RRI-Newsletter No1.



Dear Colleagues,

we take the invitation to our upcoming events (see below) as occasion to update you on the activities of the Research Platform Responsible Research and Innovation in Academic Practice.

In the past months, we discussed responsibility in research with many colleagues in the life sciences in a series of card-based group discussions. Talking about responsibility in a board-game manner was a rewarding experience for us and - as we hear, also for - the participants. We warmly invite you to contact us if you are interested in participating in in organising a group discussion at your research organisation or for teaching purposes!

A few weeks ago, the pilot of a new teaching format for RRI has started. In Science in Society Laboratories (SiS Labs), students from the life sciences, chemistry, physics and the social sciences learn to understand current debates at the interface of science and society. In interdisciplinary teams, they map different positions and reflect the role of scientific knowledge in the debate. Building on this, they practice how to develop recommendations.

We are also happy to announce that the Jubiläumsfonds (ÖNB) funds a new project by Ulrike Felt that investigates issues of research integrity and the Borderlands of Good Scientific Practice.

Finally, in our series of events, we would be happy to welcome you at the following talks and workshops:

10 May, 18-21.00; Aula / AAKH

TALKS: "Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI).

Eine Frage der Verantwortung", Organized in collaboration with WTZ Ost

with Ulrike FELT (University of Vienna), Marie Céline LOIBL (Sparkling Science, BMWF), Philip MACNAGHTEN (Wageningen University, NL), Hanna MAYER (University of Vienna)

11 May, 9-13.00; Alte Kapelle / AAKH

WORKSHOP FOR LIFE SCIENTISTS: "Anticipation – Serendipity – Control" Exploring Opportunities for Responsible Practice under Conditions of Uncertainty

with Ulrike FELT (University of Vienna) and Philip MACNAGHTEN (Wageningen University, NL)

19-20 October; Billrothhaus

WORKSHOP: "Editing genomes with CRISPR: Between Scientific Breakthroughs and Societal Challanges"

Details coming soon!

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