



UNICA - VUB Webinar

“Applying Open Science in Research Projects”

18 January 2021

13.00 to 15.00 (CET)

The purpose of the webinar is to discuss the practical aspects and consequences of applying Open Science in research projects.

Open Science is a key element of Horizon Europe projects. The European Commission website refers to Open Science as “a transition in how research is performed and how knowledge is shared” and explains how Open Science is aimed to make science more efficient, reliable, and responsive to societal challenges. To this end, the webinar will include a presentation by the Vrije Universiteit Brussel on what Open Science is and what it is not, and presentations by UNICA members on the application of Open Science in practice.

The VUB Multidisciplinary Program on Sustainable Food and Biomass Systems is established to support the preparation and execution of multi-disciplinary research and education projects. As the [concept note](#) for the program explains, projects developed with support of the program will apply to the extent possible the concept of Open Science.

Programme

(as of 22 December 2020)

13:00 - 13:10	Welcome and introduction – PIET VAN DER MEER, Guest Professor Biotechnology Regulations, Vrije Universiteit Brussel and LUCIANO SASO, President of UNICA
13:10 - 13:45	“What is Open Science and what is it not” – RENE VON SCHOMBERG, Team Leader, Open Science Policy Coordination Development, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation
13:45 - 14:00	Open science in UNICA by FRANCOISE VANDOOREN, Library Research Support Coordinator, ULB & Chair of the UNICA Scholarly Communication Working Group and DIANA PUSTULA, Head of Office for International Research and Liaison, University of Warsaw & Chair of UNICA’s EU Research Liaison Officers Working Group TBC
14:00 - 14:30	“Applying Open Science in practice” – Presentation from a project perspective, PIET VAN DER MEER, VUB
14:30 - 15:00	Q&A and discussion

Biographies and abstracts



Luciano Saso, President of UNICA

Luciano Saso (Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy) received his PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences from Sapienza University in 1992. He is author of more than 220 scientific articles published in peer reviewed international journals with impact factor (SASO-L in www.pubmed.com, total impact factor > 500, H-index Google Scholar 45, Scopus 37). He coordinated several research projects in the field of pharmacology and has been referee for many national and international funding agencies and international scientific journals in the last 30 years. Prof. Saso has extensive experience in international relations and he is currently Vice-Rector for European University Networks at Sapienza University of Rome. In the last 15 years, he participated in several projects including IMS2020, EGRACONS, IMOTION, BUCUM, UZDOC, TRAIN and has been speaker and chair at many international conferences organised by UNICA and other university networks. He coordinates the Sapienza team in the European University CIVIS (www.civis.eu). Prof. Saso has been Member of the Steering Committee of UNICA for two mandates (2011-2015) and in November 2019 he has been re-elected President of UNICA for the second mandate (2019-2023).

Piet Van Der Meer, Guest Professor Biotechnology Regulations, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

Rene Von Schomberg, Team Leader, Open Science Policy Coordination Development, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation