ParTecK18

Gathering Summary

At the nexus of big data, governance and ethics

Deep dive conversations ignited over 2 days as 42 participants representing tech industry, governance, social innovation and tech-innovation came together to explore how we nudge tech culture and governance towards more ethical practices in tech development. Presentations from thought leaders, innovators and deeply experienced practitioners, along with open space discussion and lightning round introductions allowed for meaningful exchange among a highly diverse group. The result was rich weaving of conversation that reflected both the breadth and depth available in the room.

Cultural Elder Kelly White of Musqueam First Nation honoured ParTecK18 with a Welcoming Prayer. She stayed and participated with us for both days, gifting her wise, humourous and powerful presence to the event.

ParTecK18 Presenters: links to bio & abstract, video, PowerPoints
- **Zack Stein**, *On the Ethics of Planetary Scale Measurement Meta-Structures* Bio & Abstract, Video
- **Chris Rowell** *Platform Economies as "Meritocracies" and Pro-Ethical Behaviour* Bio & Abstract, PPT, Video
- **Kelly White and Lee White** *Decolonizing Data and Ourselves* Bio & Abstract, PPT, Video
- **Andrea Reimer**, *Governance and Social Change* Bio, Video
- **Rochelle Fairfield**, *Max Neef's Needs Matrix* Bio, PPT
- **Carissa Kazyss**, *Introduction to Integral Theory* Bio, PPT
- *ParTecK17 Grant Projects—Summary* PPT

ParTecK18 Open Space Questions

Poignant questions were raised by participants during Open Space, including:

- How do we plan 7 generations in advance when the rate of change makes it hard to plan 7 months in ahead?

- What is the problem we are trying to solve?

- How can we shift culture to a more equitable and economically just society?

- Is an open source, democratic social media possible? desirable?

- How can AI navigate what we can not or should not measure?

- What does a decentralized commons, look, feel, operate like?

- How can we encourage tech companies to take social responsibility?

- Can corporations save the world? What is the best model to approach problems?

Open Space notes submitted by participants are available here.

Open Space summary notes as a wordle,

Feedback about ParTecK18

"Super helpful just to immerse in so much insight and have that change my thinking."

Highlights

Depth of Learning and Insight increased among participants on key topics.

> *"Learning about all the implications of big data at various levels, from people with varying interests, professions [was valuable]."*

> *"I've been able to get a much better understanding of blockchain and decentralization."*

Highly Relevant Focus Areas were appreciated by participants.

> *"Focus on social change, power and ethics made it a potent conversation."*

Diverse Perspectives and backgrounders present in the room inspired gratitude.

> *"The diversity and knowledge of the participants was valuable for discussion, learning and refining ideas relating to my work."*

Connections and Expanded Networks led to over a dozen collaborations initiated at ParTecK and participants were grateful for this opportunity.

Immersive, participatory format allowed for rich experiences.

> *"Super helpful just to immerse in so much insight and have that change my thinking."*

> *"The Open Space sessions were really interesting."*

Survey Results

84% believe HDC has an important role in creating a culture shift towards more ethics in tech development

71% had new ideas for collaboration

97% made connections with potential collaborators / partners in fields other than their own

81% had an insight directly related to a project

90% would recommend ParTecK to a friend or colleague

90% feel a ParTecK network would be of value and would be interested in participating

*data based on 74% response rate

Stay tuned for ParTecK in 2019!

We are interested in your ideas for themes.

Please send your ideas to rochelle@humandatacommons.org.

ParTecK18 Grant Recipients

These are the recipients of the HDC ParTecK Grant for 2018-2019:

1. Geoff Fitch, Tom Murray (ParTeck17), Ryan Cross (ParTeck17) and Caleb Buxton (Parteck17 & 18) to conduct a developmental assessment of the ParTeck community.

2. Carissa Kazyss and Erin Robinson (ParTeck 17 & 18) to develop a ParTeck network backgrounder.

3. John Richardson and Maryam Khezrzadeh (ParTeck18) to host a series of Salon Politics.

4. Justin Robinson, Geoff Fitch (ParTeck18) and Ian McCall (ParTecK18) to develop a podcast on Socio-Tech ethics.

5. Zach Schlosser and Carissa Kazyss (ParTeck17 & 18) on "Convening Digital Naturalness" - a continuation of their work around digital naturalness supported by a ParTeck17 grant.

6. Lee White, Mary Lou Hardy (ParTeck17 & 18), Tony Mayer (ParTeck18), Kelly White (ParTeck18) and James Delorme (ParTeck18) on cultural content called the Daily Decolonizer.

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