

Geotechnology and innovation course IN the METAVERSE

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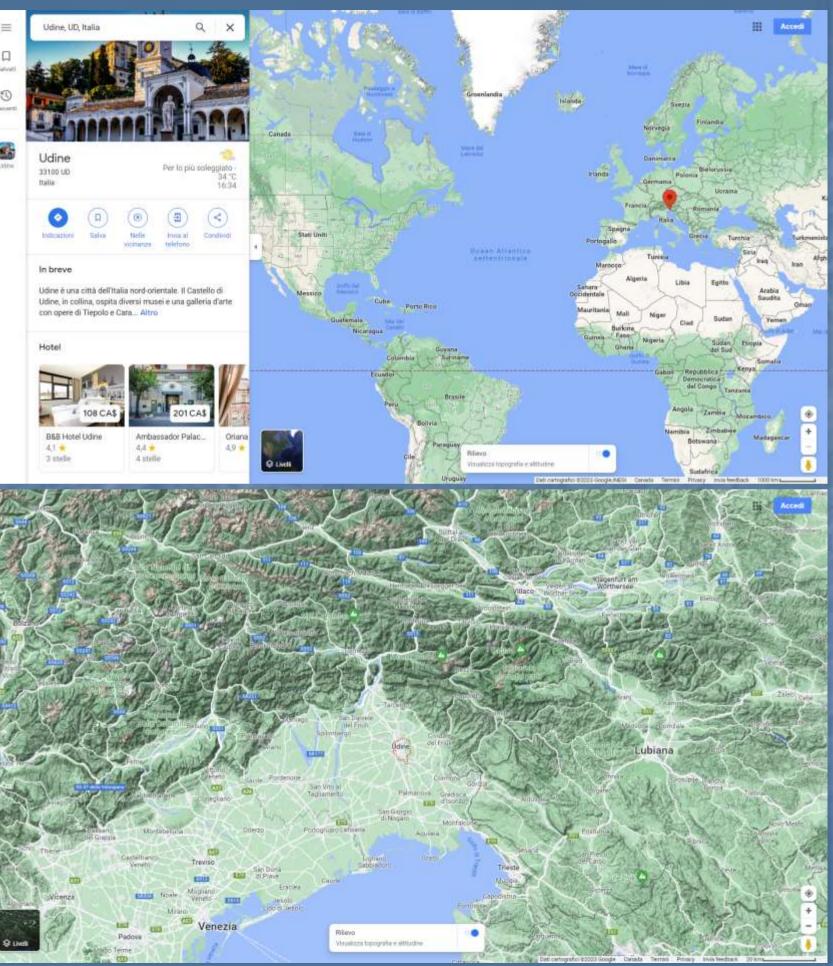
1997 founded the first italian GIS company (Geomarketing, Fleet Tracking, Route Optimization, Remote Sensing, land use changes, ...)

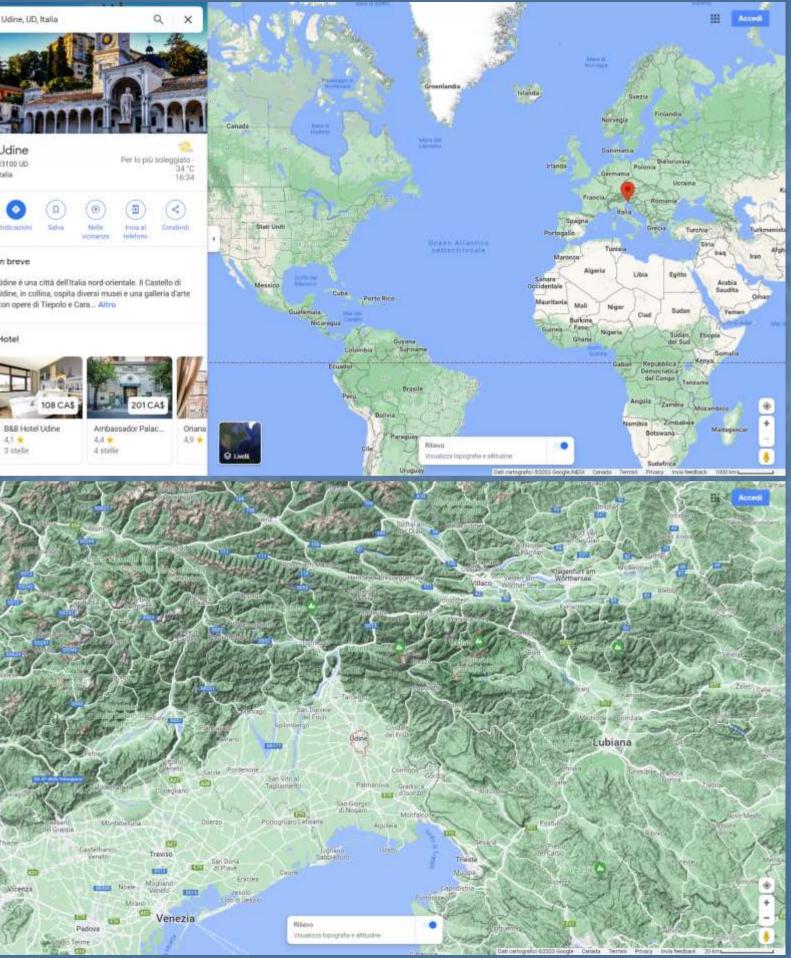
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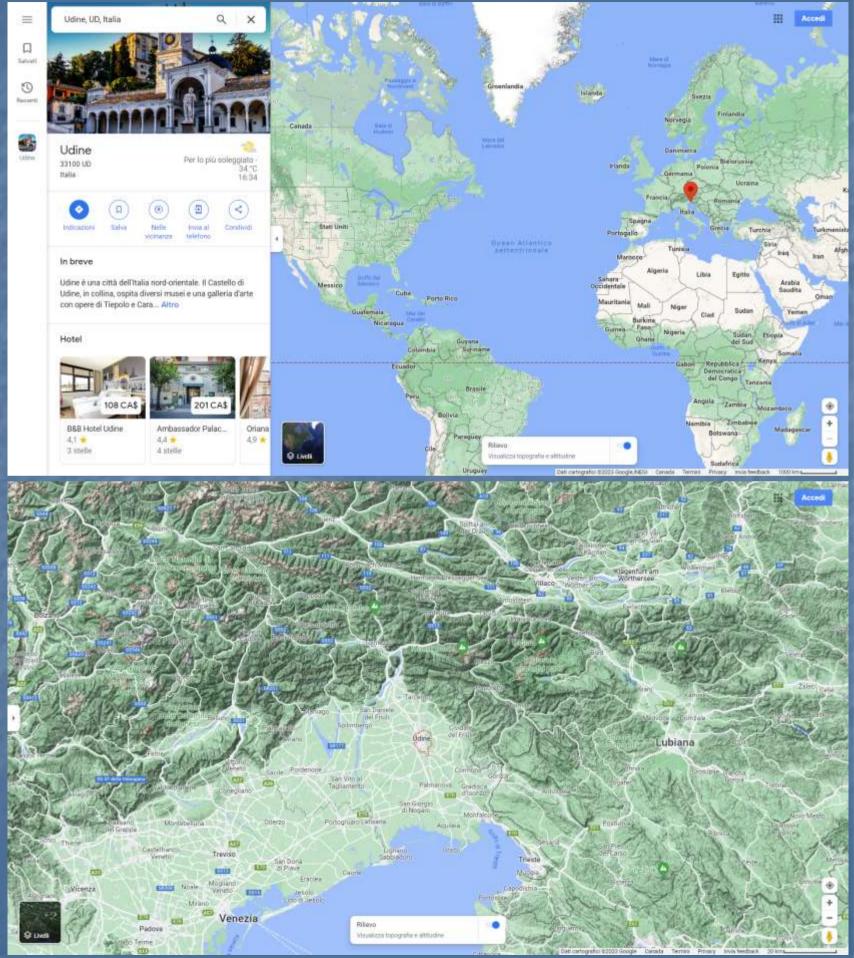
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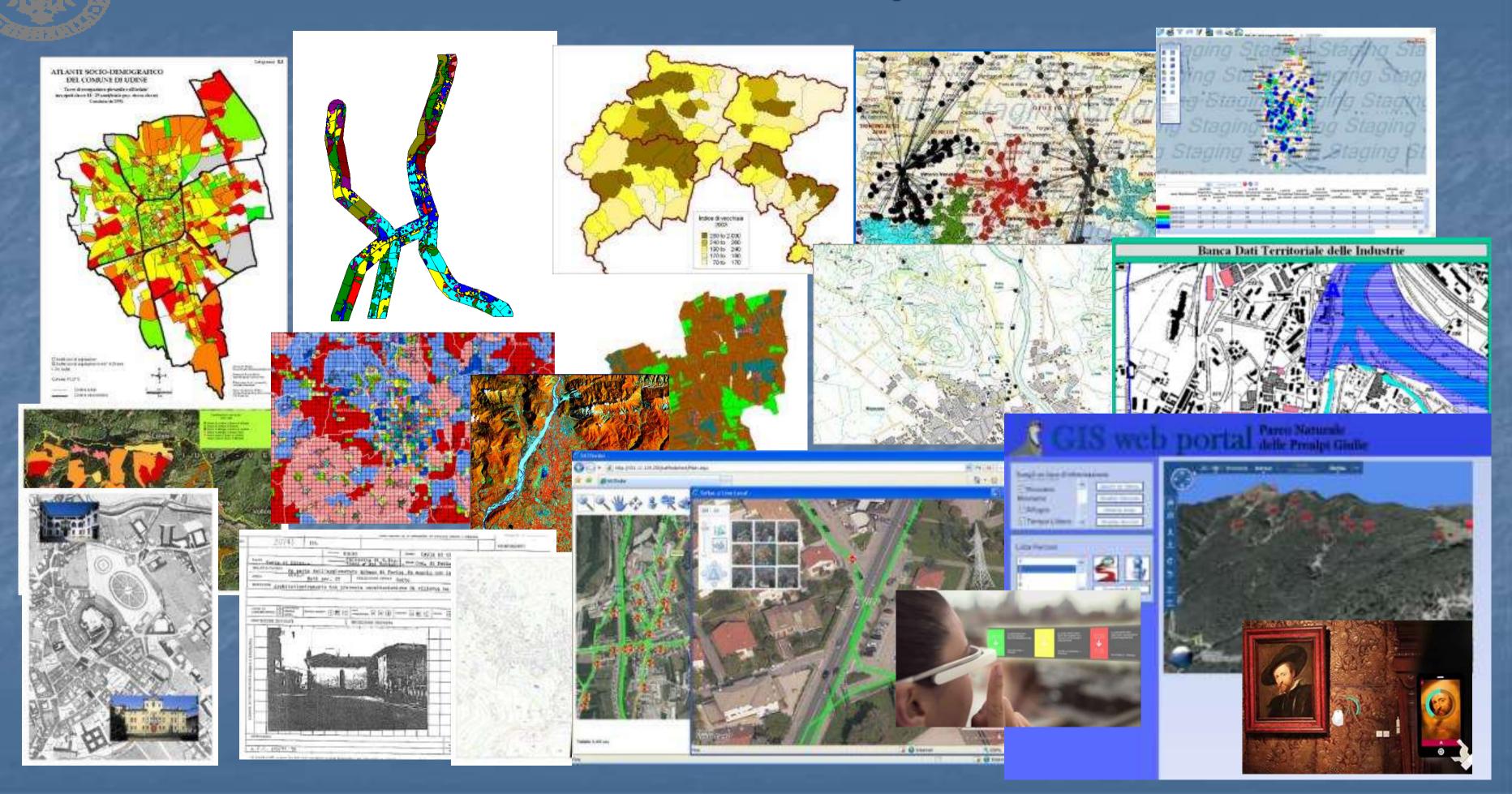








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GEOtechnology and Innovation Course

Apart from GEOtechnology topics emerging technological trends in the last 10 years:

- Drones
- Lidar
- VR/AR and Field Service
- Artificial Intelligence
- CellPhone GEOBigData
- And last year Metaverse







Virtual Reality



"You can think of the Metaverse as an immersive Internet: instead of just viewing content, you're inside it" To be defined METAVERSE a platform:

- 3D virtual environments
- Immersive
- Interactive
- Persistent •
- Interoperable

To ENTER the METAVERSE

- Avatar
- Device





Metaverse and Training in UDINE

- Last year a lesson ON the METAVERSE technology, use cases, new professions
- This year
 - a lesson ON the METAVERSE technology, use cases, new professions
 - a lesson IN the METAVERSE on one of the topics of the course (GPS technology and applications)
 - A 7 lessons course ON the METAVERSE IN the METAVERSE
 - Students of any year and any faculty
 - 50 places booked in 2 hours
 - 95% presences at the lessons



Metaverse Course

To organize a course in the METAVERSE you need

- a METAVERSE platform
- MetaSpaces and MetaRooms for the lessons
- the digital twins
- the AVATAR management tool

We found TechStar a, Metaverse enabler company, with their MetaPresence platform

 they configured MetaRooms and Metaspaces for the different lessons (fornitures, screens, digital twins, animations,)

I searched and tested many platforms but must say that, for training purposes, I haven't found anything with such performances

Techstar





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META PRESENCE



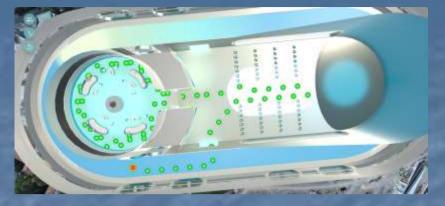
Metaverse effects on STUDENTS

- Huge increase in the average presences during the lessons (60%->95%) •
- Increase of interaction during the lessons probably because "you don't show our face" and you are • represented by our own avatar
- AVATARS depending on the mood of the day
- in the last year more than 50% of my thesis are METAVERSE related
- interesting proposals of METAVERSE applications for the end of course group projects



Dashboard

- Users timeline
- Actions/Reactions
- HeatMap
- Item Focus (video, digitaltwin, dress, ...)





Reactions

The Reactions chart shows the total number of reactions, made by users during a MetaMeeting, breaking them down by type.

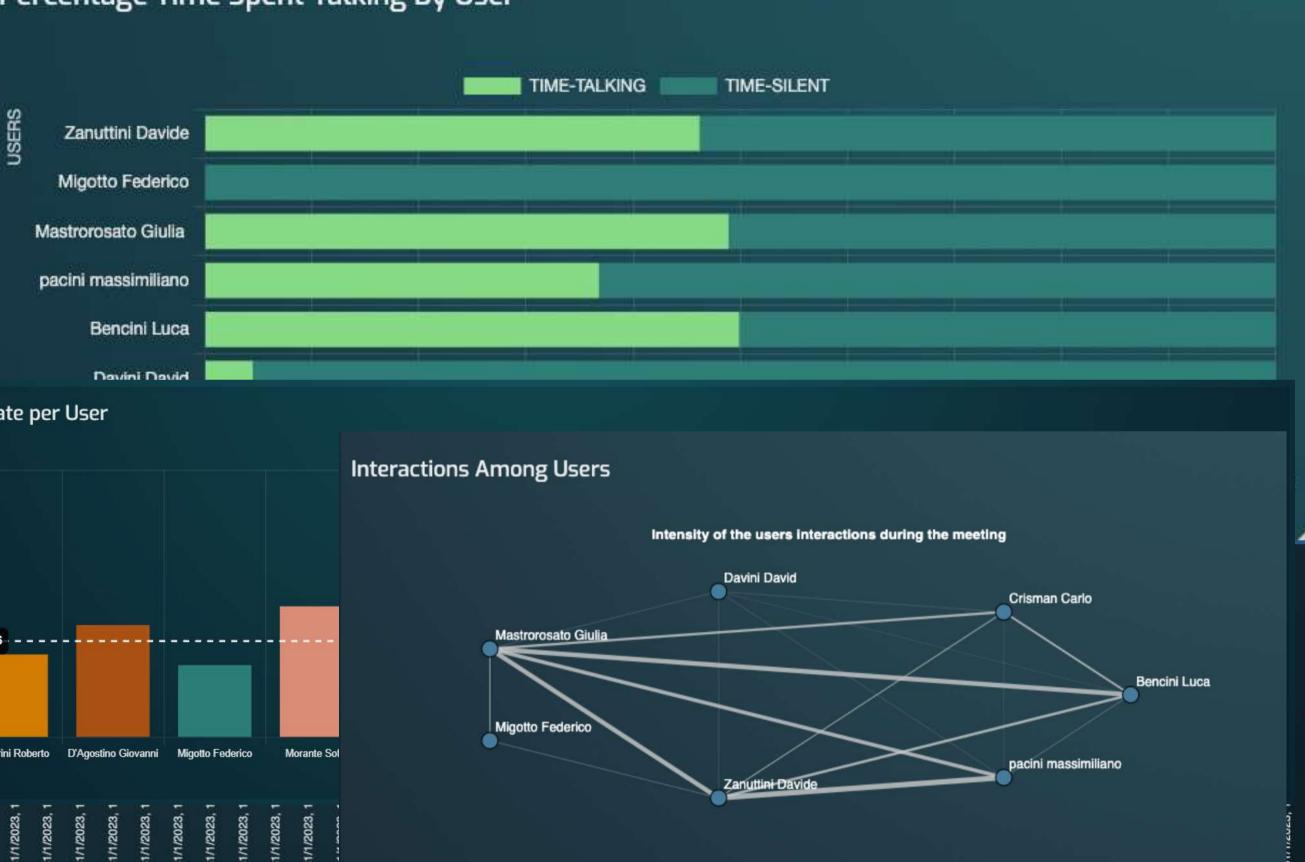




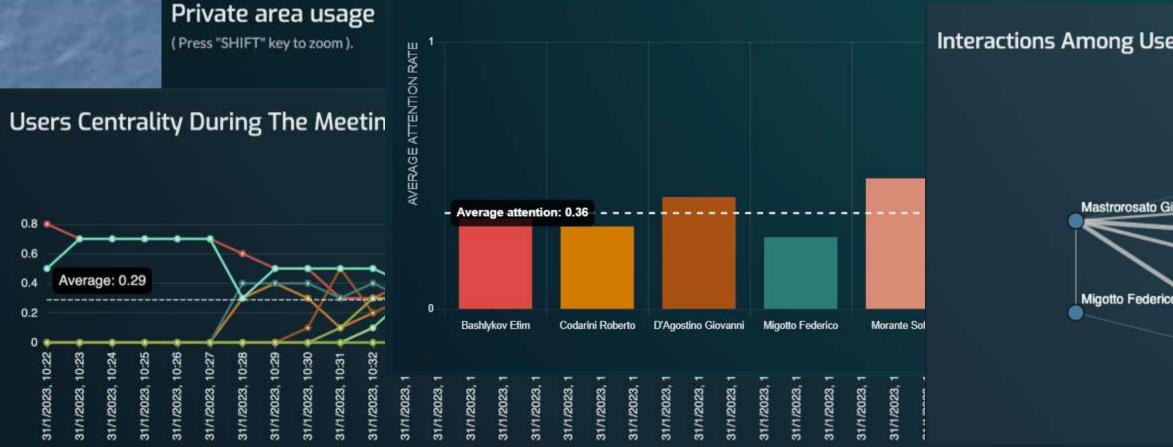
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Percentage Time Spent Talking By User

- Interaction among users
- Attention



Average attention rate per User



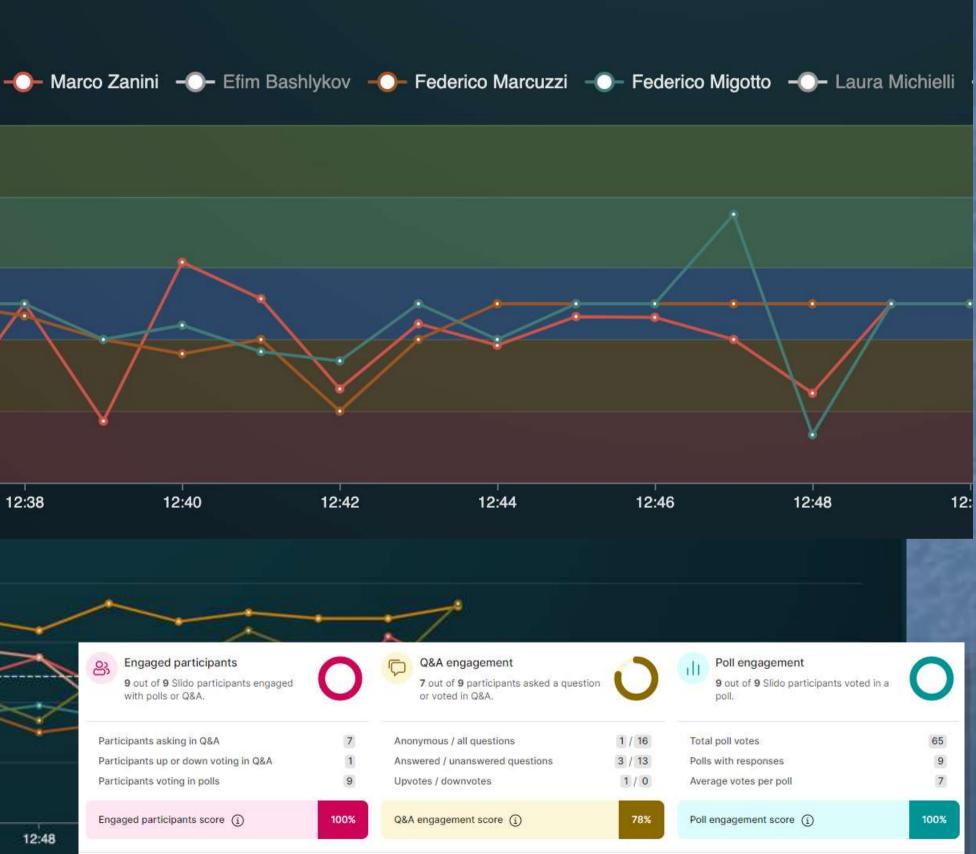
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Sentiment distribution

(Press "SHIFT" key to zoom).

• User attention trend • Sentiment distribution Positive SENTIMENT • Real time survey Slightly positive Neutral Slightly negative User's attention trend Negative (Press "SHIFT" key to zoom). 12:38 12:40 12:36 ATTENTION RATE Average overall attention: 0.49 **Engaged participants** 83 9 out of 9 Slido participants engaged with polls or Q&A. 0.4 Participants asking in Q&A 0.2 Participants up or down voting in Q&A Participants voting in polls Engaged participants score (i) 12:36 12:38 12:40 12:42 12:44 12:46 12:48





Metaverse and teacher

This dashboard is giving very interesting feed backs on

- how to improve educational material (slides, videos, ...)
- How to choose the 3D virtual environment depending on the topic of the lesson
- How to improve the organization/sequence of topics and modules
- How to manage the pace of lessons (intervals, voice, gesture, ...)

In EUROPA the first call to finance research projects to build **CITIVERSE CLOUD EU** which is expecting GEOtechnology + METAVERSE experts to collaborate (25 million USD per 8-10 projects) Focus on:

- smart communities
- sustainable mobility
- climate resilience
- energy flows
- zero-pollution

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