



# SCIENCE EUROPE OPEN SCIENCE CONFERENCE

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**WELCOME**

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# WELCOME MESSAGE

- Welcome to the Science Europe Conference on Open Science, joined by participants and expert speakers from across Europe and beyond

## About Science Europe

- Representative organisation of public research funding and performing organisations in Europe
- Open Science a cross-cutting, strategic priority for our organisation and members. Direction paper to be presented and published tomorrow

# OPEN SCIENCE - BACKGROUND DEVELOPMENTS LEADING TO THE FIRST SCIENCE EUROPE OS CONFERENCE

- It is an important time for Open Science.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the value of open and collaborative research, and since the publication of the final report of the Open Science Policy Platform in 2020, many Open Science policies have been developed and put into place.
- The 2021 'UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science' invited world regions to discuss shared values, principles, and standards.
- In February 2022 the Open Science European Conference, organised under the French Presidency of the Council of the European Union, took stock of the links between valuing a diversity of research outputs, broadening research assessment systems, incentives to reward quality and variety of research, and incentivising cross-disciplinarity and citizen science. The proceedings were just recently published.
- This 'Coalition on Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA)' will be established before the end of 2022 by organisations that have signed the Agreement. At a high level session of the EU R&I Days, the collection of signatures will be officially opened through the launch of the CoARA website.

# INTRODUCTION TO THE FIRST SCIENCE EUROPE OPEN SCIENCE CONFERENCE

- Aims to bring clarity to an increasingly diverse and sprawling number of interlinked initiatives within the transition to Open Science
- Two questions to guide us through the programme, especially during the plenary sessions wherein we will focus on the overall direction and strategic issues of the transition to Open Science
  - Is Open Science ready to become to norm in research?
  - How do we ensure this becomes an equitable transition?
- Main areas covered in this programme, further explored during the breakout sessions that focus on practical, action-oriented discussions:
  - Open Science and society, including equity
  - Open access to all types of research outputs
  - Evolving research assessment and evaluation practices
  - Access to and use of open research infrastructures
  - Open Science policies