

2023 EUA-CDE Annual Meeting

Engaged research – the role of communication in doctoral education

Jointly hosted by Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology and University of Helsinki,
Finland

14-16 June 2023

Call for contributions

Deadline for submission: 17 April 2023

The EUA Council for Doctoral Education invites representatives from [EUA-CDE members](#) to submit proposals for contributions to our 2023 Annual Meeting, on “Engaged research - the role of communication in doctoral education”.

The Annual Meeting, jointly hosted by the Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology and the University of Helsinki from 14 to 16 June 2023, will focus on the different dimensions of communication in doctoral education. During the event, the EUA-CDE community and additional stakeholders will also come together to discuss comprehensive approaches to including communication in doctoral education strategies and practices. A full description of the conference can be found [here](#).

Types of contributions

Proposals for two types of contributions will be considered: parallel sessions and “My doctoral school in 3 minutes”.

Parallel sessions

Contributions for the parallel sessions should be related to the overall theme of the event.

Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Science communication
- Communication skills training at the doctoral level
- Social media engagement for doctoral schools or candidates
- Interacting with employers and non-university partners
- Communication approaches and tools for doctoral schools
- Communicating effectively with candidates and supervisors as a doctoral school
- The role of communication in dealing with conflicts
- Addressing specific demographics among doctoral candidates (e.g. first generation, age, gender identities etc.)
- Thesis writing and defence

- Interacting with the media
- Scholarly publication and open science
- Communication as part of research assessment

Selected contributions will receive up to 15 minutes, followed by a Q&A session, and should stimulate interaction and discussion with the audience. They may include presentations of case studies, good practice, national initiatives, or ways of addressing challenges. Contributions designed to share experiences with a specific practice or approach at the institutional or national level are also welcome.

While the Annual Meeting will focus on some of the topics listed above, we also welcome proposals on other topics connected with the overall theme of the conference.

NEW: My doctoral school in 3 minutes

Related to the overall theme of the conference, EUA-CDE will organise this year a “My doctoral school in 3 minutes” contest. The contributor has three minutes to present their doctoral school or programme, and what makes it unique. It can be related to specific characteristics like interdisciplinary approaches or themes, specific support structures or forms of collaboration.

Selection criteria for the two types of contributions

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- The proposed contribution has a clear focus that will be of interest to the meeting participants.
- The proposed contribution relates to the theme of the conference.
- The argument and structure of the proposed contribution is logical, coherent and understandable.
- The proposed contribution has the potential to start a lively debate.
- The proposed contributions, if presenting examples of institutional practices, is critical and self-reflective.
- The proposed contribution can be presented within the given timeframe.

Applicants should bear in mind that the proposal form will ask for the following information:

- The details of one presenter;
- The details of an additional contact person and up to three co-authors (both optional);
- Topic to which the contribution is most directly related;
- Title of the proposed contribution;
- Brief summary (max. 50 words);
- Abstract.

IMPORTANT: Authors of contributions selected for parallel sessions will benefit from a fee reduction, which will be applied through a special registration process. Please note that a special registration fee will be awarded to only one author per contribution. There is no reduced registration fee for participants in the 'My doctoral school in 3 minutes' session.

All potential contributors are kindly asked to wait to register for the Annual Meeting until the results of the selection process have been announced. Selected contributors are responsible for their own travel and accommodation expenses.

For more information, please visit the [event webpage](#) or contact Ana-Maria Peneoasu at info@eua-cde.org.

Submission

All proposals should be submitted using one of the forms below, in a single file in Word format, by **17 April 2023** to info@eua-cde.org. Please do not send a hard copy, PDF file or PowerPoint presentation.

[Submission form for parallel sessions](#)

[Submission form for 'My doctoral school in 3 minutes'](#)

Deadline

The deadline to submit contributions is **17 April 2023**.