

Call for Contributions

EUA-CDE Annual Meeting
Doctoral Education and Harnessing Digital Possibilities

Hosted by Tallinn University
15-16 June 2017 | Tallinn, Estonia

The EUA Council for Doctoral Education (EUA-CDE) has the pleasure to announce a call for contributions to its 2017 annual meeting, titled 'Doctoral Education and Harnessing Digital Possibilities'. The event will be hosted by Tallinn University on 15 and 16 June 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia.

As societies in general and universities in particular explore the opportunities of digitalisation, EUA-CDE has highlighted open science and innovation and their potential to change established research practices as some of the most pressing issues confronting today's academic community. Doctoral candidates and other early-stage researchers find themselves at the forefront of harnessing digital possibilities in this regard, adapting their work to make use of new opportunities. Universities must develop coherent policies and infrastructures for online sharing and learning in doctoral education that can be used in a coherent and responsible manner across the institution.

The annual meeting will bring together European stakeholders working to harness digital possibilities in doctoral education, illuminating the key aspects of this issue in a series of discussions and opportunities to exchange good practices. The central question in these discussions will be how all institutional levels can work together to build a coherent strategy to support early-stage researchers as they lead the way on exploring the opportunities of open science for academic research.

EUA-CDE annual meetings have become the largest and most comprehensive gatherings of academic leaders and professionals working on doctoral education and research training in Europe, the previous edition welcoming 230 participants from 111 institutions in 26 countries. Open to everyone working in this field, they offer EUA-CDE members an opportunity to build new partnerships with European and national policy makers, funding organisations, quality assurance agencies, global partners and other relevant stakeholders.

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Contributions should have a clear link to harnessing digital possibilities in relation to doctoral education and research training. Specifically, they should focus on one or more of the following issues:

Doctoral Education and Data Management	Open Science vs Intellectual Property
Doctoral Education and Predatory Publishers	Benefits and Challenges of Social Media
Distance Learning	New Skills for Doctoral Supervisors

EUA-CDE members are encouraged to submit their contribution by clicking [here](#) (Google form).

Please take note the following important information:

- The deadline for submitting contributions is **Sunday 30 April 2017**.
- **Contributions must include the following elements:** a title and up to five key words, a blurb (max 250 characters), an abstract (max 2000 characters) and, in case of multiple authors, one presenter should be clearly defined.
- **Only contributions from EUA-CDE members will be accepted.** Please see our membership directory by clicking [here](#).
- After submitting a contribution, **please do not register for the event until the results of the selection process have been announced.** Each selected presentation will benefit from one reduced registration fee, which will be applied through a special registration process.

Selection of Contributions

Contributions will be reviewed on the basis of the following criteria:

- The contribution has a clear focus that will be of interest to the meeting participants
- The argument and structure of the contribution is logical, coherent and understandable
- The contribution has the potential to start a lively debate
- Contributions presenting examples of institutional practices are critical and self-reflective

The presenters will be informed about the results of the selection procedure soon after the submission deadline. Selected contributions may receive comments on how the presentation should be altered to ensure a good fit with the annual meeting and its participants. Information regarding the day and time of the meeting sessions will be provided at a later date. All correspondence with the presenters will take place by e-mail.

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