



Eurodoc News

Eurodoc Contribution to ISE's Position Paper on Precarity of Academic Careers



Eurodoc, as a member organization of the [Initiative for Science in Europe \(ISE\)](#), contributed to [the position paper on "Precarity of Academic Careers"](#), published on 12 January 2021. In the paper, ISE presents its proposal on funding of academic careers, research assessment practices, and research grant evaluation. We would like to thank Mathew Tata and Eva Hnatkova for representing Eurodoc in ISE's 'Researchers' Careers' task force.

The Next Generation of EU Researchers Likely to be Impacted by COVID-19 and Budget Cuts



Eurodoc President Giulia Malaguarnera talked about the critical impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on ECRs in the last issue of IRRADIUM, [the Marie Curie Alumni Association](#)'s Magazine. Giulia highlighted the precarious conditions early-career researchers (ECRs) face and the severe impact on mental health and career progression from the pandemic and funding cuts. The article features interviews with representatives from key stakeholders. Find the IRRADIUM magazine [here](#) and read the interview [here](#).

Webinar Available Online: “Data Management Expert Guide: Why and How to Use It?”



Last December, Eurodoc Open Science Ambassador Sothearath Seang was invited to speak at the webinar on the [Data Management Expert Guide \(DMEG\)](#), organised by [The Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives \(CESSDA\)](#). The webinar recording is now available online. DMEG was published by CESSDA to help researchers make their data “Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable” ([FAIR](#)). Sothearath presented the perspective of ECRs as potential users of the guide. Watch the webinar [here](#).

Members News

The PhD Network Netherlands (PNN) Survey Among PhD Candidates in the Netherlands



[PNN](#) surveyed Dutch PhDs in 2020, seeking insight into their employment conditions and wellbeing. The report from the survey is now available and reveals areas that require immediate action. Nearly half of respondents are at risk of developing mental health problems and around 18% report harassment in some form. Find the full report on the [PNN website](#) and a summary with urgent findings [here](#).

Slovenian National Association Organises Third Consecutive Annual Open Science Event



The [Young Academy of Slovenia](#) (MA) held its third [annual Open Science event](#), with a focus on PlanS, reproducibility and research assessment tools. The four-part seminar series included a discussion with Gareth O'Neill, former president of Eurodoc, Open Science Consultant at Technopolis Group and [Plan S](#) Ambassador at [cOAlition S](#). Find the webinar recordings [here](#) and the event summary [here](#).

Stakeholder & Partner News

Universities Without Walls – A vision for 2030



The [European University Association](#) (EUA) published a position paper outlining its vision for more resilient, open, and effective universities that are engaged in creating a sustainable future in Europe. Aligned with their support for the development of the European Education Area, EUA aims to provide a framework for reshaping institutional strategies. Find the paper [here](#).

PRIDE Network Webinar on Research Careers, Well-being and Mental Health



In early February, [PRIDE Network](#) held a webinar on research careers and well-being, with particular emphasis on the working conditions of ECRs that pose a challenge to their mental health. Listen to the summary of the webinar in a podcast format [here](#).

Open Calls

Apply for the PASIFIC Postdoctoral Fellowship

Programme



This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No 947639.
Maria Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Deadline: 30 June 2021, 12:00 CEST.

Already since March 15th, 2021 you can apply for the PASIFIC Programme! It is open to scholars of any nationality and representing all research disciplines interested, who would like to carry out their research for two years at one of [the Polish Academy of Sciences](#) institutes. The PASIFIC fellows will be offered a monthly allowance of approx. €2,500 net. In addition, they will be granted a research budget of up to €93,000 per project. More information available on the program website [here](#).

Upcoming Events

ISE Webinar Series on Precarity in Academia



Deadline: 28 February 2021

To further discussion following the publication of its [position paper](#) on the precarity of academic careers, the Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE) is running [a three-part webinar series](#). Find more about the series [here](#) and registration links below.

Research assessment practices

4 March 2021

2pm – 3:30pm CET

Register [here](#).

Research grant evaluation

18 March 2021

2pm – 3:30pm CET

Register [here](#).

MCAA Annual Conference



05–07 March 2021

There is still time to register for the annual conference of the [Marie Curie Alumni Association](#) focused on the theme of “Research in Times of Crisis”. Find out more and sign up [here](#).

Reimagine Research Culture Festival



22-26 March 2021

Wellcome invites the research community to rethink our research culture and find new approaches for a more positive and inclusive experience for all. This four-day festival of ideas includes panels, workshops, and pre-recorded talks. Find more info and register [here](#).

Universities 2030: From Vision to Reality



22-23 April 2021 | Online

On the road to a more sustainable and open Europe, EUA's vision assigns a critical role to universities.

Accordingly, the 2021 EUA Annual Conference aims to serve as a discussion forum for the efforts needed to turn its vision for European Universities into reality. Read more about the event and the registration [here](#).



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