RI Dialogue and Communication in Ireland

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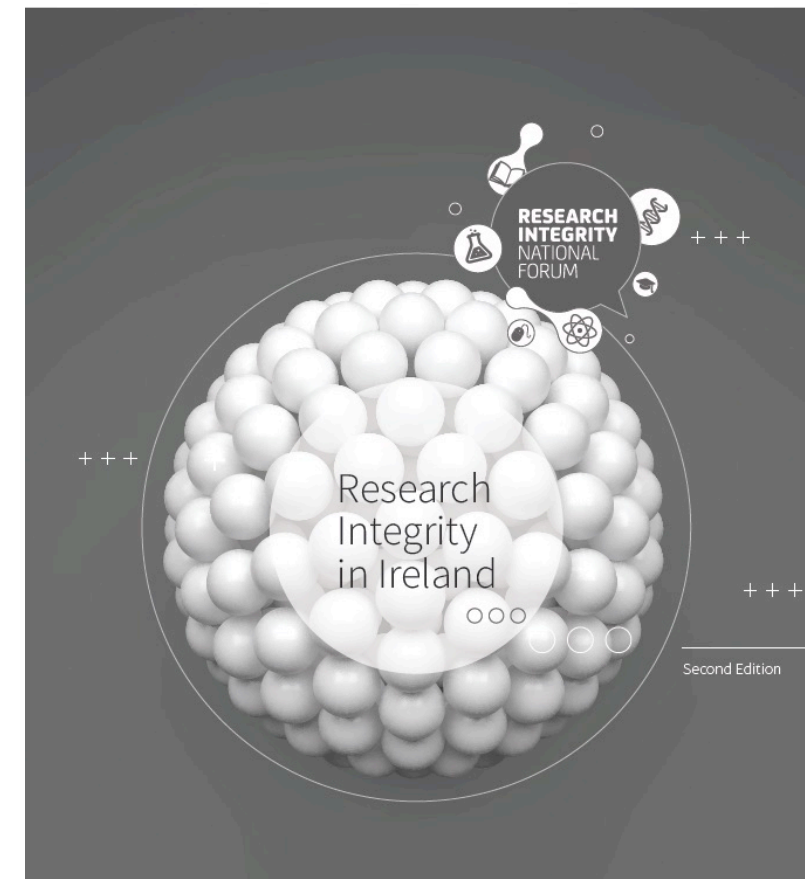Deputy Chair, National RI Forum

Research Integrity National Forum

Established June 2015

- Chaired by Professor Anita Maguire, University College Cork

- Deputy Chair Dr Jennifer Brennan, Technological Higher Education Association

- Funders, research performers and stakeholder organisations

- Members participate in international RI organisations e.g., Dr Maura Hiney Vice-chair ENRIO

- Tasked with oversight of research integrity Actions in national R&I strategy: reports annually to strategy implementation group

- Research Integrity training prioritised

Policy Statement on Ensuring Research Integrity in Ireland

RESEARCH INTEGRITY NATIONAL FORUM

Research Integrity in Ireland

Second Edition

https://www.iua.ie/for-researchers/research-integrity/

Responsibilities & Outputs

1. Supporting the implementation of research integrity policies and processes in a harmonised manner across the research performers
   - E.g. Guidelines for misconduct investigations

2. Supporting national research funders in implementing harmonised research integrity statements in grant conditions and associated audit processes;
   - Majority of research funders have clauses on RI in their contractual documents, guides for applicants
   - Some have made RI training mandatory for awardees and their teams

Responsibilities & Outputs

3. Agreeing a process and format for the public dissemination of the outcome of research integrity investigations
   - 1st national stats report on misconduct investigations published in Q1 2019
4. Supporting the development and roll-out of research integrity training programmes for staff and students in the research performers;
   - Three-year pilot online RI training programme across all state-funded research performing organisations
   - Blended and in-person training provides opportunity for dialogue with researchers

Responsibilities & Outputs

5. Monitoring international developments and policy in the area of research integrity, and making appropriate recommendations for adjustments in research integrity policy and practice in Ireland;
    - 2nd Edition of National RI Statement (2019), updated in line with EU Code of Conduct for RI

6. Communicating the importance of research integrity to the Irish research community and to the general public.
    - Two awareness-raising and networking events

Awareness-Raising

- The Forum hosted its inaugural national event on 3rd February 2017

- Fully booked (130 attendees)

- Keynote Speakers:
  - Prof. Nick Steneck, University of Michigan
  - James Parry, UK Research Integrity Office

- Event on RI and Open Research took place on 8th March 2019

http://www.iua.ie/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/National-Forum-on-Research-Integrity-Seminar-Report-Feb-2017-web-version.pdf

Thank You!

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