<center>**Future Force – Online forum**</center>

What is it?:

The online platform for the Future Force project, is *a kind of social network* for approximately 10.000 user, aged 8 – 13. At the same time, it is *an interactive game*, where reality is augmented by the users. In this game, the user swears to become a superhero and to do his or her best to complete all the quests set by the superhero community. These tasks are preset and consist of 10 levels with 10 quests per level. When completing 7 quests in one level, the user levels up, and when completing 10 quests in one level, he or she gets a special prize or online badge.
Within the game are 10 mini-games (one on each level), each of which are a quest, so that these are completed by accomplishing a certain score in the game.
Doing anything, from completing quests, to uploading pictures etc, earns the user XP (experience points).

The forum is "hosted" by a team of 5 grown up superheroes, who have recorded videos for some of the quests and additional information.

How does it work?:

This is a description of what a user should experience when entering the forum.

All videos mentioned, will be produced by the performing artists, but if ideas arise while coding the page, when it comes to colours or other things that make the videos and the rest of the page blend more aesthetically, we are very open to incorporating these ideas.
The videos will all be on a YouTube or Vimeo account, protected by passwords that must be used when accessing them.

1. First-time users have been given a special password or code, when meeting a superhero at an event or interactive performance in a school. This password leads from the first page, which should only display a simple logo, on to the log-in page. This password is unique.
2. The log-in page is a typical log-in page, where you can choose to log-in or to create a new account. When creating a new superhero-account, one has to use the unique password used on page one. There can be created only one account per unique password.
3. Creating a new account starts by showing the user a welcome video of a grown up superhero, welcoming the user and telling him or her what it takes to start an account. Theses steps include:
   1. Creating a superhero alter-ego, i.e. Name.
   2. Deciding on the superheroes favourite subject, choosing between water, energy, ecology, movement and recycling. This basically decides which of five logos is affixed to the superheroes profile.
   3. Which superhero group they belong to. The users will be asked to divide into(or have been divided into by their teacher) groups of 3 or 4 individuals. When joining a group, they have to use a common password that they have themselves generated/chosen. These groups will be completing certain quests together.
   4. Telling which city they live in and which school they belong to. Theses are to be marked on an integrated map, either Google or similar.
   5. Making a hand made superhero mask out of recycled or *organic (meaning environmentally friendly, not just carbon-based :-))* materials.
   6. Getting a photo (headshot) taken of oneself, wearing the mask.
   7. Uploading the photo to the profile.

4. The user now gets to see his or her profile, with photo, superhero group and superhero logo. Completing the profile give the user his/her first XP. By the profile are different stats which are all visible to other superheroes using the forum. Theses are:
    1. Number of XP.
    2. Current level.
    3. Number of completed quests. These are divided into 5 stacks, these being; Water, Move(bicycle/transport), Energy, Eco and Recycle. Their will be an equal number of quests for each stack (20 for each).
    4. special badges.
    5. number of pics uploaded, with a link to the hero's personal gallery.
    6. number of videos uploaded, with a link to the hero's personal video gallery.
    7. Name of school and city.
5. The page should be somewhat similar to that which we all recognize from Facebook or other social networks like it, but cleaner, with no adds or unnecessary information. The things that each superhero should see on their page are:
    1. Their profile as shown above.
    2. An overview of all quests, showing which ones they have completed and which ones are yet to be unlocked. The ones that they can currently have a go at completing should be highlighted and maybe even glowing, pulsating or in some other way be demanding of attention.
    3. Their photo and video galleries. In the galleries, there should be a common gallery for their group. This can be accessed and added to by all the members.
    4. Small thumb pics of their group members.
    5. A message box, where they can send messages between group members.
    6. A link to a forum/chat, where they can discuss solutions and other things with other heroes that do not belong to their group.
    7. A map or link to a map, showing where in the country there are currently superhero groups. From here, they should be able to click on a group and view that groups members and stats.
    8. A link to a leaderboard, showing which individuals (by alter egos) and groups have completed the most quests at the moment.
    9. From the leaderboard, it should be possible to view other superheroes profiles. It should never be possible to view user's real names, only their alter-egos.
    10. Other things that we have not yet thought of.
6. The quests should, as is mentioned above, all be visible, but only the ones that can currently be accessed are clickable.
7. When a user clicks on a quest, there should be a special quest page, where the user can see which quest and which level this is and whether it is an individual quest or one they have to complete with their group.
8. Most quests will have either a text, with pictures and/or a video, describing the task and sometimes giving hints, ideas or tutorials as to how the quest can be completed.
9. When a quest is completed, XP and acknowledgement of the quest are given in different ways:
    1. Some quests happen in the real world, and therefore need to be documented through photo or video. This documentation has to be reviewed by an administrator who can then accept this documentation. Therefore, there needs to be an e-mail that is sent to this person when a quest is handed in. There also has to be some sort of control-panel, where the administrator can mark quests as completed, thus awarding XP to the users. For these quests, the user needs to receive a message, saying that his/her quest result is being reviewed. It would also be great if administrators can add new video- and photographic content a well as send messages to one or all groups/heroes. Maybe the videos and photographs could be in a special administrator gallery,

viewable by all, or maybe they should just be sent to heroes in messages.

    2. Some quests are things that have to be completed online by the users, with correct or incorrect answers. These should automatically generate XP and acknowledgement when completed.

    3. 1 quest per level (in total 10 quests) are to be mini-games that generate XP and acknowledgement, when the player scores a certain amount of points.

10. The 10 mini-games are planned as flash games or other browser based apps that, through a game, teach the users about recycling, eco-systems, the earth's water-cyclus, how the green-house effect works etc. Descriptions of how these games should function, look like etc will follow. They are currently being designed and planned on a theoretical level, but no coding or graphics have yet been created.

11. After a user or group of users has completed all the quests, they receive a special video, in which they are welcomed into the elite of superheroes. They also get access to a special forum, where they can challenge each other and other superheroes, by creating new quests for the elite players.

12. There might be more in the future, for users who complete all quests, but this is still just a potentiality.