



## Eurodoc News

### Eurodoc Conference 2020 and Annual General Meeting - POSTPONED



Due to the current situation related to the coronavirus, we will not be able to hold the [Eurodoc Conference “Open Up your Science”](#) and Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Warsaw on the scheduled dates (22-23 and 24-25 April 2020). The situation with coronavirus is still changing rapidly and we will provide you with more information about the new dates for both events as soon as possible.

### Eurodoc to Take an Active Role in the European Commission Open Research Publishing Platform - Open Research Europe



On 20 March 2020, the European Commission announced that it had awarded [F1000 Research](#) the opportunity to launch an ambitious [Open Access Publishing Platform](#) for Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe, in which Eurodoc together with the Association of European Research Libraries ([LIBER](#)) And Global Young Academy ([GYA](#)) will participate as an expert partner. “We are proud to be part of the project and work together with F1000 Research and other stakeholders. The ORE platform, with mandatory FAIR data policy and possibility of preprints and open-peer review will

help us to promote a new mode for publishing in the future - said [Eva Hnátková](#), Eurodoc President. Read the full text [here](#).

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## Eurodoc Requests to Become a Consultative Member of BFUG



Eurodoc requested to change its current status from 'partner' to 'consultative member' of the Bologna Follow-Up Group (BFUG) in order to raise the voice of doctoral candidates within the European Higher Education (EHEA) policies. See the [Eurodoc Letter to the BFUG Secretariat](#). Our request will be on the agenda of the next BFUG Meeting held in Split, Croatia on 25-26 June 2020. More info [here](#).

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## Eurodoc: The Time for Gender Equality in Research is Now!



Eurodoc has chosen to focus on Equality issues and advocates for promoting equal opportunities for all Early Career Researchers (ECRs) wishing to pursue a career in research as part of its annual strategic goals. With this mind, Eurodoc joined the [Community of Practice \(CoP\)](#) on sustainable gender equality, a collective of European institutions and organisations committed to implementing the European Research Area's gender goals. Eurodoc is the only organization within the CoP representing ECRs. If you want to help us to build a research environment free from gender discrimination, please share your opinion and join the Eurodoc Working Group on Equality by writing an email to [equality@eurodoc.net](mailto:equality@eurodoc.net)! The full text is available [here](#).

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## Eurodoc Joins DocEnhance Project



Together with [EUA-CDE](#), [PRIDE Network](#), [TRESS ACADEMIC](#) and [AARRESAARI](#), Eurodoc is part of the External Advisory Board in the European H2020 project "[DocEnhance](#) - Enhancing Skills Intelligence and Integration into Existing PhD Programmes by Providing Transferable Skills Training Through an Open Online Platform". This is aimed at bridging the skills gap between research employment in academia and beyond for the benefit of society. The main goal is to support implementation of transferable and Open Science skills in doctoral training programmes. More information is available [here](#).

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## Eurodoc Took Part in the 69th Bologna Follow-Up Group Meeting (BFUG)



Our new representatives from the [Young Scientists Council](#) of Ukraine (RMU), Iryna Hubeladze and Anastasiia Simakhova, attended the [69th BFUG Meeting](#) held in Kyiv on 4-5 February 2020 on behalf of Eurodoc. New RMU Chairman Olesia Vashchuk also joined the meeting and supported us in the promotion of our proposals. Eurodoc and RMU representatives took part in the discussion about the future of the EHEA and raised issues important for ECRs, such as clear mentioning of doctoral candidates and doctoral training, as well as Open Science and transferable skills. Following the meeting, Eurodoc sent a proposal for the [Rome Communique](#), that outlines decisions taken by the Ministers after such conferences.

## Stakeholder & Partner News

### Social Competences – the new Dimension of the Traditional Mission of Higher Education: Check the Report and Post-Conference Materials



The final event of Development, assessment and validation of social competences in higher education (DASCHE) project was organized on 28 February 2020 by SGH Warsaw School of Economics in Warsaw. The main goal was to discuss a way of strengthening the social dimension of university activities, including students' and doctoral candidates' competences for social engagement. Eurodoc, an associated partner in the project, represented by [Beata Zwierzyńska](#), was invited to a panel "What kind of social competences do we need?" Post-conference materials and publications can be found [here](#).

### UNESCO Launches a Global Consultation to Develop a Standard-Setting Instrument on Open Science

All Open Science stakeholders, including scientists and scientific institutes, science publishers and science policy makers are encouraged to participate and to share their insights through a global survey in



[English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#). In addition, you can help the collection of a broader perspective on Open Science by sharing this survey among your network of ECRs.

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## 20 Ways to Stay Productive When Coronavirus (COVID-19) has Locked You Out of University

KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
STAY  
PRODUCTIVE

COVID-19 has changed the way you can conduct your research whilst social distancing means that many of us are cut off from a supportive network of colleagues. Below, we draw your attention to a recent article providing tips on how to cope with this situation and how to turn working in a home office into success. [TRESS ACADEMIC](#) invites you to check out their new [video](#) discussing 20 great ways to stay productive during the pandemic.

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## Building an Educational Content Recommendation System - Express Your Opinion in This Questionnaire



The Leibniz Information Centre for Science and Technology and University Library (TIB) invites to take part in this survey to help it gather requirements for building an educational content recommendation system based on labour market information. The system will help learners to dynamically identify skills needed for their current or future jobs and obtain relevant learning content for those identified skills. The [survey](#) is anonymous and takes about 10- 15 minutes to complete.

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## Improving Your Career Prospects With EURAXESS



EURAXESS, established by the European Commission and one of the largest networks supporting researcher mobility and career development in Europe, has developed new EURAXESS Career Development tools for all researchers who are actively engaging themselves in their own personal and professional development and continuously aiming to advance in their Research Career. All of their services and tools are free of charge and available [online](#).

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## 4 Skills for Researchers of the Future



Are you an ECR looking to develop your career? Listen to the latest 15-minute podcast episode with [Vitae](#) to discover 4 key skills for researchers of the future. [Margaux Kersschot](#),

Eurodoc former president, who participated in the podcast said "Digital skills will definitely be useful but also everything related to Open Science, Open Access... these kinds of things". She advised how researchers could make a difference to policy by becoming a member of their institutional, national or European association like Eurodoc, and contribute to policy at the European level. More info [here](#).

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## Open Calls

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### Job Opportunities for Research Fellows at the European Commission



Do you want EU policies and laws to be informed by the best scientific evidence available? Do you have a strong background in research? Are you ready to apply your scientific expertise to support EU policies? Take the opportunity and apply for Research Fellow temporary positions at the European Commission's science and knowledge service, the Joint Research Centre. Check out the [conditions](#) and apply now.

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### Vacancy: PhD position on Open Science (Lyon University)



Lyon University, is currently looking for a PhD candidate to work on a project focusing on Open Science. The project is embedded within a larger framework of projects on scientific culture and changes that foster more reliable and better science. The project would be financed for 36 months and is based in Lyon, France. Candidates do not need to speak French. The deadline for application is 9 April 2020 and more information is available [here](#).

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## Upcoming Events

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#### ESOF2020 Trieste

#### Postponed

02-06 September

2020

Trieste, Italy

EuroScience Open Forum (ESOF 2020) is the biggest event where the scientific community meets to reflect on its practices and role in society. It was originally planned to take place 5-9 July 2020 in Trieste (Italy) but has been postponed to 2-6 September as

a consequence of the safety measures undertaken in Italy and around the world in response to the coronavirus pandemic. More info can be found [here](#).

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