WHAT DOES RESPONSIBLE RESEARCH ASSESSMENT LOOK LIKE?

There are better ways of assessing researchers that don’t rely on impact factors, bibliometrics and narrow criteria. Institutions are increasingly expected to move with the times and update their assessment practices, but there’s no one-size-fits-all approach.

Reformscape can help you answer, “So what can I actually do?”

Reformscape is an online tool where you can explore examples of how to bring responsible assessment for hiring, promotion and tenure into your institution, and share your approach with others.

“There’s some hesitancy at my institution. I need evidence and case studies to encourage conversations forward.”

Easily share examples and searches to spark conversations and help colleagues understand what responsible research assessment looks like in real-life.

“We’ve started changing specific assessment practices but it’s difficult to know how our plan compares to what others are doing.”

Use Reformscape to benchmark what you’re doing within a national and global landscape.

“I wish there was a quick way to celebrate progress and demonstrate we’re acting on signing DORA.”

Add your institution’s journey to Reformscape as a quick and easy way to demonstrate you’re making change and to share your own approach with others.

“I need to quickly learn about trends worldwide such as pockets of good practice and where is ahead of the curve.”

View graphs and trends over time and by country, and read expertly curated commentary by the DORA team.

“I want to keep informed of what others are doing, so I can feed that into my own institution’s plans.”

Co-created with the global academic community, Reformscape will continue to grow as more institution profiles are added. Use it regularly to keep up to date with new trends, commentary and inspiration.

As a resource, Reformscape can be used by:

1. Senior academics, and people in position to change assessment policies, looking for detailed examples of what others have done to learn what might work for their institution.

2. Early and mid-career researchers looking for evidence and case studies to help make a case for change.

3. Staff that manage the assessment process who want to benchmark their institution’s approach within the wider landscape of reform, or browse assessment practices to draw inspiration from others.

4. Research assessment or DORA working groups looking for good practices and an easy way to share and celebrate progress.

5. Funders and initiatives wanting to keep informed of what institutions are doing; track changes and trends.

Ready to change your assessment practices and looking for practical next steps?

Scan to visit Reformscape.org and discover what’s possible.

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