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WELCOME ADDRESS

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DR. REDA CIMMPERMAN

TITLE

Responsible Research Barometer 2026: Taking the Pulse of Research Ethics in Lithuania

ABSTRACT

How do researchers perceive research integrity in an era shaped by artificial intelligence, open science, and growing publication pressures? This presentation introduces the findings of the Responsible Research Barometer 2026, a national survey conducted by the Office of the Ombudsperson for Academic Ethics and Procedures of the Republic of Lithuania in spring 2026. The survey gathered responses from 587 researchers, lecturers, doctoral candidates and other members of the academic community, exceeding the sample size required for a 95% confidence level.

The presentation highlights key trends in research and publication ethics, researchers' awareness of ethical guidelines, attitudes towards responsible conduct, and emerging challenges related to AI, authorship, data management and open science. By comparing results from previous Barometer surveys, it offers insights into the evolving culture of research integrity in Lithuania and invites discussion on how trust and responsibility in science can be strengthened in a rapidly changing research environment.

SHORT BIO

She is the Ombudsperson for Academic Ethics and Procedures. She holds a PhD in Biomedical Sciences from Vilnius University, a Master's degree in Management from ISM University of Management and Economics, a Master's degree in Microbiology, and a Bachelor's degree in Biochemistry from Vilnius University.

She has more than 15 years of experience at the Research Council of Lithuania, where she served as Scientific (General) Secretary, Board Member, and Head of the Science Fund Secretariat. She has led European Commission-funded projects in academic ethics, open science, and gender equality in science and innovation, including Pro-Ethics, IANUS, OPUS, and GENDERACTIONplus.

She is actively involved in national and international networks and working groups related to science policy, research integrity, and academic ethics. Her roles have included membership in ENRIO, iRECS, OPUS, CoARA, UNESCO-related activities, European Research Area working groups, and other expert committees and councils.

Her professional interests focus on academic ethics, research integrity, open science, responsible use of artificial intelligence, and the legal framework of the science system. She regularly presents at conferences, hosts workshops on emerging challenges in academic ethics, participates in professional trainings, and has published more than 10 scientific articles.

DR. YORAN BELDENGRÜN

TITLE

Can Research Security Help Science Navigate a Changing Geopolitical Landscape?

ABSTRACT

Science has long sought political and economic attention: for recognition, investment, infrastructure, talent, and influence in addressing societal challenges. Today, however, science is no longer only asking to be noticed by political and economic systems; it is increasingly being treated as a political and economic instrument in its own right. Research capabilities, data, infrastructure, talent flows, international partnerships, and emerging technologies have become central to national security, economic competitiveness, technological sovereignty, and geopolitical positioning.

This shift has driven the rising importance of research security over the past decade. Protecting research from foreign interference, unwanted knowledge transfer, misuse, and coercion is not only about safeguarding national or economic interests; it is also about protecting research integrity, trust in science, and the reputation of the scientific enterprise. At the same time, research security creates new responsibilities and tensions for academic freedom, institutional autonomy, open science, and international collaboration.

This keynote will reflect on the work of the OECD Global Science Forum Expert Group on Research Security and Integrity, as well as broader OECD analysis. It will argue that research security is not a choice between open and closed science, but a form of governance at the crossroads of stakeholders, policy priorities, and judgments about what is sensitive or critical. The challenge for OECD countries is to develop proportionate, transparent, and values-based approaches that keep research both trustworthy and connected.

SHORT BIO

Yoran Beldengrün is a Policy Analyst within the OECD Global Science Forum, currently focusing on research security, research integrity and the environmental impact of research.

He has international working experience in science policy and diplomacy within a consulting company focusing on higher education and research strategy (SIRIS Academic, Barcelona), an international organization (UNESCO), an embassy (Swiss Embassy in Israel), a government agency (swissnex Boston) and an environmental peacebuilding NGO (EcoPeace Middle East). During his time as researcher (PhD in Nanomedicine, IQAC-CSIC/University of Barcelona), he has been engaged in increasing the social and political impact of science, as a grassroots activist (founder of Scientists Dating Forum and organizer of March for Science Barcelona) and as a science popularizer (Famelab, Science Slams, Youtube etc.).

DR. URŠA OPARA KRAŠOVEC

TITLE

Open to Speak up, Safe to Be Heard: No Line to Draw

ABSTRACT

Research ecosystem depends on openness and integrity, and the freedom to question established practices. Yet individuals who speak up about misconduct, breaches of research integrity or abuse often face retaliation rather than protection. Such reprisals—ranging from formal sanctions to subtle career and reputational harm—create fear and silence within institutions. This workshop focuses on the risks faced by whistleblowers and on how safer institutional cultures can be built to ensure that speaking up does not come at a personal cost.

The workshop will begin with a presentation of the "ENRIO Handbook on Whistleblower Protection in Research" and, using its checklist, will illustrate examples of how it can be applied in practice by organizations and individuals.

The various steps in a whistleblowing process will be outlined using a specific case study. Participants will be guided in small groups to discuss aspects from the perspective of an institution's leadership and from the perspective of the whistleblower. The importance of confidentiality on the one hand and transparency on the other will be highlighted to illustrate that there is sometimes a thin line between the openness to speak up and the importance of still feeling secure.

Together, we aim to work out whether and which concrete actions are possible or even necessary to navigate this fine line safely.

SHORT BIO

Yoran BeldengrüUrša Opara Krašovec is a chemist and a scientific counsellor at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of electrical engineering. She has been involved in several international research projects related to advanced materials for solar energy systems and has supervised several PhD students. Currently she is also a member of the University data stewards network supporting the implementation of open science practices.

Since 2013 she has been involved in raising the awareness on research integrity challenges. She has been strongly engaged in the initiatives towards the establishment of the National Council on Ethics and Integrity in Science. In 2014 she joined ENRIO as a representative of the national Commission of Women in Science, Slovenia. During the ENRIO transition from a network to legal entity, she served as a vice-chair, she was also a member of ENRIO's working group on whistle-blower protection and coordinator of ENRIO2025 Congress. On national level, she frequently holds research integrity seminars for researchers, librarians and data stewards. She is also an advocate for women's and worker's rights in Academia.

HELGA NOLTE

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SHORT BIO

Helga Nolte is a mediator and coach, a consultant on issues of good scientific practice and research integrity, as well as a trainer and lecturer in these fields. She has worked in various positions in ombuds work since 2005 and, until August 2024, served as head of the Ombuds Office at the University of Hamburg, which she initiated and developed.

Helga Nolte was actively involved in the development and implementation of the *Curriculum for Courses on Good Scientific Practice*. Following its publication in 2009, she co-founded the Scientific Integrity team together with colleagues and has since developed and updated teaching and training concepts on good scientific practice, research integrity, ombuds work, and related topics.

Since 2010, she has delivered seminars, lectures, and training courses across Germany and other European countries based on this curriculum. Since 2011, she has also been an active member of the European Network of Research Integrity Offices (ENRIO) and served as a member of its Board from 2020 to 2022.

DR. NATHALIE VOARINO

TITLE

Research Security and Research Integrity: Towards a Shared European Understanding

ABSTRACT

The growing focus on research security (RS) across Europe calls for a clearer articulation of its relationship with research integrity (RI). This workshop will bring together perspectives from national research integrity offices and policy actors to explore overlaps, tensions, and complementarities between the two domains. Participants will contribute to identifying common definitions, challenges, and good practices, supporting the development of a more coherent European approach to the intersections of RI and RS.

SHORT BIO

Nathalie Voarino is a Public Policy Project Manager at the French Office for Research Integrity (OFIS). She is responsible for conducting surveys to better understand the implementation of France's research integrity policy and works on issues related to foreign interference in research, as well as the relationship between research security and research integrity. Nathalie earned a PhD in Bioethics in 2020 and completed a postdoctoral fellowship in Public Law. Her research focuses on the ethics of emerging technologies, particularly artificial intelligence. She previously served as a Scientific Integrity Advisor at the Fonds de recherche du Québec.

TOM LINDEMANN

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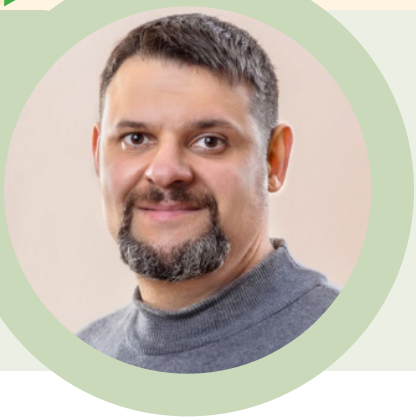
SHORT BIO

Tom Lindemann is the Secretary-General of the Luxembourg Agency for Research Integrity (LARI). He is responsible for overseeing the agency's support services and represents LARI in national, European, and international networks. He also serves as an advisor to the National Commission for Research Integrity, which investigates cases of alleged research misconduct within LARI member organizations. Before joining LARI in 2023, Tom worked as a Research Project Manager and Co-Team Leader at the European Network of Research Ethics Committees (EUREC), where he contributed to several EU-funded projects on research ethics, research integrity, and responsible research and innovation.

DR. ARTEM ARTYUKHOV



TITLE

Open Opportunities in Research Results Dissemination: Real Achievements or Flying Sofa?

ABSTRACT

The rapid evolution of scholarly communication has opened unprecedented doors for research dissemination, yet it has also given rise to sophisticated predatory formats, most notably „flying sofa" conferences. Unlike traditional predatory events, these pseudo-conferences offer the convenience of participation from one's „sofa" but provide zero substantive scholarly exchange, focusing instead on the mass commercialization of abstracts to satisfy institutional metrics. This workshop explores the structural characteristics of such entities, analyzing how pressure from KPIs and the „publish or perish" culture inadvertently sustain demand for these deceptive platforms.

Drawing on the multidimensional analytical framework developed in recent research, including the Conference Reality Index (CRI) and the Flying Sofa Risk Index (FSRI), this session provides participants with a practical toolkit for navigating the academic event landscape. Attendees will learn a step-by-step algorithm to identify red flags (such as a lack of peer review, suspicious organizational timelines, and the absence of genuine academic networking), helping them avoid the trap of „flying sofa" providers. The goal is to empower researchers to distinguish between legitimate opportunities for impact and predatory shortcuts that undermine scientific integrity.

SHORT BIO

Artem Artyukhov is an expert in research integrity, quality assurance, and artificial intelligence in education. He is the Head of the Ukrainian Research Integrity Office, the Head of the Ethics Committee at the National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance, and a member of the European Network for Academic Integrity (ENAI) working group on Educational Materials. He has contributed to the development of national integrity frameworks. He previously headed the Subcommittee on Academic Integrity at the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. He coordinated large-scale initiatives, including Erasmus+ projects, Jean Monnet Strand, the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine projects (Strengthening Academic Integrity in Ukraine Project and Academic IQ) and other international projects. His work has been recognized with international distinctions, including the Tricia Bertram Gallant Award for Outstanding Service (International Center for Academic Integrity) and the ENAI Exemplary Activism Award. In recent years, Dr. Artyukhov's research has increasingly focused on the intersection of academic integrity and artificial intelligence. He investigates the ethical, pedagogical, and governance implications of AI in higher education, including AI-assisted learning, immersive educational technologies, and AI-driven behavioral analysis instruments. His publications explore whether AI poses a threat or an opportunity for sustainable higher education systems, addressing issues such as authorship, transparency, quality assurance, and the implementation of SDG 4. Dr. Artyukhov also contributes to shaping evidence-based policies that integrate AI innovation with strong research integrity standards, ensuring responsible and sustainable digital transformation in higher education.

ASSOC. PROF. DR. SIGNE MEŽINSKA

TITLE

As Open as Possible, as Closed as Necessary: What Responsible Open Science Means?

ABSTRACT

This interactive 90-minute workshop will address one of the important questions in contemporary research integrity: how to balance openness in science with ethical responsibilities. Open science is increasingly promoted as the norm, guided by the principle "as open as possible, as closed as necessary", yet its practical implementation remains challenging. Researchers must navigate competing demands such as transparency, reproducibility, data protection, intellectual property, and the rights of research participants. In addition, increasing attention to research security highlights risks related to misuse and dual-use applications, especially in international and collaborative research contexts.

Participants will be introduced to the rationale for openness and the ethical tensions embedded in responsible data sharing, decision-making frameworks and the continuum of openness, from fully open to restricted or closed access. The second part of the workshop will focus on group-based case analysis. The workshop will build on the case studies addressing ethical dilemmas in open science, such as sharing sensitive data, risks of openness, conflicts between openness and data protection, as well as research security issues in the context of open science.

SHORT BIO

Assoc. Prof. Signe Mežinska (https://orcid.org/0000-0002-3190-100X) is a bioethicist and sociologist by training. She holds MSc in Bioethics (Union Graduate College, US) and Dr.sc.soc. in Sociology of Health and Illness (Riga Stradins University, Latvia). Her scientific interests include biomedical research ethics, ethics of biobanking and biotechnologies, ethics in psychiatry, reproductive ethics and sociology of health and illness. She has been teaching Medical Ethics, Bioethics and Sociology of Health and Illness for more than 25 years and has served as research ethics trainer in several international training programs. Signe has been a member of UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (2016-2024, Vice-Chair 2018-2021), currently is a member of Council of Europe CDBIO and BBMRI-ERIC ELSI network, as well as research ethics expert for European Commission and several national bodies and research ethics committees in Latvia. She has been a grant holder and WP lead in several projects funded by the Latvian Council of Science and European Commission. Currently she serves as a WP lead in the Horizon Europe projects BEYOND, FAMILY and MOMENTUM, as well as has been/is involved as a researcher and expert in Horizon Europe projects TRUSTparency, ROSiE, VIRT2UE, B1MG, EDITH and several COST actions.

PROF. DR. ANA MARUŠIĆ

TITLE

Research Security: Learning from Research Ethics and Integrity

ABSTRACT

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and Research Performing Organisations (RPOs) face growing research security challenges that may affect national security, ethical research conduct, and the protection of fundamental rights. Addressing these risks requires policies that safeguard research while preserving the principles of open science, international cooperation, academic freedom, institutional autonomy, and competitiveness. I will present the work of the CHANGER project, which examines key research security challenges and develops targeted policy recommendations. Drawing on established practices in research ethics and integrity, the project proposes balanced approaches to strengthen research security governance and support responsible international collaboration in an increasingly complex global environment.

SHORT BIO

Ana Marušić, MD, PhD (https://orcid.org/0000-0001-6272-0917) is Professor of Anatomy and Chair, Department of Research in Biomedicine and Health, University of Split School of Medicine, Croatia. Her research interests include evidence-based medicine and meta-research. She has been participating in EU projects related to medicine, research integrity, ethics and reproducibility. She was the president of several editorial organizations and currently serves on the Board of Trustees and Council of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), and as the president of The Embassy Foundation.

DR. MAURA HINEY

TITLE

It's Not Just a Nice Idea! Why Implementing Research Integrity Policies Matters for Everyone

ABSTRACT

There is a great deal of talk about research integrity – what it is, what it means, how it can be codified, and, most importantly, how and why it should be a core value for researchers and the research system. You would be forgiven for thinking there is an element of 'hype' around these conversations, and that the academic system is doing a good job of regulating itself through peer review, mentorship of the next generation, and a bit of healthy competition to weed out weak researchers in the herd. That would be nice to believe if it weren't so patently untrue. We have been experiencing a crisis of confidence, credibility, and trust in the research system for some time, now made worse by the advent of AI use (and abuse) in research, threats to academic freedom and agency from political and commercial forces, and a system that no longer measures what it values. This talk will examine the broad issues undermining trust and truth in research, why upholding and implementing research integrity principles and good research practices matter more than ever, and how we, as a community, can ensure that we protect the research record and the credibility of research for ourselves, our colleagues, and the next generation of researchers.

SHORT BIO

Maura is an Adjunct Professor of Research Integrity at UCD, helped establish the Irish National Research Integrity Forum and contributed to Irish RI policies (2019, 2024, 2022). She has worked with ESF, Science Europe, and ALLEA to foster RI. Maura chairs the ALLEA Research Ethics and Integrity Council and led revisions of the European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity in 2017 and 2023, now a key document in EU grants, curricula, and policies across Europe. She is Treasurer of the World Conferences on RI Foundation and advises EU-funded RI and ethics projects. In 2025, she was elected to the Royal Irish Academy for her contributions to RI policy.

Dr Maura Hiney is Adjunct Professor of Research Integrity at University College Dublin, where she focuses on research integrity and culture. Maura is a founding member of the Irish National Research Integrity Forum and was a key contributor to the first National Policy on Ensuring Integrity in Irish Research (updated in 2019 and 2024) and the 2022 Guidelines on Ensuring Integrity in Collaborative Research. Internationally, she has collaborated on policy development with the European Science Foundation, Science Europe and All European Academies (ALLEA). Maura chairs the ALLEA Research Ethics and Integrity Council where she led the development of the ALLEA European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity (revised in 2023), now a foundational document for many RI policies, EU Grant Agreements, and RI curricula. She is Treasurer of the World Conferences on RI Foundation and a member of the Embassy of Good Science Foundation. Additionally, she sits on various Policy and Stakeholder Advisory Boards for EU-funded research ethics and integrity projects (iRECS, TIER2, BEYOND, VERITY, RE4GREEN, AIOLIAI, and TRUSTParency). In 2025, she was elected to membership of the Royal Irish Academy in recognition of her contributions to research integrity policy.

DR. RALUCA-OANA ANDONE

TITLE

Considerations Regarding Open Science and Paper Mills – CNECSDTI Case Example, Decision No. 47/2024

ABSTRACT

Romanian National Council for Ethics of Scientific Research, Technological Development and Innovation (CNECSDTI) analyzed in Decision no. 47/2024 a severe case of improper authorship (guest authorship) found in 27 papers and 2 papers of two university professors, that were listed as co-authors, without having a significant scientific contribution.

The stated activities – text correction, supervision, project administration, material provision, funding acquisition – did not meet authorship criteria according to the journals' Editorial Policies. Such contributions justified only acknowledgment, not authorship. Sanctions for the proffesors were ruled by CNECSDTI and recommendations were issued for publishing houses MDPI (Molecules, IJMS, Polymers, Atmosphere), Frontiers, Springer, Springer Nature, Elsevier, ACS.

CNECSDTI noted a growing trend where the expansion of Open Science is exploited by paper mills, leading to an artificial inflation of publications, often of low quality and with doubtful authorship contributions.

SHORT BIO

Dr. Raluca-Oana Andone has been the Vice President of Romanian National Council for Ethics of Scientific Research, Technological Development and Innovation (CNECSDTI) since 2023 and a member of CNECSDTI since 2020. She has participated to analysing over 300 cases related to the violation of the rules of good conduct in the RDI activity, to issuing over 50 decisions establishing the guilt or innocence of the person or persons concerned and the sanctions to be applied and to elaborating recommendations in relation to ethical issues raised in the RDI activity. She monitored the activity of the ethics commissions of the research organizations in the national RDI system. She has participated to the updating of the national research ethics legislation in 2024 and has coordinated the elaboration of the national Code of Ethics and the codes of ethics in the fields of research.

She also has been since 2021 a member and President of the Ethics Commission of the Petru Poni Macromolecular Chemistry Institute of the Romanian Academy, where she also has been a senior legal adviser since 2002, coordinating the Legal Department, and has been involved in over 20 EU, structural funds and national funds research projects. Since 2023 she has been lecturing Research Ethics for PhD students of Doctoral School of Romanian Academy.

She has bachelor, master and doctor degree in Law. She has also been a university lecturer for 15 years, teaching Civil and Family Law at Law Faculty of Petre Andrei University of Iasi.

PROF. DR. STAVROULA TSINOREMA

TITLE

"As open as possible, as closed as necessary": Harmonising openness with research ethics and integrity

ABSTRACT

The paper discusses the normative strength and scope of openness in science, and draws implications regarding guiding norms and policies. Scientific practice is by its nature open and its practices and findings should be accessible and assessable. However, openness is neither unrestricted nor unqualified. The principles of research ethics and integrity are particularly relevant in concretising criteria for harmonising *prima facie* tensions between scientific openness and security. Different levels of openness will be identified and a taxonomy of diverse operating norms, which demarcate its legitimacy, will be crafted. Distinctions need to be made between epistemic norms, ethical norms (including FAIR principles), generic standards (such as accessibility, intelligibility), as well as narrower or system norms (such as audibility, transparency). The presentation will conclude with a brief discussion of a practical case from Greek experience.

SHORT BIO

Stavroula Tsinorema is Professor of Philosophy and Bioethics in the Philosophy Department of the University of Crete, founding Director of the Interinstitutional Postgraduate Programme "Bioethics" and Director of the Centre for Bioethics of the above University. She is a member the Hellenic National Commission for Bioethics and Technoethics and member of the Hellenic National Committee for the Welfare of Animals Used for Scientific Purposes. She is also the National Contact Person for ERA Action #18 on Research Ethics and Integrity of the European Commission. She chairs the Research Ethics Committee of Hellenic Pasteur Institute.

She holds a First Class Honours Degree in Philosophy from the University of Athens, followed by M.A. in Moral and Social Philosophy and Ph.D. in Moral Philosophy from the University of Exeter. Her research publications focus on moral and social philosophy, bioethics, research ethics, ethics of science and technology, environmental ethics, epistemology of value-concepts, Kant's philosophy, Ludwig Wittgenstein.

She has held roles in many national and international ethics bodies, including as member of the European Commission's "Expert Group to advise on specific ethical issues raised by driverless mobility", which issued the «*Independent Expert Report on the Ethics of Connected and Automated Vehicles*, 2020».

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