

The OSCAR CoARA Boost Teaming Project: Fostering Research Careers and Policies via Open Science Practices

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OSCAR - the “Open Science Collaboration for Research Career Advancement and Policy Innovation at the University of Rijeka and the University of Cyprus” CoARA Boost Teaming project was aimed at practically implementing responsible research assessment (RRA) and Open Science (OS) reforms in differing institutional and national contexts, with focus on barriers and enablers of change.

Coordinator: University of Rijeka, Croatia (UNIRI).

Partners: University of Cyprus (UCY) and European Office of Cyprus (EOC).

Key Objectives:

Based on joint UNIRI & UCY participation in YUFE European University alliance and the YERUN network, as well as UNIRI's CoARA Action Plan (AP) and HRS4R AP:

- Reform through partnership, thus translating, via the [Joint OS Collaboration Plan](#), OS principles into concrete institutional tools.

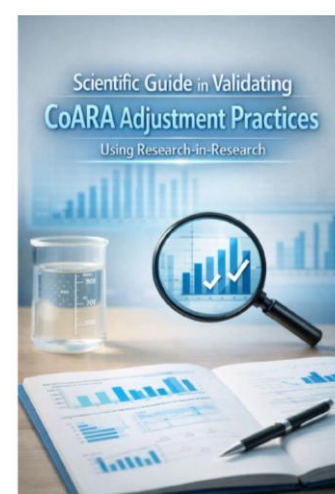
CoARA Action Plan Development Guidelines - Final draft -

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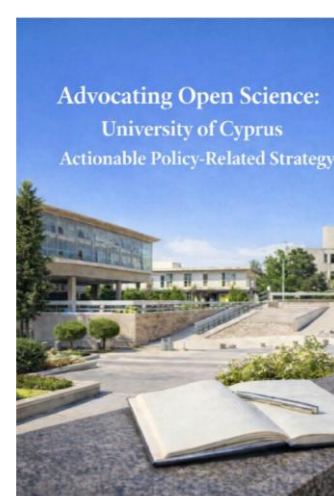
- Via produced [CoARA AP Development Guidelines](#), provide a structured approach to developing APs that reflect institutional goals and values while adhering to CoARA's principles, thus catalysing the production of [UCY AP](#).

- Operationalise and extend the [Researcher Assessment Framework](#) piloted by UNIRI and UCY in HE OPUS project, the [Research Career Framework](#) jointly piloted in HE SECURE project, and the [YUFE Competence Framework for Researchers](#), hence translating commitments into practice.



- Use research-on-research expertise to validate [CoARA adjustment practices](#), thus providing a structured framework for indicator selection, feedback loop design, bias prevention and quality validation.

- Engage the ecosystem to extend reform to [national policy advocacy](#).
- Offer a replicable model for CoARA community by stimulating collaboration, mutual learning and adaptation within other institutional contexts.



✓ **Collaborative and coordinated mutual learning within OSCAR led to capacity building in RRA and OS and to developing transparent, inclusive and consistent practices, thus providing basis for sustainable change beyond project's lifetime.**

- ✓ **OSCAR offers an evidence-based good practice example that responsible assessment, OS and transparency are, at their core, community endeavours. It has shown that there are numerous tools and practices scattered throughout different research communities, but that selecting and adapting them to specific institutional contexts remains a challenge.**

