

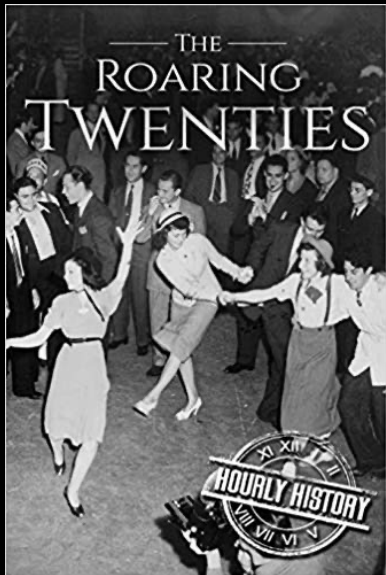
# ICT to support Science & Society in the Roaring Twenties

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# ICT to support the transformation of Science in the Roaring Twenties

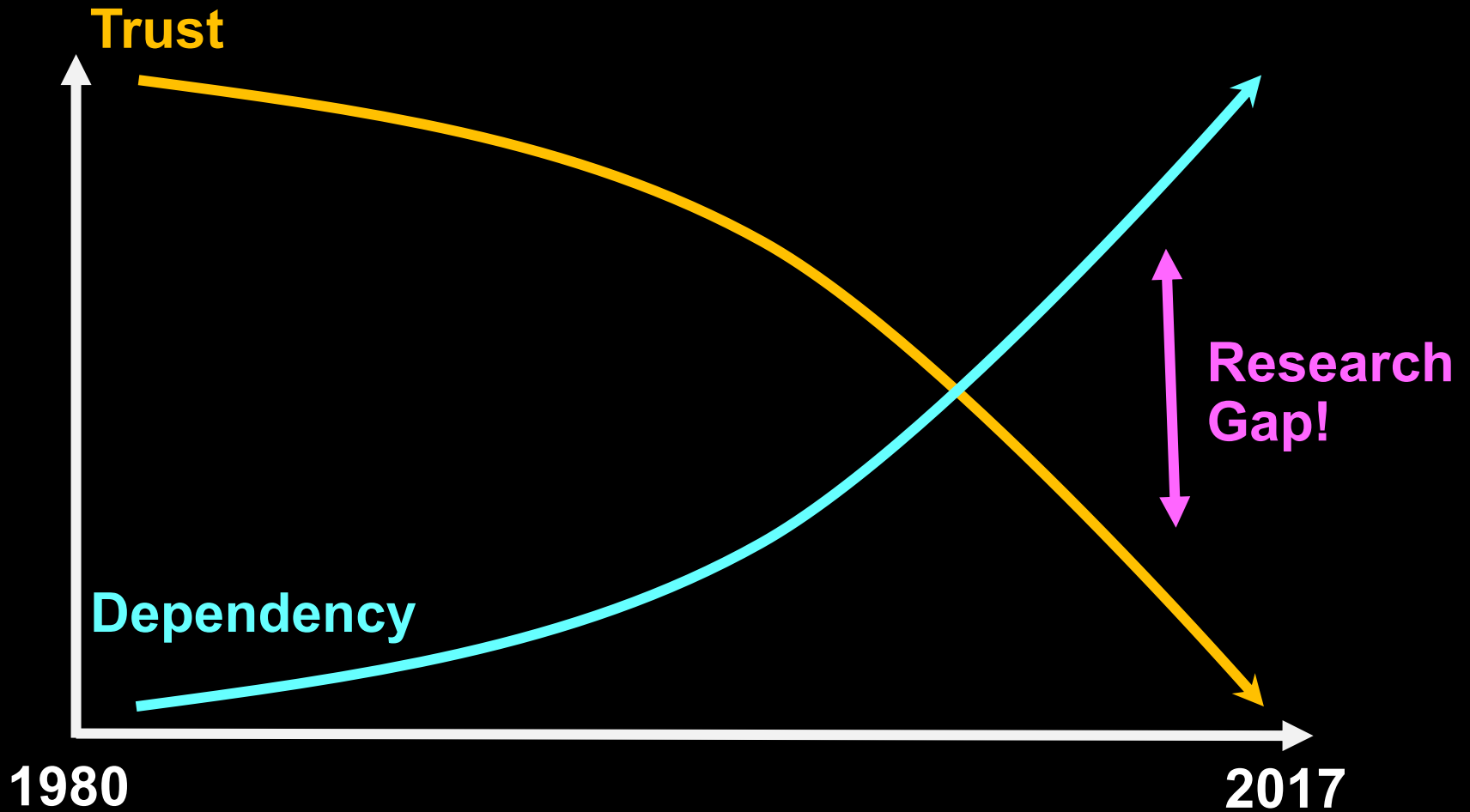


From Wikipedia: The Roaring Twenties refers to the decade of the 1920s in Western society and Western culture. It was a period of **economic prosperity** with a distinctive cultural edge in the United States and Western Europe, particularly in major cities such as Berlin, Chicago, London, Los Angeles, New York City, Paris, and Sydney. In France, the decade was known as the "**années folles**" ('crazy years'), emphasizing the era's **social, artistic and cultural dynamism**. Jazz blossomed, the flapper redefined the modern look for British and American women, and **Art Deco** peaked....

This period saw the large-scale development and use of automobiles, telephones, movies, radio, and electrical appliances being installed in the lives of thousands of Westerners. Aviation soon became a business. Nations saw **rapid industrial and economic growth, accelerated consumer demand**, and introduced significantly new changes in **lifestyle and culture**. The media focused on celebrities, especially sports heroes and movie stars, as cities rooted for their home teams and filled the new palatial cinemas and gigantic sports stadiums. In most major democratic states, women won the right to vote. The **right to vote** made a huge impact on society.



# Fading Trust in Internet



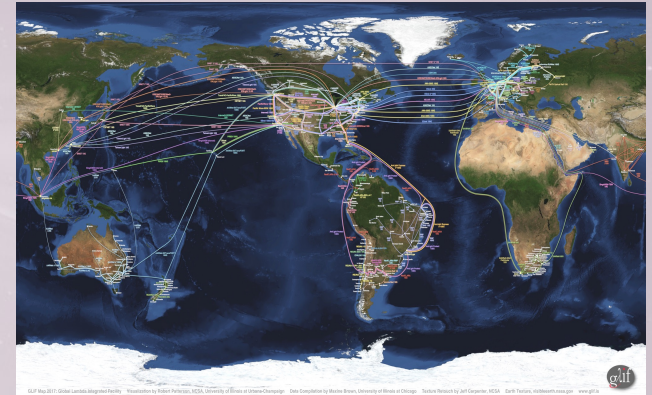
## Mission

- **The Systems and Networking Lab conducts research on leading-edge computer systems of all scales, ranging from global-scale systems and networks to embedded devices.**
- **Across these multiple scales our particular interest is on extra-functional properties of systems, such as performance, programmability, productivity, security, trust, sustainability and, last but not least, the societal impact of emerging systems-related technologies.**



## Broad spectrum of research

- Advanced networks / Internet architecture
  - Network programmability / Overlays / Virtualisation
  - Authorisation of Internet resources
  - Quality of service for apps on Clouds
  - Systems: Embedded / real time / parallel / design
  - Performance & Compilers & ExaScale
  - Safe Secure Data Sharing / Processing
  - Data Sovereignty & Normative Agents & Trust → AmDEX
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- **Well funded accross the theme → ~ 8,5 Meuro in last 3 years, mostly from NWO / EU and smaller portion from SURF and Industry**



## Data Hub Firms

- Leading to monopolies
- Open Data Markets
- → AmDEX

# Harvard Business Review



<https://hbr.org/2017/09/managing-our-hub-economy>

The screenshot shows the top portion of a Harvard Business Review article. At the top left is the Harvard Business Review logo. To the right are search, shopping cart, and navigation links (Subscribe, Sign In, Register). The main title is "Managing Our Hub Economy" in large, bold black font. Below the title, it says "by Marco Iansiti and Karim R. Lakhani" and "FROM THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2017 ISSUE". To the right of the title is a "WHAT TO READ NEXT" section with a small image and the text "The IT Transformation Health Care Needs". Below the title and authors are icons for SUMMARY, SAVE, SHARE, COMMENT, TEXT SIZE, PRINT, and BUY COPIES (\$8.95). The main image is a circular, multi-layered structure resembling a modern building's interior or a complex data visualization. Below the image is the sub-heading "I. The Problem" and the start of the article text.

**ECONOMY**

## Managing Our Hub Economy

by Marco Iansiti and Karim R. Lakhani  
FROM THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2017 ISSUE

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**WHAT TO READ NEXT**

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### I. The Problem

The global economy is coalescing around a few digital superpowers. We see unmistakable evidence that a winner-take-all world is emerging in which a small number of "hub firms"—including Alibaba, Alphabet/Google, Amazon, Apple, Baidu, Facebook, Microsoft, and Tencent—occupy central positions. While creating real value for users, these companies are also capturing a disproportionate and expanding share of the value, and that's shaping our collective economic future. The very same technologies that promised to democratize business are now threatening to make it more monopolistic.

## Data value creation monopolies



## Create an equal playing field

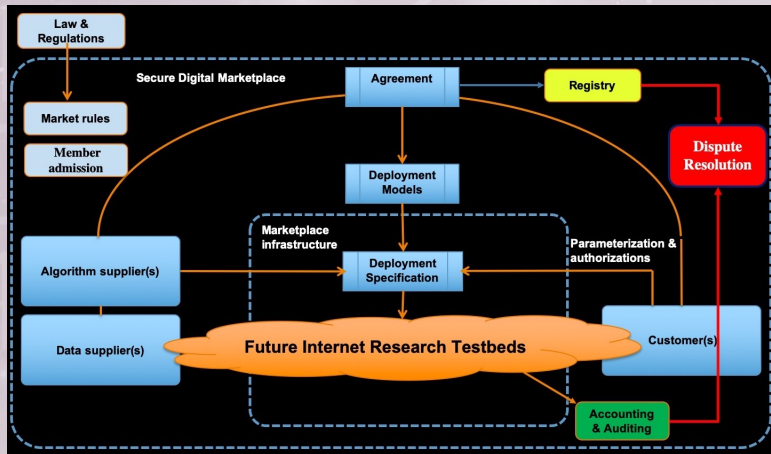
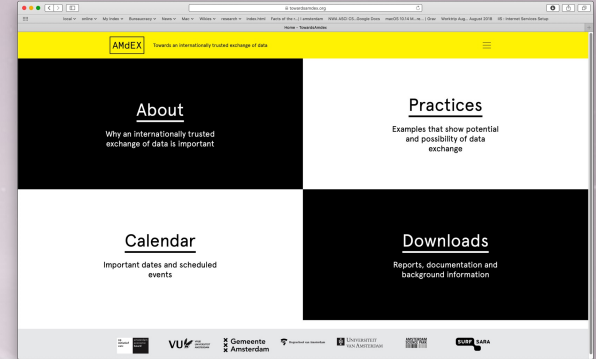


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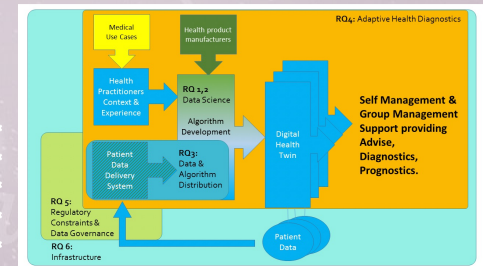
## AMdEX.eu

- Competing organisations, share data for common benefit
- Trust, Risk, data ownership & control
  - Industry: AF-KLM, Health, etc
  - Science: European Open Science Cloud
  - Society: Amsterdam Economic Board



Aircraft Maintenance AF-KLM

## Health: Enabling Personal Interventions



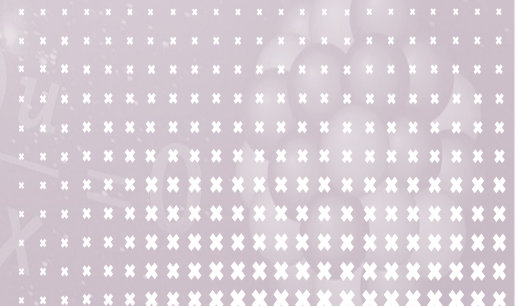
## Position

### ▪ Nationally

- ASCI research School
- Close cooperation with VU, eScience center, SURF, TU-Delft, TNO-ICT
- KPMG, KLM, ASML, TNO-ESI, THALES, PHILIPS

### ▪ Internationally

- Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Dept of Energy, NSF, UC San Diego
- SuperComputing / SCinet
- Internet2, GEANT
- Environmental e-Infrastructures, LifeWatch
- Fraunhofer, IDSA
- Equinix, CIENA





## Future

- Split the “old” group
- Add security by design
- Quantum node in national network
- Ethics
- Open Science



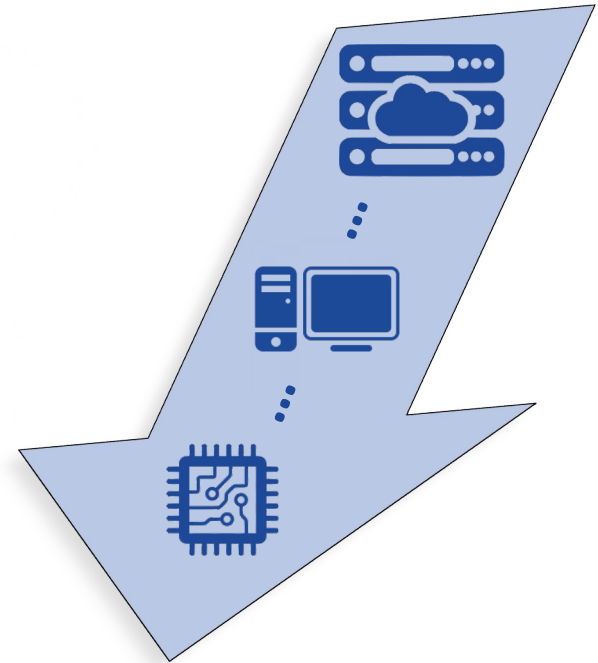
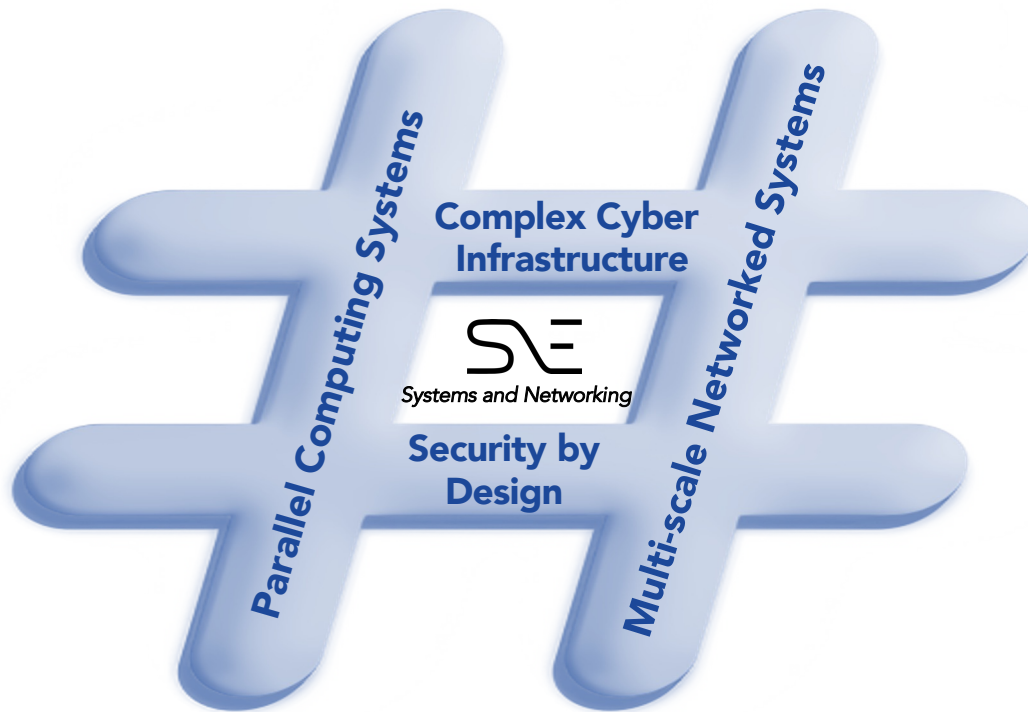
Photo: dr. Yuri Demchenko

**The constant factor in our field is CHANGE!**

# The fate of SNE

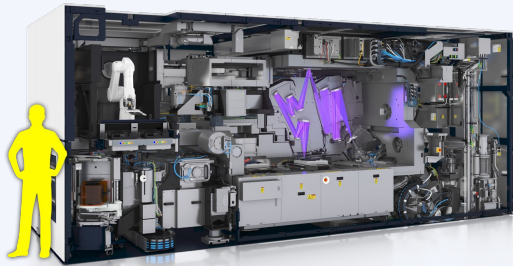
- System and Networking group
  - ~70 persons, ~45 fte in 2019
  - Stepped down and suggested split the original group
  - Multiscale Networked Systems (MNS)
    - Prof.dr. Paola Grosso
    - <https://mns-research.nl/>
  - Complex Cyber Infrastructure (CCI)
    - Dr. Zoltan Mann
    - <https://cci-research.nl/>
  - Parallel Computing Systems (PCS)
    - Prof.dr. Andy Pimentel
    - <https://pcs-research.nl/>

Now over 100 persons, well funded with projects and strong education programs.



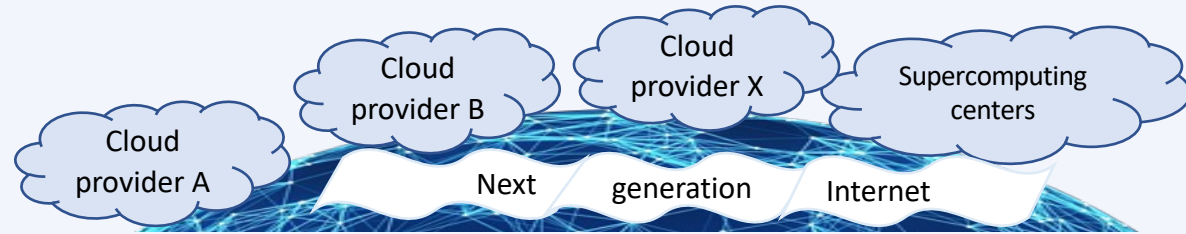
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# Systems and Networking research with great impact



## Analysis and Optimization of Cyber-Physical Systems

In collaboration with:



## Programmability, automaticity and performance of Multiscale Networked Systems

In collaboration with:



In collaboration with:



## Security by Design: Amsterdam Cyber Security Center



In collaboration with:



# Challenges ahead

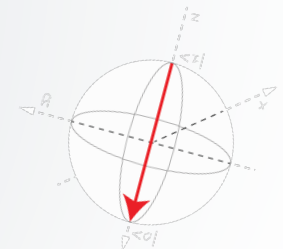
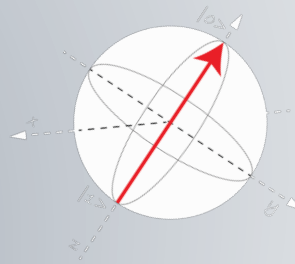
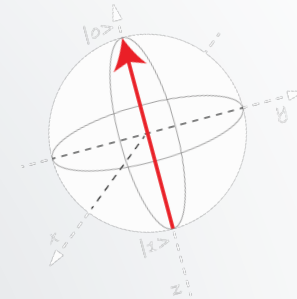
- Knowledge safety (“kennisveiligheid”)
- Security – the attacks on our CI
- Cyber Infrastructure is not resilient wrt geopolitical changes
- The transformation of Science in the digital age
- Reinventing Libraries
- The (in)dependence on big tech, plan a-b, exit strategies, etc.
- Sovereignty: **Be yourself in a digital world!**

# QuSoft

Research Center for Quantum Software



Christian Schaffner  
Director



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**Collaboration** between University of Amsterdam and CWI, founded 8 years ago

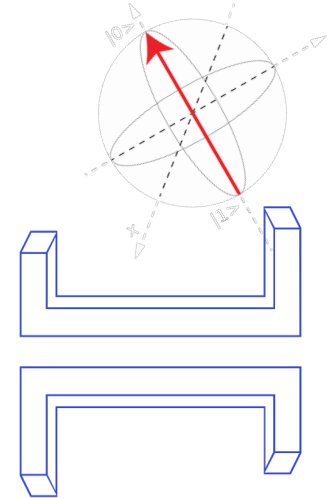
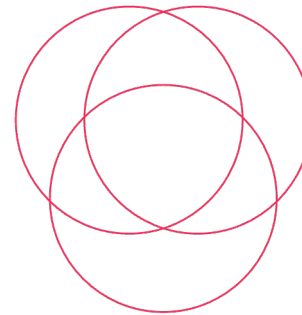
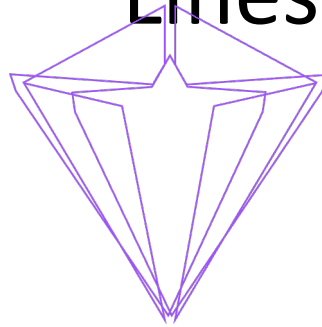
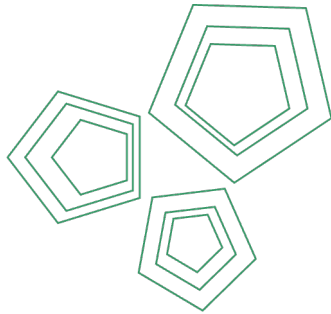
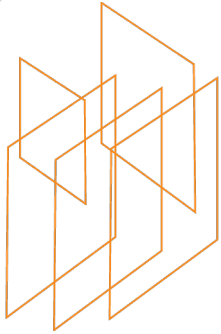
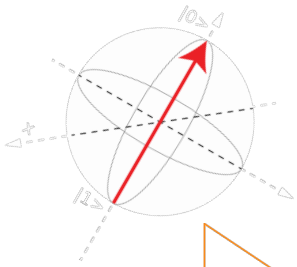
**5 Research Lines:** Q Simulations; Q Information Science; Cryptography in a Q world; Q Algorithms & Complexity; Q for Society and Business

**74 People:** 32 senior researchers, 13 PDs, 24 PhDs, 5 support staff, 50% internationals

**Top scientific contributions:** e.g. to Quantum Information Processing (QIP) workshop, conferences, journals, personal grants etc.

# QuSoft Research Lines

Research Center for Quantum Software



- Quantum Simulation and Few-Qubit Applications
- Physics behind near-term quantum devices

- Quantum Information Science
- Exploring the mathematical foundations

- Cryptography in a Quantum World
- Post-quantum security
- Quantum internet

- Quantum Algorithms and Complexity
- Designing for quantum speed-ups
- What are the limits?

- Quantum for Society and Business
- Connections with business
- Societal impact



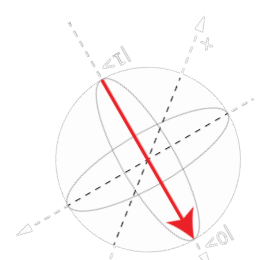
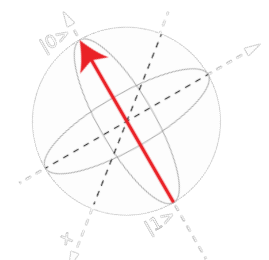
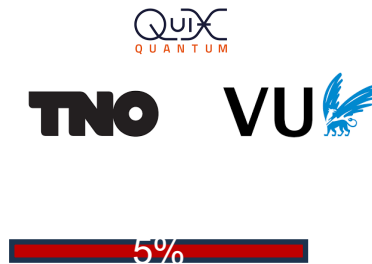
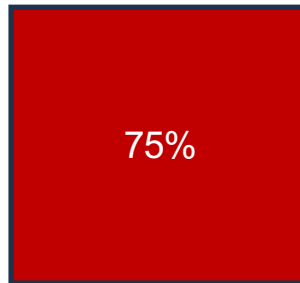
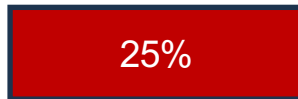
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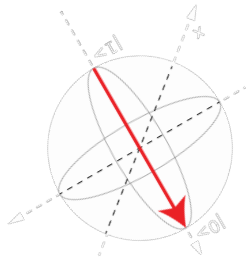


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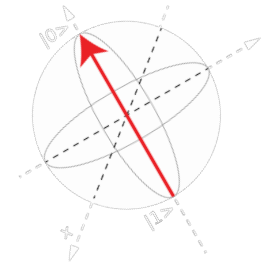


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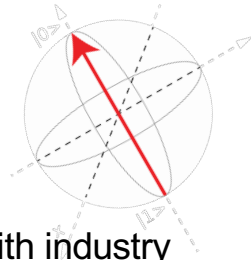




# People involved: 74



# Vibrant and dynamic organization



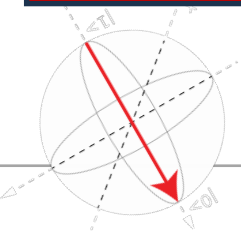
## Collaborations with industry



## PhD graduates: 3-4 graduates per year

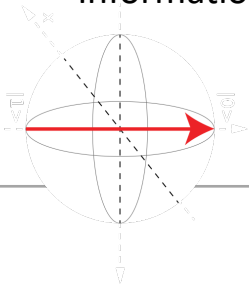
<p>Quasirandomness in quantum information theory</p> <p>Farrokh Labib</p>	<p>On January 26th 2022, Farrokh Labib defended his thesis titled "Quasirandomness in quantum information theory". Farrokh's dissertation contributes to a large international research program that wants to map how information can be processed on quantum systems, understanding when this has or does not have advantages over classical information processing.</p>
<p>Making and Breaking with Science and Conscience</p> <p>O.L. van Daalen</p>	<p>Ot van Daalen has been awarded a PhD (in the field of Information Law) on October 5th, 2022. His thesis, titled: "Making and Breaking with Science and Conscience: The human rights-compatibility of information security governance in the context of quantum computing and encryption" discusses how an attack with a quantum computer could expose the private information of millions of people. Governments must therefore invest in alternative technology to protect us. This work is part of the Quantum for Society and Business research line within QuSoft.</p>
<p>Quantum information theory and many-body physics</p> <p>Freek Witteveen</p>	<p>On June 10th, 2022, Freek Witteveen defended his PhD thesis titled: "Quantum information theory and many-body physics". "What is information?" and how does the essence of information change when we think quantum rather than classical? "What is computation? And how does quantum computation differs from classical computation?" In his PhD thesis, F. Witteveen studies how to answer these questions within quantum information theory and applies the answers as a theoretical tool to improve our conceptual understanding of many-body physics. [This thesis has been awarded the 2023 Stieltjes Prize. To be included in the next year report.]</p>

## Very international community



- ERC Starting Grant Stacey Jeffery, January 2023
- First QuSoft Retreat, June 7-9 2022 [with guests Gilles Brassard and Robert König]
- Second QuSoft retreat 2023
  
- STOC 10-year test of time reward for Ronald de Wolf, June 2022
- Godel Prize for Ronald de Wolf, May 2023
  
- Prof Gilles Brassard visiting professor on Turing Chair: June 2022 – December 2022
- 2023 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics, Gilles Brassard
  
- Launch of European Quantum Software Institute (EQSI), Paris, Nov 8 2022
  
- Number of QuSoft-affiliated accepted articles at annual flagship workshop Quantum Information Processing (QIP): 12 in 2022, 10 in 2023.

## Selected Highlights 2022 / 2023



# Entangled ecosystem

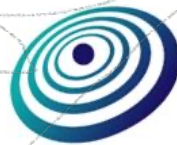
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Institute

**QSC** Quantum  
Software  
Consortium

**QA** Quantum.Amsterdam



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**QAL**

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- Core activities



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**Bring the ecosystem together**

Outreach

Networking events

Acquire companies @ ASP



**Education and Inspiration**

Workshops

Q.A Experience

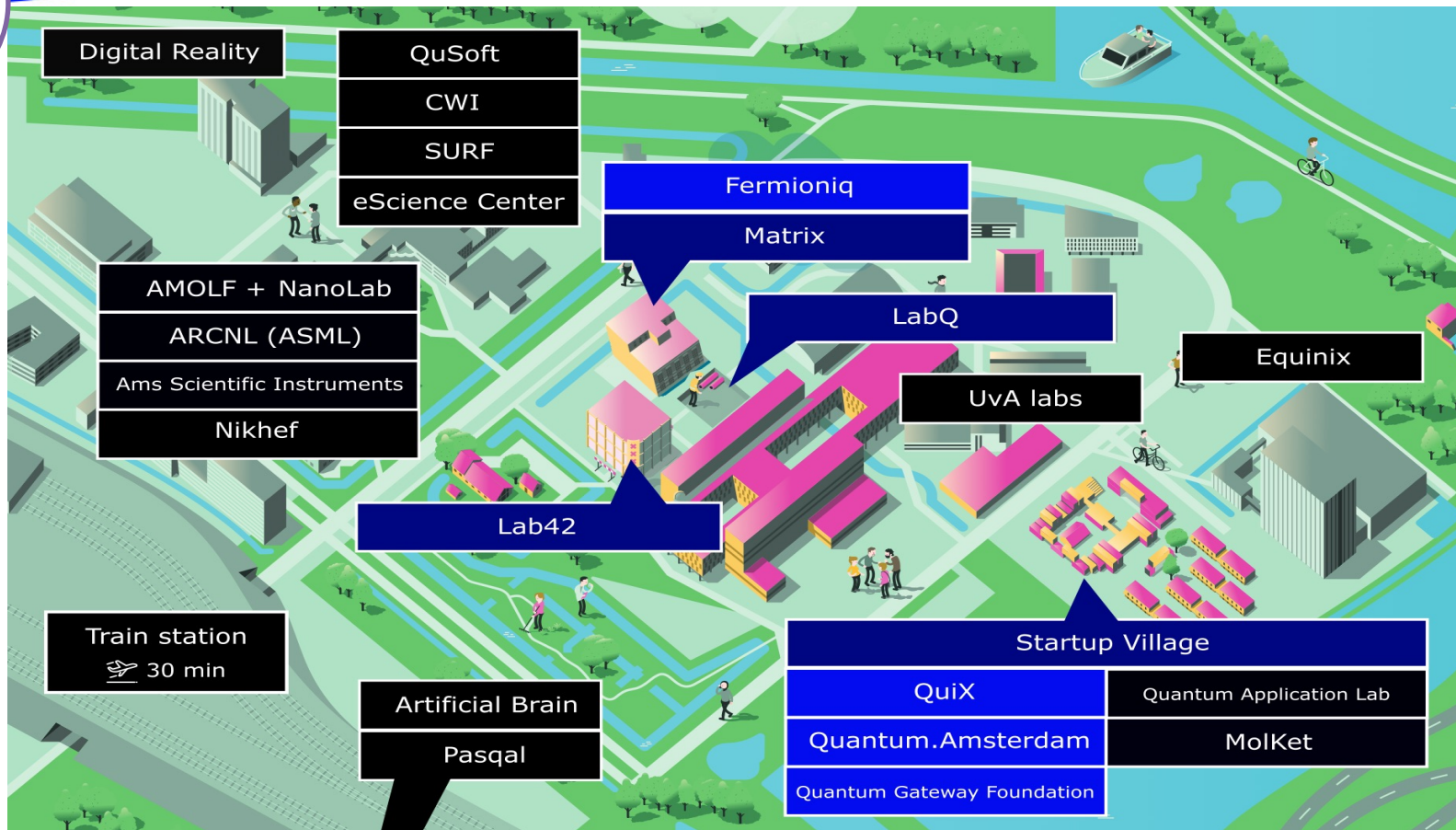
Talent & Learning Center



**R&D Collaborations**

Set up PhD/PD projects

Liaison to Growth Fund








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# Quantum Education Matrix

Audience ↓	Basic introduction	Technical			Programming	Business Impact	
							
Bright high-school students	Q.A Experience	[AUAS + LEI] Quantum Experiment <a href="#">Havo</a>	[UvA] Masterclass	Quantum Quest	<div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">                     [AUAS] Introduction into Quantum Computing (Coming Q2 2024)                 </div>		
University: Bachelor		[AUAS] Summer school (2023)	[AUAS] Minor Applied QC [AUAS] Theme Semester Quantum enabling tech.	[AUAS] Internship program			
University: Master		National Quantum Course (coming 14.4-2024)		[UvA] Recommended courses [BSc + MSc]			
			[UvA] Master Quantum Computer Science (2024) [NL+FR+DU] Quantum Summer School (2024) [AUAS+THUAS+Saxion+Fontys] Professional Master AQT (2025)				<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <a href="#">[UvA] Quantum in Business and Society</a> </div>
Current Workforce			In-house workshops			<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <a href="#">Workshop General Awareness Quantum Computing ↓</a> </div>	
Anyone (general outreach)		<a href="#">Introduction into Quantum Computing (ABS)</a>	Quantum talks		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <a href="#">Masterclass Intro to Quantum Technology ↓</a> </div> <div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <a href="#">Professional's Guide to Quantum Technology</a> </div>		



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# MSc in Quantum Computer Science (QuCS)



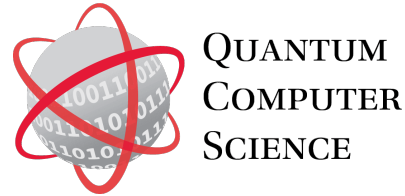
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# • About the programme



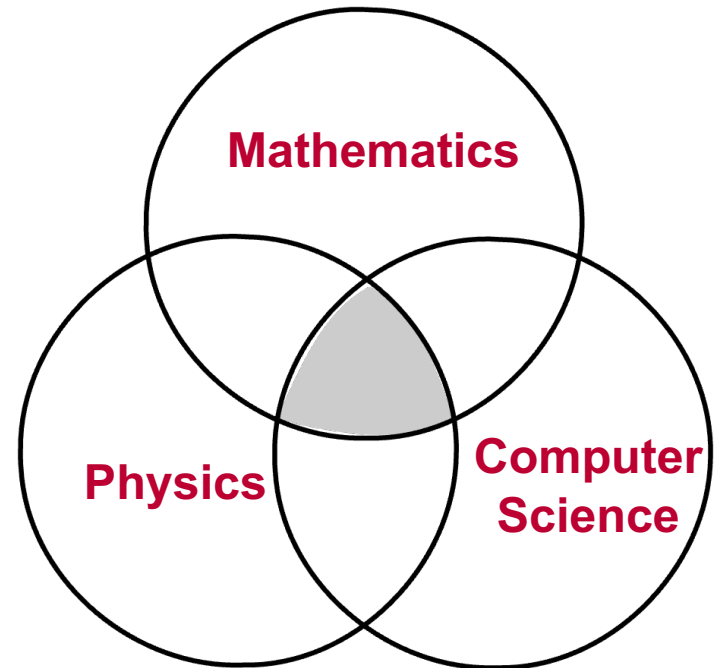
## Research-based programme

- Very strong connection with **active research** in QuSoft
  - All lecturers are QuSoft members!
- Much of industry is research based as well

## Focus on Theoretical Aspects

- **Not** an engineering programme!
- No practical lab sessions
- Focus on theoretical physics, mathematics, algorithms and programming

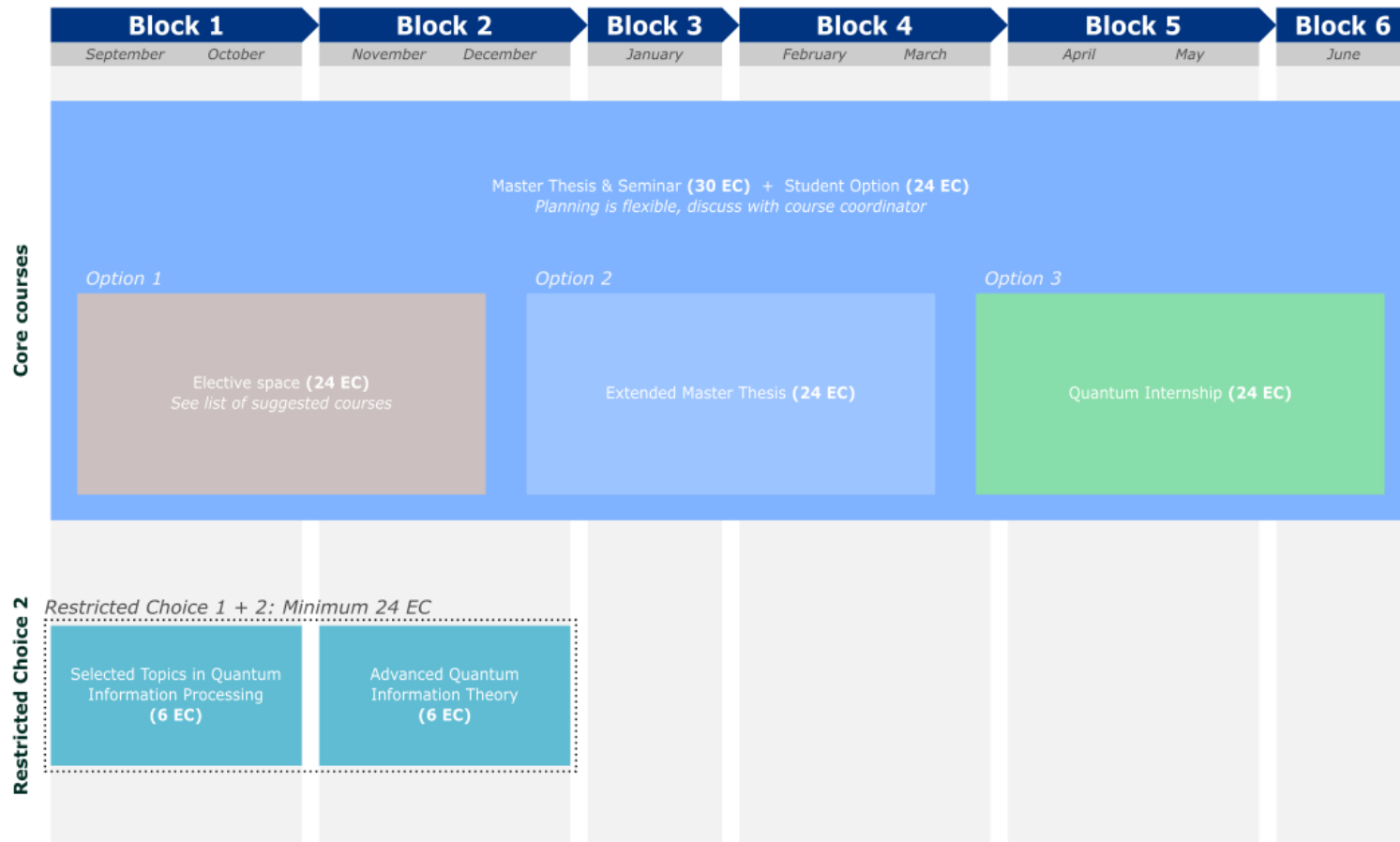
## Interdisciplinary



# First year – Curriculum

	<b>Block 1</b> September    October	<b>Block 2</b> November    December	<b>Block 3</b> January	<b>Block 4</b> February    March	<b>Block 5</b> April    May	<b>Block 6</b> June
<b>Core courses</b>	Quantum Computing (8 EC)			Quantum Information Theory (8 EC)		Quantum in Society (3 EC)
	Introduction to Quantum Hardware (6 EC)			Orientation Year 2 (1 EC)		
<b>Restricted Choice 1</b>	<i>Restricted Choice 1 + 2: Minimum 24 EC</i>					
		Near-term Quantum Computing (3 EC)	Quantum Programming Project (3 EC)	Advanced Quantum Algorithms (6 EC)	Quantum Cryptography (6 EC)	Quantum in Business (3 EC)
<b>Free choice</b>	Elective space <i>See list of suggested courses</i>					
	QuSoft Research Project (6 EC) <i>Planning is flexible, discuss with course coordinator</i>					

# Second year – Curriculum





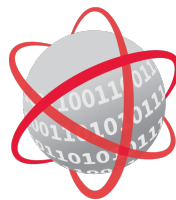
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