Early Career Researchers and Scientists Network

Newsletter WDS ECR Network #2 – May 2019

WDS Asia-Oceania (7-8 May 2019 - Beijing)

Alice Frémand, Co-chair of the WDS ECR Network, traveled to Beijing, China, to lead the efforts to build and expand the WDS ECR community in the Asia-Oceania region at this year's WDS Asia-Oceania conference. Alice introduced the network and shared the various activities that the WDS has developed to support ECRs. She got to liaise with enthusiastic students and young scientists involved in data-oriented activities and data management.

Alice also had the honor to present **Dr. Linhuan Wu**, Principal Data Scientist at the WFCC World Data Centre for Microorganisms, her 2017 WDS Stewardship award. This was followed by an excellent presentation by Dr. Wu on her work on the Global Catalogue of Microorganisms.

We look forward to continued engagement with the Asia-Oceania ECR community and thank you all for making this conference a success for our Network!

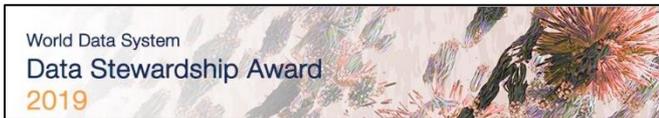### *Congratulations Dr. Linhhuan Wu for your fantastic work on data management!!*

News from the Scientific Committee World Data System

The **WDS Scientific Committee** met 9-10 May, 2019, in Beijing, China. **Alice Frémand**, representative of ECR Network to the WDS Scientific Committee (SC), provided an overview of all of our accomplishments so far this year. In the last six months, the SC has been preparing a *training school* sponsored by EGU to introduce Research Data Management to young scientists. The training school will be held in Paris in November. More details forthcoming!

Want to know more about WDS activities? Check out the website [here](#)

Data Stewardship Award 2019

Call for nominations for **2019 WDS Data Stewardship award** is now open until 29 July 2019. This [annual prize](#) celebrates the exceptional contributions of early career researchers to the improvement of scientific data stewardship through their (1) engagement with the community, (2) academic achievements, and (3) innovations.

The WDS welcomes your nominations ! These **may now be made any scientific organization, group, body, union, or otherwise**. The winner for the 2019 Data Stewardship Award will be presented their award and a prize in a plenary at the next SciDataCon (dates and venue to be confirmed)—alongside the 2020 Award winner—with their attendance covered by the World Data System.

Upcoming Events:

- [RDA 14th Plenary Meeting](#) - 23-25 October 2019, Helsinki, Finland
- **WDS-ECR Speaker Series**: Our next speaker series will be hosted in June 2019. More details to come!

Thank you **Dr. Ana Slavek** for joining us during our kick-off of the WDS ECR Speaker Series and for your inspiring talk on PlanS! Ana Slavek, Co-Coordinator of the Eurodoc (European Council of Doctoral Candidates and Junior Researchers) Working Group on Open Science, shared with us an overview of the joint statement on Open Access for researchers via Plan S. Her slides and all future speaker series slides will be made available via our ECR-Network website in due course.

We welcome your recommendations for future speakers! If you have a nomination or want to talk about your current work/initiative, please let us know by sending an e-mail to ecr-chairs@icsu-wds.org.

Training and Job Opportunities

- Summer School on managing scientific data from analysis to long term archiving sponsored by EUDAT and PRACE will take place in Trieste from 23 to 27 September. Applications now open until 15th June, 2019. More information [here](#).
- **Get prepared: WDS is also organizing a training school in November in Paris**. The Call for applications will open in June.

JOB OPPORTUNITY:

- WDS is seeking to appoint a senior member of staff to be part of the leadership team of the WDS International Programme Office (IPO) hosted by the National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) in Tokyo, Japan, with core funding provided by NICT. For more information, please contact the Co-Chairs: ecr-chairs@icsu-wds.org