# Press call

**POLISH CITIZEN CONSULTATION**

**CONCISE PROJECT**

*Tomorrow, Saturday 21st, a citizen consultation will take place in Łódź.*

*One hundred people from all over Poland will participate in the event.*

Media are welcome to cover this event. We would be grateful if you could confirm your assistance by replying to the email.

DATE: **Saturday, September 21st**

TIME: **11.00h**

LOCATION: **Faculty of Economics and Sociology of the University of Łódź,** Rewolucji 1905 r. 41, building T.

# Citizen consultation agenda

# 8:00am Registration

# 9.00am Welcome

# 9.30am Discussions – Round 1

# 10.45 Coffee break

# 11:15 Discussions – Round 2

# 12:30 Lunch

# 13:30 Discussions – Round 3

# 14.45 Coffee break

# 15:15 Discussions – Round 4

# 16:30 Closing the event

#  About the consultation

The University of Łódź is organising this activity as part of the EU-funded [CONCISE project](https://concise-h2020.eu/pl), aimed at investigating what role science communication plays on the knowledge and beliefs of European citizens around scientific issues.

The encounter will comprise several informal roundtable discussions throughout the day, where people from very different walks of live will be invited to discuss subjects linked to the public communication and understanding of science-related topics, such as vaccines, climate change, genetically modified organisms and the use of complementary and alternative medicines. More specifically, to share their opinions and experience about the way they receive information on these topics, , which channels they use and prefer, how they evaluate the information in terms of trustworthiness, how that affects their actions and what they think that could be done to improve communication.

The organisers selected 100 ordinary citizens that socially represent the country. There are three requirements that all participants meet: being >18 y.o, living in [COUNTRY] and being fluent in [LANGUAGE]. Beyond that, selected profiles are diverse in terms of gender, age, origin and educational level, among others. Citizens are contributing to the study as volunteers (i.e. they will not get any economical compensation for participating), however travel, accommodation and dining costs of all participants will be covered by the organisers.

The Polish consultation is the second of five consultations that CONCISE will carry out in European cities this autumn: Vicenza (Italy), Lodz, Trnava (Slovakia), Valencia (Spain) and Lisbon (Portugal).

With this study CONCISE researchers aim to know better the insights of current public understanding of science and to develop tools that will help improve science communication in Europe and beyond.

# About the CONCISE Project

CONCISE is a 2-year collaborative research project funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 ‘Science with and for Society’ (SwafS) programme, which aims to build new ways of cooperation between science and society. CONCISE comprises nine institutions from five European countries, a multidisciplinary team of researchers coordinated by University of Valencia (Spain). Project partners include well renowned science journalists, scientists of various disciplines and The University of Łódź.

# Contact details

**For more information on the consultation**

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**Press contact**

[LOCAL COMMUNICATION OFFICER´S CONTACT DETAILS]

# Social networks

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