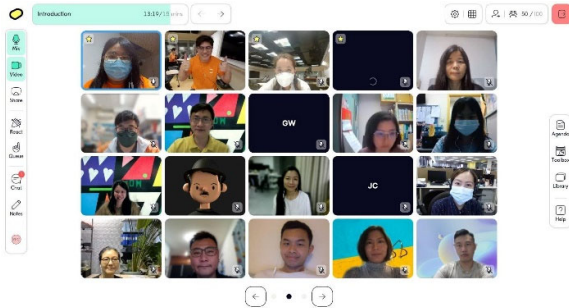


Highlights



Co-creation Workshop

Season 14: Carving Paths Together for Small Group Homes Co-creation Workshop and Youth Activity

PolyU Jockey Club "Operation SoInno" successfully organised an online co-creation workshop on 11 & 12 June to encourage idea sharing among participants from residential child care services and different sectors.

After that, a group of youths from small group homes joined a PolyU tour and explored their own spatial needs through games and art creation. Self-initiative, interest-based learning, emotional expression, and the need for personal and shared space were common starting points for most of the stakeholders to consider.

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Action Project

Season 13: Community Support for Carers Kickoff of Action Projects | Online Carer Support Matching Platform

The Action Projects for Season 13 themed "Community Support for Carers" has begun with the focus group interview with 9 elderlies from Sai Kung District Community Centre (SKDCC) conducted late June.

To design an Online Volunteer Matching Platform for the old-old carers, PolyU Jockey Club "Operation SoInno" interviewed 9 participants who are carers living in the district to understand their habits on using smartphones and their applications. During the focus group, we learnt not only new insights on user interface, but also the needs of our potential users. Stay tuned for updates on the platform development!

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Training Programme

Completion of POWER UP - NGO Service Innovation Training Programme

Given the subsided COVID situation in May, four "Power Up" Design Thinking workshops were successfully held face-to-face. 10 NGO teams went through the process of Design



Achievement

"The Socially Inclusive Waste Management Hub" won the Silver Award in the Hong Kong Institute of Planners Awards 2021

Every year, the Hong Kong Institute of Planners presents its annual award to honour the outstanding achievements of its members and related professionals in urban planning. "The

Thinking, and re-examined the needs of users, brainstormed new ideas, created prototype for testing, re-composed the plan of the projects, etc.

Wishing the teams all the best in implementing their projects soon, thereby bringing real changes in the society!

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Publication

Latest Release | Season 8: "Silver Age Startups" – "Report on Silver Age Startups in Hong Kong"

The "Silver Age Startups" Project of PolyU Jockey Club "Operation SoInno" Season 8 has come to an end for the time being. Throughout the journey, our senior entrepreneurs spared no effort to pursue their social business dreams.

The "Report On Silver Age Startups in Hong Kong" catalogued the challenges, achievements, and gains of a group of senior citizens rewarded from the process of creating new social enterprises, and also demonstrated the unlimited possibilities of "Active Ageing".

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Socially Inclusive Waste Management Hub ", one of the Action Projects in the Season 2 of "PolyU Jockey Club 'Operation SoInno'" is proud to be awarded the Silver Award in 2021, in recognition of our efforts in pushing forward age-friendly employment environment.

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Publication

Latest Release | SoInno Design Education - "SoInno Education Toolkit"

As a summary of our inter-curricular workshops working with 17 secondary schools in the past 3 years, PolyU Jockey Club "Operation SoInno" have published the "SoInno Design Education Toolkit" recently. It is a collection of the introduction of our programme, learning and teaching tools (Some tools are available for download), case studies, and the future plans.

We hope the methods and outcomes documented in this toolkit are inspirational to public and arouse more educators to introduce innovation into the classrooms.

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Scale-up Project

Kickoff of The Hong Kong Jockey Club Intergeneration Play Space @ Jat Min Chuen

With the support of the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust JCDISI will develop two pilot intergenerational play space spatial design schemes in collaboration with our strategic partner, Hong Kong Housing Society.

The first one being the "HKJC IG Play Space@ JMC" at Jat Min Chuen! The two-year pilot project advocates using an innovative intergenerational (IG) play space design concept to encourage IG interactions, promote healthy ageing and develop a replicable model which could be adopted in future open space designs. Work has started on understanding the existing users' patterns and aspirations of the community.

If you are interested in joining this community planning project please email disi.event@polyu.edu.hk for more info!



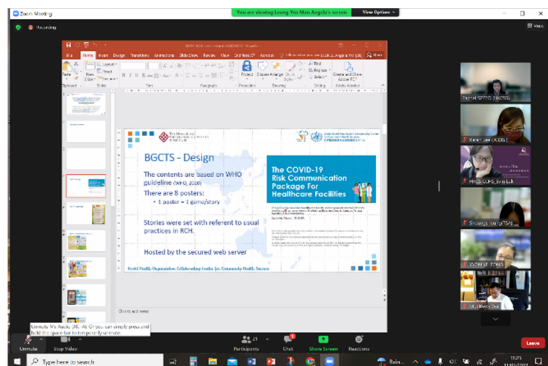
Forum

Social Innovation Regional Forum is back for 2022!

The Social Innovation Regional Forum of PolyU Jockey Club "Operation SoInno" will return in 2022! This year we explore what life under COVID-19 has meant, and will mean, for realising age-inclusive communities through social innovation across the regions.

Cross-sectoral experts will be invited to the our panel discussion session, design thinking workshops, the Main Forum to share their insights and experiences.

Stay tuned for further information for signing up to this flagship event!



Collaboration

Transdisciplinary Collaboration to Assist Residential Care Homes in Taming the Epidemic

To enhance preparedness for the 6th Covid-19 wave HKCSS and JCDISI started a collaboration to connect various PolyU departments – APSS, BEEE, BRE, SN, SD and The Squina International Centre for Infection Control – and the Hong Kong Institute of Architects to share their expert knowledge with Residential Care Homes for the Elderly (RCHE) operators to pilot service innovation models.

22 RCHE operators have signed up to work with the PolyU departments via the University Social Responsibility programme to increase their preparedness, e.g. air ventilation assessments, visitors contact, the app for infection management and spatial utilisation enhancement.

Stay tuned for our new developments.



Education

University Social Responsibility Network Virtual Boot Camp

JCDISI is delivering a virtual boot camp for the University Social Responsibility Network (USRN) in this summer!

Facilitated by professional designers and specialist mentors, the 45 student participants from Network Institutions around the world will learn how to analyse global challenges, gain solution design skills, and develop their own innovation prototype for social good in the COVID New Normal.

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Goodseed

12 Good Seed teams embark on their social innovation journey!

Good Seed 2022 Cohort 1 have been completed in May 2022. 12 teams are granted \$200,000 funding support to implement their projects. Recruitment for the 2022 Cohort 2 will be launched in September 2022. Looking forward to your participation!

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Scale-up Project

Adaptive furniture for Subdivided Units children is in the making!

Another round of inspection was carefully conducted alongside representatives from Hong Kong Land HOMEFUND, Hong Kong Design Centre, the Salvation Army, as well as cross-disciplinary research partners from PolyU School of Design, School of Optometry and Department of Biomedical Engineering, on a new furniture prototype produced by our selected manufacturer Hong Kong Souven Limited. Professional and constructive advices were ardently exchanged to better the design and functionalities of the furniture set.

The finalized design will be mass produced and delivered to SDU households in batches starting from mid-September. Stay tuned!

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