2019 Central and Eastern Europe Conference
11th – 13th September 2019, Marie Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland

Academic Publishing and Career Development

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The work of the RSA

- Global membership organisation
- Conferences & events
- Networks
- Publishing portfolio
- Knowledge exchange/Policy engagement
- Funding/Research grant schemes
The global publishing market

2.5 mio. articles published per year in around 27,000 peer-reviewed journals
The world as it was...

Have an idea:
- Write first
- Submit to top tier journal/press
- Wait for months for a response

Get rejected:
- Revise based on feedback (if any)
- Send to second tier journal/press
- Wait again

Get a yes:
- Complete edits
- Move on to new project
The world is now...

Where are my conversational homes?
What ideas work best in these areas?

Promotion of research
Citing early release of research
Developing a media profile
Submitting a manuscript
Responding to feedback from publishers and readers
Positioning your article for the win

- 30% of authors write for a specific journal
- 70% write then ask, where shall I publish?
- Think about being in the 30%
Quick Wins

Be discoverable

TITLE

ABSTRACT

KEYWORDS

AUTHOR E-PRINTS (usually 50 copies)

EMAIL SIGNATURE

READING LIST – see if you can get on the student reading list

VIDEO ABSTRACT - Video or Vanish?

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Quick Wins

Social Media and online sharing – the quick wins

BUILD YOUR COMMUNITY
• Your departmental website
• LinkedIn – mention article – give reference
• Use academic social networking sites e.g. academia.edu
• Use discussion lists (e.g. JISCMail, ListServ)
• Twitter and Facebook - Weibo & WeChat in China
• Personal Wikipedia page
• Blog articles
• Hand out flyers at conferences for books and articles
• Consider press release (if appropriate)
• Book marketing – e.g. SAGE author resource site is good on this
• Do a book launch in partnership with your publisher
Positioning your article for the win

**Before the project**
Co-production – use partners, give evidence, involve civil servants/policymakers, use think tanks and learned societies throughout

**During project**
- Put outputs online
- Speak at conferences
- Build up network – be selective
- Join social media platforms
- Link up with learned societies and networks such as RSA

**On publication**
- Connect publication to other relevant outputs e.g. blog article
- Summarise in simple language
- Tell people
- Readers are more responsive to the author than publisher
- Build conversations
- Be generous – share your work
- Listen and respond – takes time and effort

**On going**
- Keep work alive by continuing to connect to new material
- Measure which communications channel worked best
RSA Publications

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Impact Factor (2018): 2.729

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- Scopus
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- Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
- EBSCO (TOC Premier)

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✓ Organise and promote a special session

✓ Use Association’s social media e.g. announce/discuss your paper

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✓ Offer to moderate or chair a conference session

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Messages to leave you with...

Symbiotic relationship learned society/ member

Societies work with research leaders

Be proactive/ volunteer/ be engaged

Maximise the career value of your research and publications

Thank you

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