

# Gitte Kragh – Curriculum Vitae

## Personal profile

Being passionate about citizen science (CS), research, the environment, and volunteering, I aim to combine my academic skills with my extensive experience in the volunteering sector worldwide to make a difference for science, society, projects, and participants. To achieve this aim, I also use my experience in actively engaging audiences and volunteers in research and conservation, effectively communicating findings to audiences at all levels, my international citizen science and research networks, and my confidence as an entrepreneur and manager.

## Relevant Experience

Year(s)	Position held, relevance to CS	Organisation, country
2020 – Current	Researcher / Postdoc, working on nationally and internationally funded CS-related projects, including TIME4CS, PATTERN and Lakes in Spare Time; organised international Engaging Citizen Science Conference 2022.	Aarhus University, DK
2020 – Current	Board Member, involved in the strategic discussions and decisions around CS within ECSA and in Europe	European Citizen Science Association (ECSA)
2020 – Current	Ecologist, involved in EU-funded FRAMEwork and more4nature projects	NORDECO, DK
2018 – Current	Co-founder and manager, bringing CS stakeholders together and facilitating discussions, symposium, workshops	Citizen Science Netværket, DK
2017 –2019	Senior Research Manager, led on CS research projects on biodiversity and the environment	Earthwatch Institute Europe, UK
2013 – 2017	PhD student, completed study and thesis on environmental citizen scientists and volunteers	Bournemouth University, UK
2010 – 2013	Sustainable Tourism /IT Manager, investigated feasibility for sustainable travel certification as many (western) people travel to participate in CS	NEPCon, DK
2009 – 2010	Intern, Field Guide Trainee; supporting GVI volunteers in contributing to CS	GVI, Australia and South Africa
2008 – 2009	Project Manager, led CS project on sea turtles, engaged 100+ volunteers	Sea Turtle Foundation, AU
2001 – 2005	Manager, enabled 100+ volunteers to contribute to environmental projects in Latin America	Nepenthes Nature Tours, DK
1995 – present	Volunteer; contributing to and learning from others' CS- and volunteer projects	A wide variety of citizen science projects worldwide, National Trust, Reef HQ, Orpheus and Heron Island Research Stations, Nepenthes

## Education

2017	PhD, Environmental Volunteering & Citizen Science Title: <i>A holistic approach to environmental volunteering: connections between motivation, well-being and conservation achievement</i>	Bournemouth University, UK
2010	Field Guide	FGASA, South Africa
2006	Certificate IV in Business	TAFE, Cairns, AUS
2005	Master of Science (research) Degree, Ecology	Aarhus University, DK
2002	Bachelor of Science (research) Degree, Ecology	Aarhus University, DK

## Other relevant CS involvement

- UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science Capacity Building WG (2022-)
- Aarhus University Citizen Science Network coordinator (2021-)
- European Citizen Science Association Board of Directors (2020-)
- ECS Collaboration Group (formerly EU SwafS projects CS WG) (2020-)
- Global Citizen Science Partnership, CS & Open Science CoP (2018-)
- European Citizen Science Association, various Working Groups (2018-)
- Danish Citizen Science Network co-founder and coordinator (2018-)
- British Ecological Society Citizen Science Special Interest Group Committee member/Chair (2013-2021)

## Some CS publications

- Herbers Poulsen, S., Maindal, N., Oddershede, K. D., Sejerkilde, M., Breiner Pedersen, S., Haghju, M., MacLean Sinclair, E., Harrits, A., Kirk, U. B., Sherson, J. F. and Kragh, G. (2024). *Engaging young people in science communication about mental health during COVID-19*. JCOM 23(01), N01. <https://doi.org/10.22323/2.23010801>
- Kragh, G., Køie Poulsen, M., Iversen, L., Cheeseman, T., & Danielsen, F. (2023). *Mobilizing collective intelligence for adapting to climate change in the Arctic: The case of monitoring Svalbard's and Greenland's environment by expedition cruises*. In S. Boucher, C. A. Hallin, & L. Poulson (red.), *The Routledge Handbook of Collective Intelligence for Democracy and Governance* (s. 456-465). Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003215929>
- Hallin, C. A., Kragh, G., Boucher, S., & Tjelle Holm, N.-K. (2023). *Crowdsourcing Democracy? Trends, Potentials, and Risks of AI-assisted Digital Tools for Participation*. Democracy R&D Annual Conference 2023, Copenhagen, Danmark.
- Nielsen, K. H., Kragh, G., & Agergaard, T. E. (2022). *Citizen science in Denmark at a critical stage: a national survey across research fields, institutions, and projects*. P o S - Proceedings of Science, 418, Artikel 058. <https://pos.sissa.it/418/058/pdf>