

RRI

INTRODUCTION
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2. RRI – RESPONSIBLE RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

RRI – some definition

"Responsible Research and Innovation is a transparent, interactive process by which societal actors and innovators become mutually responsive to each other with a view to the (ethical) acceptability, sustainability and societal desirability of the innovation process and its marketable products (in order to allow a proper embedding of scientific and technological advances in our society)."

Source: von Schomberg, 2011:9

RRI is an inclusive approach to research and innovation (R&I), to ensure that societal actors work together during the whole research and innovation process. It aims to better align both the process and outcomes of R&I, with the values, needs and expectations of European society.

Source: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/science-and-societ



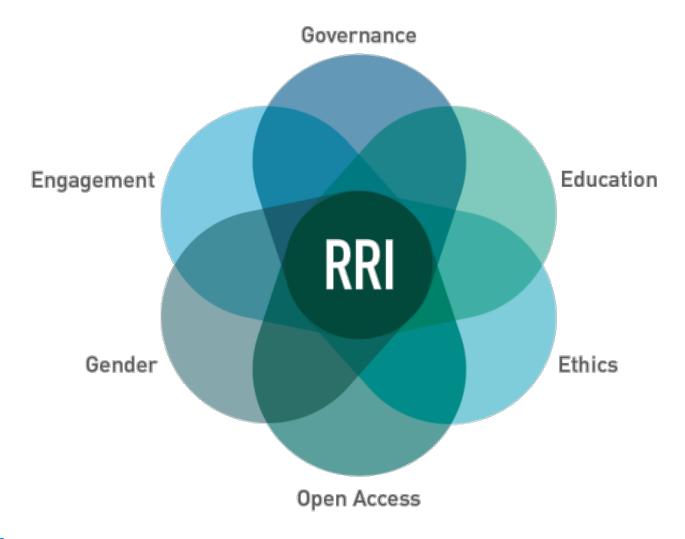
RRI in Practice

In practice, RRI consists of **designing and implementing R&I policy that will**:

- engage society more broadly in its research and innovation activities,
- increase access to scientific results,
- ensure gender equality, in both the research process and research content,
- take into account the ethical dimension, and
- promote formal and informal science education.



RRI DIMENSIONS





1. ETHIC

• Ethics is an integral part of research from the beginning to the end. It is only by getting the ethics right that research excellence can be achieved. Ethical research conduct implies the application of fundamental ethical principles and legislation to scientific research in all possible domains of research – for example biomedical research, nature sciences, social sciences and humanities.



• Focuses on (1) Research integrity: the prevention of unacceptable research and research practices; and (2) Science and society: the ethical acceptability of scientific technological developments

The most common ethical issues include:

→ the involvement of children, patients, vulnerable population:

7 the use of human embryonic stem cells,

→ privacy and data protection issues,





2. OPEN ACCESS

Addresses issues of accessibility to and ownership of scientific information. Free and earlier access to scientific work might improve the quality of scientific research and facilitate fast innovation, constructive collaborations among peers and productive dialogue with civil society.

 European Open Science Agenda





- → Fostering and creating incentives for open science
- → Mainstreaming and further promoting open access policies
- → Developing an open science cloud
- ☐ Embedding open science in society more responsive to societal and economic expectations



3. GENEDR EQUALITY

 The ideal of gender equality in RRI is a society where the representation of feminine and masculine values in research and innovation are balanced.



- → Fostering gender balance in research teams, in order to close the gaps in the participation of women.
- ➢ Ensuring gender balance in decision-making, in order to reach the target of 40% of the under-represented sex in panels and groups and of 50% in advisory groups.



4. Science Education

• Focuses on (1) enhancing the current education process to better equip citizen with the necessary knowledge and skills, so they can participate in research and innovation debates; and (2) increasing the number of researchers (promote scientific related jobs).





• Innovative <u>formal</u> and <u>informal</u> science education teaching and learning is important in order to raise both young boys' and girls' awareness of the different aspects encompassing science and technology in today's society and to address the challenges faced by young people when pursuing careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).



5. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

 Public engagement in Responsible Research and Innovation is about co-creating the future with citizens and civil society organisations, and also bringing on board the widest possible diversity of actors that would not normally interact with each other, on matters of science and technology.





The process of **R&I** is collaborative and multi-actor:

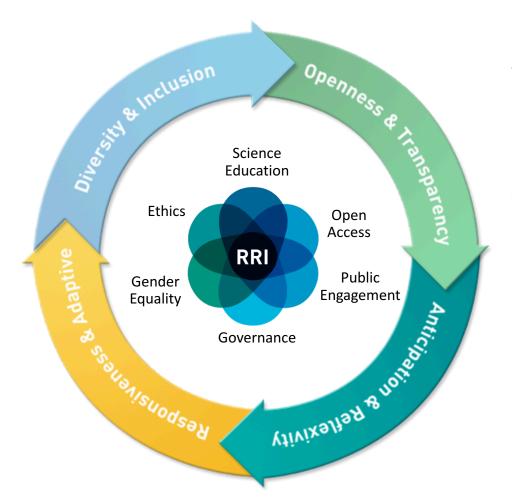
= > all **societal actors** (researchers, citizens, policymakers, industry, educators, etc.) **work together during the whole research and innovation process** in order to align its outcomes to the values, needs and expectations of European society.

Implementing public engagement in Horizon 2020 => Building participatory Research & Innovation (R&I) actions



RRI RING

PROCESS REQUIREMENTS



OUTCOME

REQUIREMENTS

LEARNING Outcomes

- · Engaged publics
- · Responsible actors
- · Responsible Institutions

R&I SYSTEM Outcomes

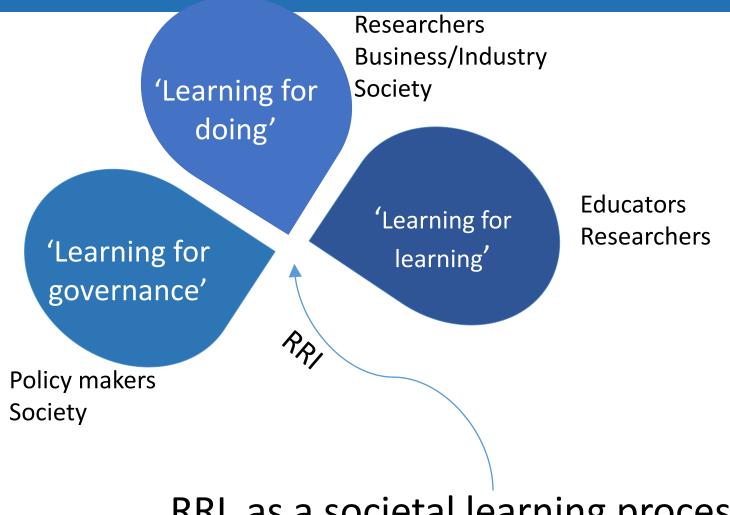
- · Ethically acceptable
- · Sustainable
- · Socially desirable

Solutions to Societal challenges

- · Health & demographics
- · Innovative & reflective societal
- · Food & water
- · Climate & resources
- · Energy
- · Transport
- Security



RRI as a learning process







Stakeholder integration

Co-creation Ø Co-design

Responsible Research and Innovation

Societal actors work together to **align** research and results with the values, needs and expectations of society.

Public engagement

Iterative/participatory multi-actor dialogues to co-create research and innovation outcomes and policy agendas.

Trans-disciplinarity

Methodologies that **integrate scientific** disciplines, and non-academic **and non-formalized knowledge**.



RESOURCES:



Home / Self assesment tool

Self-reflection Tool

What is RRI? What aspects of RRI are important in your work and already taken into account? Which aspects need more reflection and consideration?

The self-reflection tool provides a questionnaire including questions and statements addressing all stakeholder groups (policy makers, education community, civil society organisations, industry an business and researchers).

This questionnaire is divided into six question blocks, according to the RRI Policy Agendas (Ethics, Gender, Equiality, Governance of RRI, Science Education, and Open Access). This tool aims to support you in starting a reflection process on RRI and to find appropriate resources helping you to improve your research and innovation projects.



How to use this tool? A guideline to get best results



https://www.rri-tools.eu/self-reflection-tool

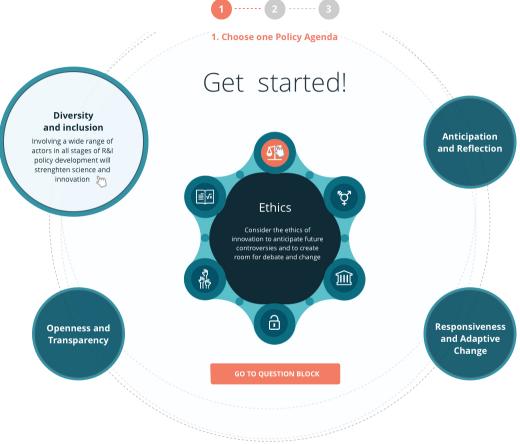
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System Change Resources Biodiversity Earthquake

Teaching GeoEthics Across the Geoscience Curriculum

GeoEthics Teaching GeoEthics Across the Geoscience Curriculum: Overview Participant Workshop 2014 Checklist

Chico Hot Springs, Pray, Montana

Application Deadline: extended to March 1, 2014

geosciences (GeoEthics). A major goal of this workshop is to begin to develop a community of scholars interested in developing a GeoEthics curriculum for use in geoscience courses at all levels. The workshop is designed to bring together innovators and early adopters to: a) survey, aggregate, organize and disseminate the instructional resources that are currently available, b) create a collection of case studies on GeoEthics that can be used in introductory courses, embedded into "core" courses for geoscience majors, or in dedicated courses on GeoEthics, and c) expand the network of colleagues who are interested in including a GeoEthics component in their own course work. The workshop is limited to 35 participants and we encourage those from the geoscience research and education communities, as well as the STEM ethics education community to apply.

Workshop Conveners

David Mogk, Montana State University

Sue Kieffer, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign John Geissman, University of Texas, Dallas

How to Teach Daniel Vallero, Duke University Shaun Taylor, Director of Course Development at Educurious.org GeoEthics

Michael Reidy, Montana State University

Teaching

GeoEthics Across

the Geoscience

What to Teach About GeoEthics

Selected GeoFthics

Resources

Participant

Curriculum

Monica Bruckner, Science Education Resource Center (SERC)

Workshop Program and Tentative Schedule

Workshop activities will include presentations, demonstrations of teaching activities, large and small group discussions, and working group sessions. Instructional materials and other information will be organized and compiled as collections of digital resources and case studies on ethical issues for use across the geoscience curriculum









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