberg at your own leisure	Goodbye Evening Heidelberg Christmas Market Old Town	Evening 19:00-21:00

International dimensions | interdisciplinary aspects and knowledge transfer | Health prevention and recovery measures | Medical foundation | Data analysis and ethics | Al and digital technologies

During the project week the different aspects and questions connected to "Global Digital Health" are considered primarily in their international relevance and regarding the possibilities of interdisciplinary knowledge transfer. General medical questions, prevention, health promotion, data analysis and integration, ethical concerns and regulatory measures in the application of AI and digital technologies are among the main topics to be discussed.