HONG KONG
2 - 5 JUNE 2019
6th WORLD CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH INTEGRITY

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Co-organised by the University of Hong Kong and RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia
About the Conference

The World Conference on Research Integrity (WCRI) is the largest and most significant international conference in this field. Five world conferences have been held since 2007, the most recent of which was in Amsterdam in 2017 and attracted almost 900 participants from 52 countries. A solid foundation in the discussion and promotion of research integrity has been established by these previous world conferences, supported with the work of the recently established World Conference on Research Integrity Foundation. The Co-Chairs of the 6th WCRI are looking forward to welcoming researchers, teachers, funding agencies, government officials, journal editors, senior administrators, and research postgraduate students to attend the conference on June 2-5, 2019 in Hong Kong.

Conference Theme

There is great change in the way that research is being conducted. International collaborations are now arguably the norm, ‘open’ research is driving particular behaviors and is more frequently an expectation from funders of research, and a generation of new researchers who grew up with the power of the internet and big data is entering the research workforce. As a result, the way we influence or foster research cultures towards responsible conduct and research integrity is also changing.

There has also never been more research into research integrity and the responsible conduct of research. Applying knowledge and research findings from other fields is providing new insights into the motivations behind research misconduct, the nature of bias and the apparent reproducibility of research findings, and how we might be able to drive more responsible research through mechanisms like education and training, or clear and effective policy.

The 6th WCRI will explore the application of these new research findings to develop new and better solutions to address New Challenges for Research Integrity. This will include discussion on open data, methods, access and other moves towards transparency in research; replication, reproducibility and waste; managing research misconduct; education on responsible conduct of research; cultural differences; and integrity in innovation and impact.

Programme Structure

The conference will feature a series of keynote speakers and be organized around plenary, concurrent/focus track sessions and symposia exploring the conference themes and related topics. Participants will have ample opportunities for interaction during the conference, pre-conference activities, satellite symposia and interactive poster sessions. There will also be exhibitor space and time for informal chat during breaks and social events.

Conference Co-Chairs

Mai Har Sham, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China
Paul Taylor, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Melbourne, Australia
Lex Bouter, VU University Medical Center and Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Sponsor Options

To stage the 6th WCRI and make it affordable for professionals from a wide range of countries and organizations, generous sponsorship is essential.

The 6th WCRI is welcoming sponsor contributions from organizations that have a demonstrated interest in promoting research integrity and whose values are consistent with the values of the conference. The conference organizers reserve the right to make decisions about appropriate sponsors and to refuse sponsorship from organizations whose values do not match those behind the conference and its theme.

While sponsors will not have any influence on the content of the programme, they may suggest and help organize pre-conference activities/workshops, satellite symposia or focus tracks (with the approval and oversight of the Conference Co-Chairs).

The organizers welcome offers of unconditional sponsorship and contributions earmarked for a particular purpose, e.g. travel grants, social programmes, etc. Please refer to the exhibitor brochure for exhibitor options and for possibilities to sponsor specific items.

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(~USD32,050 or more)

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(~USD6,410 or more)

*Note: Exchange rate USD1=HK$7.8*
Venue

The 6th WCRI will be held at the Grand Hall, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, Centennial Campus of the University of Hong Kong, which can accommodate up to 928 participants. There are plenty of classrooms with different seating capacities near the Grand Hall for concurrent/focus track sessions and satellite symposia. The foyer outside the Grand Hall can be used for exhibition booths, posters, coffee breaks and the welcome reception. The conference is an optimal environment for informal interaction with delegates. We expect to welcome 500 to 700 participants.

Important Dates

May 15, 2018
Deadline for proposals for pre-conference events, focus tracks and satellite symposia

Until April 2019
Open to applications of exhibitors

April 30, 2019
Deadline for exhibitor payments

June 1 and June 2, 2019
Exhibitor move-in dates

June 2 – 5, 2019
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June 5, 2019
Exhibitor move-out date

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