

Amsterdam Agenda Closing Session



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The World Conferences on Research Integrity seek to promote discussion and to coordinate efforts to promote integrity in research on a global scale. Over the years, our participants have reported on their varied efforts to understand the nature of the problems we are addressing. They have also suggested many ways to reduce misbehavior and promote best practice in research, with the ultimate goal of assuring that research is undertaken in accordance with the four principles of the Singapore Statement:

- Honesty in all aspects of research
- Accountability in the conduct of research
- Professional courtesy and fairness in working with others
- Good stewardship of research on behalf of others



As we reflect on the work of past conferences, we feel that it is time to place greater emphasis on the assessment of our own and other efforts to promote integrity in research. Toward that end we propose the following agenda:

1. To promote greater transparency and accountability in research on research integrity, the World Conferences on Research Integrity will explore ways to establish a “Research on Research Integrity Registry” (RRIR). The RRIR will enable researchers to share six key elements of their research on research integrity:

- a) Problem.** *The particular problem or problems they are addressing, such as selective reporting, poor mentoring or inadequate quality assurance.*
- b) Importance.** *An estimation of the relative impact of the problem on the reliability of research, trust in the research enterprise, the responsible use of research funds and other relevant factors.*
- c) Intervention.** *The specific way or ways they plan to address the identified problem(s), such as through training, outcomes assessment, quality checks, or reinforcements that encourage responsible conduct.*



- d) **Hypothesis or Anticipated Outcomes.** The changes expected as a result of the intervention.*
- e) **Assessment.** How they plan to test the hypothesis or assess whether the outcomes have been achieved.*
- f) **Data sharing.** How they plan to share their data if not made available through RRIR.*



2. To raise awareness of the importance of research on research integrity, the World Conference will support efforts by colleagues and related organizations to encourage the support of research on research integrity and its use in policy making.

3. To assess our own efforts to improve assessment, we will report on the response to RRIR at the 6th World Conference on Research Integrity with the goal of organizing and prioritizing research on research integrity. We will also encourage others to report on efforts to use RRIR and other resources to do systematic reviews of key interventions

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