Georg H. Endress Foundation enables Life Sciences Makerspace



Students working on creative projects during the pilot phase of the new Life Sciences Makerspace. © SPH / Jasmin Frei 3 September 2024

Through a generous donation to ETH Zurich, the Georg H. Endress Foundation enables the Student Project House (SPH) to expand its scope. Thanks to a new Life Sciences Makerspace, the SPH can offer numerous students from previously underrepresented subject areas such as chemistry and biosciences the opportunity to pursue their creative ideas outside the curriculum.

Thanks to the support from the Georg H. Endress Foundation, ETH Zurich can expand the Student Project House with a Life Sciences Makerspace. This will allow students from the fields of chemistry and life sciences to further develop their social and methodological skills and advance their ideas alongside their studies.

Strengthening interdisciplinary collaboration

The planned Makerspace specifically targets students from disciplines that are currently underrepresented at SPH. "With the new Life Sciences Makerspace, we are creating a modern laboratory environment where our students can experiment, test ideas, and drive projects forward.

Ultimately, everyone benefits from this increased diversity, as it fosters the creation of more interdisciplinary projects," says Professor Günther Dissertori, Rector of ETH Zurich.

Long-term impact

Sarah Endress, President of the Georg H. Endress Foundation, emphasises: "We are delighted that our support enables students to realise their ideas in a hands-on environment. The diverse experiences and innovative approaches will, in the long run, also benefit the wider economy."

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Student Project House

The SPH allows students to pursue their ideas independently of the curriculum, experiment, develop prototypes, and exchange ideas with likeminded peers. The SPH's Makerspaces – equipped with 3D printers, VR headsets, metal and woodwork tools, and soon, laboratory infrastructure – are highly popular and serve as a fertile ground for students with entrepreneurial ambitions.

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