

Landscape and horizons in Peer Review.

The European Peer Review Guide: Recommendations and actions

*International Conference
CNR-Aula Convegni/Marconi
Piazzale Aldo Moro 7, Roma
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The Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR), the European Science Foundation (ESF), and the Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN), joined forces to organise a conference on peer review. In particular, they aim at presenting and discussing the recently published European Peer Review Guide, which is the product of a common effort between more than 30 national research funding and performing organisations from 23 countries, the European Science Foundation (ESF), the European Research Council (ERC), the European Commission and the Research Executive Agency (REA). The European Peer Review Guide draws a European and international good practice in peer review processes, and seeks to promote a measure of coherence and effectiveness in the form of a practical reference document at the European level. The Guide is based on a comprehensive survey, the ESF Survey Analysis Report on Peer Review Practices, which benchmarked and identified good practice amongst the many different systems and criteria currently in use in European countries.

The Rome conference is an important occasion to discuss the different approaches on peer review applied by Italian Institutions within the European scenario/agenda.



Morning session

9:30 - 10:00

Welcome and introduction, CNR's President Luciano Maiani, Antonio Agostini (DG MIUR), to be confirmed; INFN's President Roberto Petronzio

10:00 - 10:15 The importance of Peer Review for creating a competitive European Research Area (*Marc Heppener, ESF*)

10:15 - 10:30 Building European good practices through the Member Organisation Fora for Peer Review and Evaluation (*Laura Marin, ESF*)

10:30 - 10:45 The landscape: ESF Peer Review Survey and European Peer Review Guide (*Cristina Marras, CNR*)

10:45 - 11:00 The European Peer Review Guide: Main features, perspectives and prospectives (*Farzam Ranjbaran, ESF*)

11:00 - 11:15 A joint European agenda for peer review and evaluation: strengths and weaknesses (*Valerio Vercesi, INFN*)

11:15 - 13:30 Round table and final discussion: The Italian research towards a reform: new scenarios for evaluation, Chair: ANVUR (*Stefano Fantoni*)

- The Peer Review system in Italian project funding (*MIUR*), *Andrea di Porto PRIN and Massimo Inguscio PON*
Alberto Albertini FIRB (to be confirmed)

- *Ministero della Salute*

- (*INFN*)

- "Progetti Bandiera" CNR -Programma Nazionale della Ricerca 2011-2013 (*Fabio Trincardi CNR "RITMARE" and Giuseppe Macino CNR "EPIGENOMICA"*)

- Tools and procedures for peer review at Telethon (*Lucia Monaco, Telethon*)

- *CINECA, CARIPLO (to be confirmed)*

- *Confindustria*

13:30 end of the morning session - Lunch

Afternoon session

15:00 - 16:30 (ESF-CNR)

The afternoon session is dedicated to discussing peer review methodologies for specific programmes. Participants are requested to register by the deadline of 09/09/2011 for this session

The following key aspects will be discussed:

- Peer Review of monodisciplinary versus pluridisciplinary research programs;
- The use of bibliometrics;
- Data bases and selection of reviewers

