

Open Science Programme

Exciting news for all Open Science enthusiasts! As part of our commitment to fostering Open Science practices, we are now introducing the Open Science Programme. All YUFE universities offer different support infrastructures for academics, to empower them to share knowledge and data, or to include partners from across academia, industry, public authorities and citizen groups in the research process.

This programme is targeted at research support staff and professional service staff that gives Open Science support. You will exchange good practices in Open Science support at YUFE partner universities and hear about latest approaches from experts. It is an opportunity to connect, to learn from other institutions and colleagues, and to grow as a professional.

1. [What is YUFE offering for staff members?](#)

The YUFE Alliance is based on the joint vision of ten young research-intensive universities and two non-academic partners in order to contribute to a more competitive, innovative and united Europe addressing European and global challenges.

The YUFE Alliance strives to support and develop all staff members with regard to their knowledge, skills and talents. YUFE develops a variety of programmes aiming at different staff groups to facilitate:

- building and fostering a professional and personal network within the YUFE Alliance and beyond
- improvement of transferable and practicable skills
- exchange of experience and good practices among YUFE partners
- familiarity with working in a different national context in terms of culture, rules and regulations

2. [What is the Open Science Programme?](#)

This programme will take place over the course of three months and will consist of four online sessions. There are two seats available per university.

Intended learning outcomes:

- Develop a deeper understanding of positive effects of Open Science (e.g. community building, facilitate contact with society).
- Exchange about Open Access practices and FAIR Data principles at the different universities.
- Get to know different approaches of promoting Open Science at a university and generate ideas for your own institution about how to promote Open Science.

- Network with other experts in the field.

3. [Who is it for?](#)

The programme is for research support staff and professional service staff that deals with Open Science and provides support for researchers on: Open Research Results, Open Access Publishing, Open Research Data (FAIR data, Data Management Plans) and Repositories.

4. [The programme content](#)

The *Open Science Programme* will be structured as follows:

Day 1

The current Open Science Situation	
Date & time	20 or 21 November 2024 (<i>exact date tba</i>); 9:00 – 12:00 CET
Duration	3 hours
Format	Online
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome to the programme - Introduction to Open Science Policies - How is OS implemented at different YUFE universities? – What can we learn from each other? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Practice example: Establishing the University of Eastern Finland Open Science Policy (<i>Tomy Rosti, University of Eastern Finland</i>) ○ Practice example: The Open Access Ambassadors at Nicolaus Copernicus University ○ Group discussions

Day 2

Open Access in Practice	
Date & time	One day in the week of 9 – 13 December 2024 (<i>exact date tba</i>); 9:00 – 13:00 CET
Duration	4 hours
Format	Online
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to Plan S and a practice example of its implementation - Non-profit/ non-commercial publishing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Practice example: The Open Journal System at Nicolaus Copernicus University ○ Group discussions - Interactive session: trying out different online tools (Journal finder, Green OA tools, etc.) (<i>Lydia Pryce-Jones, State and University Library Bremen</i>) - Good academic practices and quality assurance for OA & how to avoid predatory publishing

Day 3

Open Data	
Date & time	January 2025 (<i>exact date tba</i>); 9:00 – 12:00 CET
Duration	3 hours
Format	Online
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Open Science in EU research funding applications (<i>Helena Jänntti and Ulla Karhunen, University of Eastern Finland</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Group discussions - FAIR principles – how to apply them in practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Practice example of the University of Rijeka o Round table discussions

Day 4

Insights into Open Science Practices of different disciplines	
Date & time	January 2025 (<i>exact date tba</i>); 9:00 – 11:30 CET
Duration	2,5 hours
Format	Online
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OS in physics & astronomy - OS in linguistics - OS in medicine - OS in the Arts & Humanities - The University of Rijeka Science Outreach Center

5. [How to apply](#)

There are two seats available for each YUFE university. Your own university selects those two participants. Selected participants will be informed about the decision by the end of June 2024. To apply, you have to take **two steps**:

1. Apply for the programme via the **YUFE Virtual Campus**:
<https://virtualcampus.yufe.eu/p/programme/76561193665452175>
 - You need to create a user account in the Virtual Campus, if you do not already have one. Once you have created an account, you can apply. If you face technical problems, please contact Charlotte Simmat (charlotte.simmat@vw.uni-bremen.de).
2. Submit a short **motivation statement** to your university's contact person (see contact list below). The statement should include:
 - Your name, department/ faculty, and position
 - What are your experiences with giving Open Science support?
 - What challenges do you face concerning Open Science support and how could you benefit from this programme?

Application deadline: 16 June 2024

Local contact persons:

- Maastricht University: Aude Frost (aude.frost@maastrichtuniversity.nl)
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Further information

Contact your local YUFE contact person (see list above), if you have any additional questions or need further information.

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