Open Research for Global Impact

Call for Papers Guidelines

Open Research for Global Impact is an in-person event which aims to showcase open research practices and how they enhance the visibility, impact and reach of scholarly work and research projects in DCU. The event will take place on 22nd October 2025.

We invite academic and research staff from all faculties, and at any career level, to submit abstracts for 10-minute presentations on how open practices in their research have enhanced impact and engagement.

This is an opportunity to share your work with colleagues across disciplines and to engage in conversations about how transparency and openness can enhance the impact of research.

An award will be made on the day for the most impactful presentation.

What are open research practices?

Open Research aims to increase openness, transparency and reproducibility across all parts of the research lifecycle. In its *Open Research Statement* DCU aims to "actively create and pursue opportunities to grow and foster a values-driven, pluralistic, multi-faceted approach towards open research across the disciplinary spectrum."

Open research practices cover a range of activities and principles related to how research is carried out and shared, broadening access and participation. Practices include:

- Citizen Science
- Open Access Publishing
- Open (FAIR) Data
- Open Code
- Open Education Resources
- Open Methodologies
- Open Monographs
- Open Peer Review
- Open Software
- Participatory Methods (e.g. Stakeholder partnerships/PPI)
- Pre-prints
- Pre-registration
- Public Engagement

Eligibility

- Open to all DCU academic and research staff
- Both individual and collaborative submissions are welcome

Abstract Submission Requirements

Please submit your application using the form, to include:

- Title of Presentation
- Lead Author and Co-presenters (if applicable)
- Research Overview
 - o Brief description of your research project
- Open Research Component
 - Outline how open practices were used (e.g., open access, open methods, open/FAIR data, citizen science, PPI etc)
- Impact
 - Describe how these practices enhanced the reach, uptake, or engagement of your work (e.g. how this impact can be contextualised at an international level or how wider impact has been achieved)
- Proposed Theme of Your Talk
 - What aspect of open research and impact will be the main focus of your presentation?

Selection Criteria

Submissions will be assessed and selected for presentation based on the following:

- Clarity and relevance of the research and abstract to the event themes
- Use of open research principles in meaningful ways
- Evidence or potential of impact, in particular global impact
- Ability to communicate across disciplines

Shortlisting will also seek to ensure a fair representation of research areas. An award will be made on the day for the most impactful presentation.

Submission Information

Deadline for Abstract Submission: 30th June 2025 (Submit to research@dcu.ie)

Notification of Acceptance: 12th September 2025

Event Information

Event Date: 22nd October 2025

Location: To be confirmed

Accepted submissions will give a 10-minute talk followed by 5 minutes for Q&A Presentations should be accessible to a multidisciplinary audience