



Eurodoc News

Eurodoc Conference 2020 - Report



This year's Eurodoc [Conference "Open Up Your Science"](#) was held online on 22-23 July 2020. During the conference, early career researcher (ECR)s discussed [Open Science](#) with policymakers, stakeholders and partners, including topics on [Open Access](#), Open Data, [managing research data](#), research networking and the [evaluation system](#).

Eurodoc Elects New Board in First Ever Online AGM



On 24-25 July 2020, Eurodoc members gathered for the first ever online Eurodoc Annual General Meeting (AGM), and elected the new administrative board for 2020-2021. Giulia Malaguarnera (ADI, Italy) was elected as Eurodoc President Beata Zwierzyńska (KRD, Poland) as Vice-President, Giuseppe Montalbano (ADI, Italy) as Treasurer and Agnieszka Żyra (KRD, Poland) as Secretary. Oleksandr Berezko (RMU, Ukraine), Mathew Tata (SNPA, Sweden) and Katarzyna Turoń (KRD, Poland) have been elected as General Board Members. The full press release is available [here](#).

Eurodoc Survey on Publishing in Open Science



Calling all researchers! Please complete this short survey about Open Science, so that we can truly understand your awareness, perception and experience of using Open Science practices and tools. Your feedback will help inform the delivery of the new Open Research Europe publishing platform, which aims to publish research funded by Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe in a rapid, transparent and reproducible manner. To complete the survey, click [here](#).

The Aftermath of the Pandemic for Early Career Researchers in Europe



After the COVID-19 pandemic, what kind of future lies ahead for ECRs? Eurodoc has collected the contributions of its members, 28 National Associations representing ECRs across Europe, and has identified 10 major concerns that reflect the many issues they are struggling with. Check them and learn more [here](#).

Eurodoc for Plan S and Open Access



Eurodoc welcomes the definition of a Rights Retention Strategy by cOAlition S, a necessary addition to Plan S, which will secure researchers' rights and fight against unreasonable embargo periods in another step forward for Open Access. Read more about it [here](#).

Webinar on Open Science and the Reward System



On 2 July 2020, our Open Science Ambassador Véronique De Herde was invited to give a talk during a webinar on '[Open Science and the Reward System: How Can They be Aligned?](#)'. Other panelists included Moniek Tromp (Young Academy of Europe), Matthew DiFranco (MSCA-IF Open Science expert), and Andrew Plume (Elsevier). The webinar provided a deeper understanding of Open Science, possible changes to research evaluation, and the necessity of a different reward system that includes Open Science activities.

Members News

PhD Society in Belgium Becomes a Member of Eurodoc



PhD Society is an association of – and for ECRs at KU Leuven and beyond. The association is dedicated to helping junior researchers extend their international network beyond their circle of friends and the borders of their respective research unit. It provides various opportunities to junior academics to further develop their professional and social skills in a dynamic and international environment complementary to their academic endeavors. More information on PhD Society is available [here](#).

Stakeholder & Partner News

Introducing Open Research Europe



Eurodoc, as one of the project partners, is proudly introducing Open Research Europe, a scholarly publishing platform providing an open access peer reviewed publishing option for Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe beneficiaries at no cost. Open Research Europe represents the European Commission's vision to drive innovation and economic growth by removing barriers to scientific discovery, and will launch in early 2021. Click [here](#) for further information.

COVID-19 Impact Survey



The Young Academy of Europe would like to better understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the research and careers of young researchers. The information provided in the survey will also help us evaluate any potential differences between the impact of the pandemic on researchers at various career stages. Fill in the survey [here](#).

Impact of the Pandemic on Elections Around the World - from Safety Concerns to Political Crises



The coronavirus has taken a heavy toll on electoral processes around the world, with many elections being postponed because of emergency situations. Ideally, postponing elections should involve a sensible balancing act between the democratic imperative and national constitutions, and public health requirements that restrict large gatherings and minimise close contact between people. While some countries have proceeded

with elections, most countries have postponed them. Check the European Parliament briefing about elections around the world [here](#).

#EUInvestInKnowledge - *Seize our Common Future* Campaign



More than ever, the global COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the true value of excellent research, innovation and education. In the campaign “Seize our common future”, 15 associations representing more than 800 universities have called for an ambitious long-term EU budget for all three themes to boost efforts to solve future challenges. These associations unite and call on European leaders to step up investment in these areas, both in the Multiannual Financial Framework from 2021-2027 and in Next Generation EU, and to commit sufficient resources to common ambitions. Read the statement [here](#).

Science Europe - Position Statement and Recommendations on Research Assessment Processes



With limited funding and research positions available, there is increasing pressure on research organisations to put processes in place that ensure assessments of research quality are effective, efficient, and fair. Science Europe has created a set of policy recommendations to help research organisations review and improve their assessment processes for career progression and funding allocation. They also promote knowledge sharing between organisations to enrich and strengthen national and international research systems. The full statement is available [here](#).

Join European Open Science Cloud Consultations



Help shape the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) by participating in an open consultation on the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda that will develop the future funding programmes related to Open Science in Horizon Europe. The deadline is 31 August 2020 and more information is available [here](#).

Open Calls

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Open 2020 Call for Individual Fellowships



Researchers of any nationality and at any stage of their career can apply to implement their research projects in any scientific field, in what will be the final call under Horizon 2020. It is open to researchers who have a doctoral degree or at least four years' full-time research experience by the time of the call deadline on 9 September 2020. Find out more [here](#).

Upcoming Online Events

European Research and Innovation Days 2020!

22-24.08.2020

online

Join the European Research and Innovation Days 2020 – the European Commission's annual flagship event, bringing together policymakers, researchers, entrepreneurs and citizens to debate and shape the future of research and innovation in Europe and beyond. Learn more about the virtual event [here](#) and check the agenda [here](#).

ESOF 2020

02-06.09.2020

Trieste, Italy

Take part in the EuroScience Open Forum (ESOF) 2020. ESOF is a biennial, pan-European, general science conference dedicated to scientific research and innovation. ESOF brings together over 4,500 leading thinkers, innovators, policy makers, journalists and educators from more than 90 countries, to discuss current and future breakthroughs in contemporary science. Registration is open and available [here](#).



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