8th ERION Meeting
Implementing Open Science in daily research practice for Ethics and Research Integrity: Focus on Horizon Europe

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**ERION is the Ethics and Research Integrity Officer Network within EARMA.** It is an open community to discuss the practical and implementation side of Research Ethics and Integrity. The community is for all those that need to ensure compliance, efficiency, functionality, fairness and robustness in the practices and processes in their organisation. Such people may have titles as Ethics/Integrity Officer, Administrator and many others. You should have the role of a practitioner within your organisation. This event is NOT about Research in Ethics and Research Integrity.

**Date:** 13 October 2021  
**Place:** Online, Videoconference via Zoom

### Agenda (Time Zone: CET, Brussels time)

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In this session, we will have speakers bringing different angles: ambassadors in universities, officers from the European Commission and representatives from European projects. Speakers will reflect together with the ERION community members upon new challenges in open science, particularly in regards to ethics and research integrity and implications for daily practice. Particular attention will be given to the newly adopted Horizon Europe programme of the European Commission and implications for ethics and integrity practitioners.

1) **Embracing Open Science**

Open Science is about opening and increasing transparency of the research process, to create an environment where research-generated knowledge is shared and made available without barriers, consequently improving the quality and trustworthiness of research. Open Science supports better collaboration and multidisciplinarity, while keeping an eye on ethical considerations and integrity issues. The tag line “as open as possible, as closed as necessary” is a guiding principle.

- **Inge Van Nieuwerburgh**, Open Science Team, Ghent University Library

2) **Open science and research integrity – how do they mutually reinforce each other?**

The presentation will discuss the role of open science practices in reinforcing research integrity, and how at the same time research integrity contributes to open science. It will also describe how open science practices contributing to research integrity are incentivized through the Horizon Europe programme.

- **Silvia Bottaro**, Legal Officer Open Science, European Commission, Open Science Unit
3) **Overview of research ethics and research integrity challenges and the rationale for the ROSiE project**

Open science raises new questions about research ethics, research integrity and misconduct. In our presentation, we will identify the potential for misconduct in various areas of open science practice and a preliminary overview of current ethical, social and legal approaches to responding to questionable practices. We will then present the rationale for the H2020 ROSiE project based on this identification.

- Søren Holm, Professor of Medical Ethics, University of Oslo, and Professor of Bioethics, University of Manchester & Rosemarie de La Cruz Bernabe, Professor, University of South-Eastern Norway; ROSiE Project Co-Coordinators

**Moderator:** Stefanie Van der Burght, Research Integrity Advisor, Ghent University; ERION Co-Chair

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In this session we go deeper into the topic of the meeting by focusing on specific aspects of open science linked to ethical challenges. Special attention will be given to challenging areas of open science with ethical implications next to examples of good practices (e.g. meta data, artificial intelligence, General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), publishing, etc.). Speakers will address questions related to open data but also open communication and open publication.

1) **How are publishers adapting to an open research landscape?**

This talk will address the changing role of publishers in the developing open research landscape, focusing on some of the common ethical and research integrity issues that crop up and highlighting how the European Commission’s new publishing platform, Open Research Europe is addressing some of these issues.

- Kelly Woods, Senior Associate Publisher, F1000

2) **Trying to be completely open as an Open Science Programme – successes and struggles**

In 2018 Utrecht University presented an Open Science plan that set ambitious goals for the period 2019-2021, closely followed by the launch of the Open Science Programme and the institution of the Open Science Programme Team. Now, two and a half years into the programme, we have made progress on the four tracks ‘Recognition & Rewards’, ‘Public Engagement’, ‘FAIR data & software’ and ‘Open Access’. During this process we ran ourselves into a few ethical issues related to privacy and open data. This talk will provide further insights about the overall process.

- Judith de Haan, Open Science Programme Manager, Utrecht University

**Moderator:** Jonas Åkerman, Research Integrity and Ethics Coordinator, Stockholm University; ERION Co-Chair

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We will start with an ice breaker activity (!) to energise ourselves before going into the zoom discussion tables. Participants will discuss in several groups (7-12 people each). Discussions in each group will be facilitated by one moderator and one rapporteur. Inspired by the morning presentations, we will discuss institutional practices based on the below questions:
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- What policies do you have in place?
- What remaining issues are unsolved (and difficult to work around in practice)?
- What are the ideas for improvement?

Short reports from the breakout sessions will be put on the [SINAPSE platform](https://www.sinapse-platform.org). If you do not have access to the SINAPSE platform, register for the [ERION community](https://www.earma.org) first. You will then get a link to the platform.

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<td>At the end of the zoom discussion tables, all groups will gather together to identify common themes and ideas emerged during the session and share these among community members.</td>
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