

# NRIN Annual Report 2023 & Plan of Activities 2024

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# NRIN Annual Report 2023

#### Team

Since the retirement of Professor Emeritus Lex Bouter in September 2022, Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven has taken over his role as chair of the NRIN. Early in 2023, Dorien van der Schot left her role as NRIN Coordinator to join the VU Policy Advisory Team. The NRIN Chair and NRIN Advisory Board express their gratitude for Dorien's commitment and enthusiasm to NRIN over the past four years and wish her success in her new professional endeavour.

In November 2023, Dr Rita Santos was appointed as the new NRIN Coordinator. Before taking this role, Rita has gained expertise in the field of research integrity working on the Horizon2020 project <u>INTEGRITY</u>, the Erasmus+ projects <u>ETHICS</u> and <u>FAITH</u>, and until recently she worked as Executive Director and Project Manager of the European Network for Academic Integrity (<u>ENAI</u>), where she managed the network's activities and events. We are confident that she will be a good replacement for Dorien and welcome her to the team.

Also, in November 2023, Joshua Gualtieri was appointed Project Assistant for NRIN. His main tasks involve managing the NRIN webpage and social media. Joshua works as a project assistant and researcher for the <a href="Embassy of Good Science">Embassy of Good Science</a> and is involved in some EU-funded projects (e.g. <a href="IRECS">IRECS</a> and <a href="CATALISI">CATALISI</a>). Joshua holds a master's degree in Humanities with a focus on Philosophy.



### NRIN Team:



Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven Chair



Dr Rita Santos Coordinator



Joshua Gualtieri Project Assistant

# NRIN Advisory Board

The NRIN Advisory Board consists of the following persons:

- Lex Bouter
- Fenneke Blom
- Ton Hol
- Frits Rosendaal
- Evert van Leeuwen
- Anthonie Meijers

Anthonie Meijers has indicated that, due to his retirement, he wishes to step down from the advisory board in 2024. In the Advisory Board meeting in June 2024 it is agreed that a member of the universities of applied sciences will sought.

Below, we will offer an overview of the main activities and initiatives of NRIN in the past year.

# NRIN Research Integrity Lunches

NRIN has been promoting informal open meetings, onsite or online, to discuss various topics related to research integrity, research ethics and responsible conduct in research.



These meetings were called **NRIN Research Integrity (RI) Lunches** and occurred every  $3^{rd}$  Wednesday of the month from 13:00 - 14:00 CET/CEST.

The NRIN RI Lunches have included presentations by experts in the field and attracted attention from the Dutch and international scientific communities. The overarching goal of these meetings has been to promote a forum for discussion of issues and best practices in these fields, where participants are challenged to reflect on the topics presented and share their views and concerns. Participants of these meetings included PhD students, early career researchers, senior researchers, academics and all those interested in the topics presented. These meetings were in English and included a chair and a referee responsible for moderating the session.

The recording of the RI lunch meetings is available on the NRIN webpage.

The team responsible for organising the meetings included Dr Joeri Tijdink (VU & Amsterdam UMC), Dr Jenny van der Steen (LUMC), Dorien van der Schot (VU) and Iris Lechner (VU PhD student).

### In 2023, the following RI Lunch meetings took place:

Date	Topic	Speaker	Mode
18 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Replication project	Charlotte Rulkens	Onsite
15 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Rubicon project	Tamarinde Haven	Online
15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	TIER-2 project	Joeri Tijdink	Onsite
19 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Living systematic reviews	Judith ter Schure	Online
17 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Research Integrity Quiz	René Bekkers	Onsite
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2023	On tour	Lodewijk Pet	Onsite

Due to the absence of both the chair (for medical reasons) and a coordinator (one leaving the position and the other starting early November), the RI Lunch sessions in the fall of 2023 were cancelled.

### **International Meetings**

Since the launch of the **Network for Education and Research Quality (NERQ)** on March 2023 in Brussels (Belgium), NRIN has been supporting NERQ by sharing news about the network's activities and events on the NRIN webpage and social media and managing the registration for the onsite and online events that took place in 2023. NERQ is an initiative supported by the European Commission that aims to exchange good teaching



and learning practices to help increase the quality of training and stimulate research on the impact and learning effects. NERQ strives to increase knowledge and share best practices on research integrity, research ethics and open science through the work of Special Interest Groups (SIG). Currently, NERQ has over 250 members; people can sign up via <u>LinkedIn</u>.

Some members of Dutch Universities with close cooperation with NRIN (e.g. Dr Miriam van Loon, Dr Tamarinde Haven, Dr Joeri Tijdink and Dr Flávio Azevedo) have also joined NERQ, coordinated by Professor Julia Priess-Buccheit (Kiel University, Germany) and Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven (Amsterdam UMC).

# In 2023, the following NERQ meetings, in partnership with NRIN, took place:

Date	Meeting	Location
3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	Kick-off meeting of NERQ	Brussels (Belgium)
20 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	NERQ half-day conference	Online
	<ul> <li>Expanding the Network</li> </ul>	
6 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Meeting for SIG leaders	Brussels (Belgium)

NRIN was represented by Dorien van der Schot in the <u>ENRIO</u> (European Network for Research Integrity Offices) meetings and Congress in Paris from 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

# CWI Meeting (closed meetings)

NRIN has been organising bi-annual meetings (onsite or online) with the chairs and secretaries of **Research Integrity Committees (CWI)** from Dutch Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences. Due to the sensitive topics, these meetings are only open to members of Research Integrity Committees. The meetings offer an opportunity to discuss practices, approaches and the challenges encountered when dealing with cases of research misconduct. These meetings are highly regarded by the chairs and secretaries of CWI, as they offer an unique opportunity for exchanging knowledge and practices, and discussion of issues among representatives from other Dutch Institutions. These meetings are chaired by Dr Yvonne Erkens (Leiden University), and members are invited to propose the topics and cases they wish to see addressed during the meeting.

### In 2023, the following CWI meetings took place:



Date	Location	
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Utrecht (Paushuize)	

### VPs Meeting (closed meeting)

The meetings with the Research Integrity Confidential Counsellors (VPs) from Dutch Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences occur twice a year (onsite or online). These meetings aim to share practices, challenges and cases among the counsellors. The meetings are highly regarded by the confidential counsellors, as they offer an unique opportunity for the discussion of cases and exchange of expertise among VPs from other Dutch Institutions. These meetings are chaired by Professor Bert Theunissen (Utrecht University), and counsellors are invited to propose the topics and cases they wish to discuss during the meeting. These meetings are only open to VPs.

## In 2023, the following VP meetings took place:

Date	Location	
30 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	VU Amsterdam	

NRIN has agreed to provide training once a year to new VPs and/or VPs who would like to acquire training in their role as Research Integrity Confidential Counsellors. For that, NRIN partnered with Claartje van Sijl, who has a proven record of coaching and training for academics (<u>link</u>). Claartje's course for VPs includes topics such as mediation of conflicts and deliberation models, among others.

On 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023, a course for VPs took place onsite at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. The course was fully booked and considered successful by its participants. Together with Bert Theunissen, we decided to organise this training annually. The next course will take place in Spring 2024.

# WI Policy Staff Meeting (closed meetings)

In 2023, a new group of **Research Integrity (WI) Policy Staff** from Dutch Universities was established. The establishment of this group was highly valued by policy makers, who have long felt the need of a forum to meet other policy makers involved in research integrity to exchange practices and discuss issues in the role. This group meets informally to exchange knowledge and discuss best practices, approaches and development needs



related to policies. No periodicity is planned for the meetings. The meetings are chaired by Dorien van der Schot (VU) and Bob Siegerink (Leiden UMC) and are open to RI Policy Advisors from Dutch Universities.

# In 2023, the following RI Policy Staff meetings took place:

Date	Location
5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Rotterdam, Erasmus University
9 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Utrecht, University of Humanistics

### Educational Developers Meeting (closed meetings)

The meetings of the Educational Developers on Research Integrity and Responsible Scientific Practices occur two/three times a year. These meetings aim to connect those at Dutch Universities responsible for developing and/or providing educational training on these topics to discuss curricula vision, assessment methods, best practices, new tools, challenges and educational needs on specific topics. Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven chairs the meetings. It has been discussed in the group how these meetings relate to the recent NERQ initiative. Members are also invited to join the NERQ community, yet also indicate that they feel the need to continue meetings with colleagues in nearby universities.

### In 2023, the following Educational Developers meetings took place:

Date	Location
18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Online meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Online meeting

#### Other activities

#### Podcast initiative

Next to these regular activities, NRIN has supported the initiative to create podcasts on research integrity topics. This initiative started in 2022, yet in 2023, a few podcasts were released. The primary goal of the research integrity podcasts were to bring research integrity topics to a *wider and broader* research audience, by stepping "out of the research integrity bubble". In doing so, we hope that research integrity will become a



more mainstream topic that researchers of all backgrounds and disciplines feel comfortable in engaging from within their own research environments. The podcast initiative is to be found <u>here</u> and on the NRIN website (<u>link</u>).

### Educational materials for universities of applied sciences

In 2022, an initiative was taken to develop specific educational materials for the universities of applied sciences, in collaboration with the Vereniging Hogescholen. The last part of the materials was developed in 2023 (such as an animation). The embedding of the materials on the Embassy of Good Science still awaits the new functionalities, in order to be more appealing. The materials can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

Krishma Labib PhD Thesis defence & Symposium 'How can institutions take the lead in fostering research integrity?'

On February 2023, together with the Horizon2020 SOPS4RI project team, the NRIN organized a symposium focusing on how institutions can take the lead in fostering research integrity. The symposium involved a demonstration of the inspiring toolbox on research integrity for research institutions that the consortium developed and a discussion of how the toolbox could be implemented in academia. The program of the day also included the sharing of experiences of Dutch institutions in fostering research integrity, as well as discussions from a broader European perspective on what can be done to foster research integrity.

Before the symposium, Krishma Labib defended her PhD thesis entitled 'Developing guidelines for research institutions: Journey towards research integrity (available <u>here</u>)'. The defence took place in the Aula of the VU University in Amsterdam.

### Contribution to the Dutch Code of Conduct for Research Integrity evaluation

The KNAW has installed a committee to work on a revision of the Dutch Code of Conduct for Research Integrity and has to that purpose organised round table discussions to collect feedback on the Code. Together with the recently launched Netherlands



Reproducibility Network (NLRN), NRIN has offered a joint list with observations to the committee (during December 2023).

# Participation in European Networks and Projects

Since 2016, the NRIN participates in the European Network of Research Integrity Offices (ENRIO). In 2023, members of NRIN attended the ENRIO Congress from  $7^{th}$  to  $8^{th}$  September in Paris (France).

The chair and coordinator of NRIN, together with colleagues from the department of Ethics, Law and Humanities (AmsterdamUMC) are participating in the Erasmus+ project <u>ETHICS</u>, together with two other European partners and multiple Georgian partners. In this five-year project, NRIN will share its expertise from the Netherlands with the Georgian partners, host a site visit in Amsterdam in 2024 and help develop a massive open online course (MOOC) for the Georgian early career researchers.

**Financial Report** 

# To be developed

(the financial overview will be provided later in 2024)



### Plan of Activities 2024

### **NRIN Happy Hour**



The NRIN Research Integrity Lunches will change name and timing in 2024. This is because a decrease in the interest of participants attending the meetings in 2023 has been observed. First, it has proven difficult to organise the sessions onsite only, as since covid people have gotten used to online meetings. Hybrid meetings did not work optimal. Other reasons for a decrease in attendance are: a) clash with personal commitments on the date and time for the meetings; b) poor dissemination; c) topics are not seen attractive. We have tried the concept of 'NRIN on TOUR', yet is has not been easy to organise this within the framework of the lunch meetings.

In 2024, we will therefore make a fresh start by implementing the **NRIN Happy Hour**, which will be fully online (webinars; Zoom) and take place every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month (16:00 to 17:00 CET/CEST).

The rationale behind the change in name and time was to make the meetings more appealing and find a date that would maximise participation from the community. We acknowledge that a diversity of relevant topics and speakers for the webinars play a crucial role in maximising participation in our meetings. For this reason, we identified several topics and speakers that are interesting and relevant to the community (see



below). With a strong dissemination strategy (see below) and a diversity of topics, we believe our community will find these meetings an excellent opportunity to share knowledge and network with other practitioners in the field. In 2025, we will complement the NRIN Happy Hour webinars with onsite meetings through the **NRIN-on-Tour**<sup>1</sup>.

Our goals for the NRIN Happy Hour webinars are:

- a) to offer topics that are relevant to those with an interest in research integrity, research ethics and responsible conduct in research;
- b) to attract multiple stakeholders (e.g. students, early and senior career researchers, academics, policy officers) with an interest in the topics presented;
- c) to increase the visibility of NRIN within the Dutch scientific ecosystem and internationally;
- d) to build a community of stakeholders with an interest in these fields.

The team responsible for organising the NRIN Happy Hour webinars remains the same, except for Dorien, who has been replaced by Rita.

The provisional **program** for the NRIN Happy Hour is found below:

Title	Presenter	Chair	Referee	Date
Integrating Open and Reproducible Research Practices into Academic culture one educational resource at a time	Flavio Azevedo (Gronigen Uni)	Joeri	Lex Bouter	8 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Leaving academia: PhD attrition and unhealthy research environments	Andrea Kis	Jenny	Tamarinde Haven	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Lessons learned: How to navigate the field of research integrity as a PhD – a panel discussion with PhD students	Iris Lechner (VU), Cristian Mesquida (TU Eindhoven), Tom van Drimmelen (Leiden UMC)	Jenny	Lodwijk Pet	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Ethics of using AI in research	Mohammad Hosseini (Northwestern University, USA)	Joeri	Katharina Miller	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Towards a Research Integrity Culture at Universities – from Recommendations to	Ton Hol (Utrecht University) & Inge Lerouge (KU Leuven)	Jenny	Yvonne Erkens	27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2025, we plan to implement the **NRIN-on-Tour** to demonstrate the role and initiatives of Dutch Universities on fostering research integrity. These meetings will serve the same goals described earlier. The NRIN-on-Tour will happen monthly across Dutch Universities. These

meetings will be onsite. More details about the NRIN-on-Tour will be added to next year's report.

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Implementation				
PREPARED project	Natalie Evans & Giulia Inguaggiato (Amsterdam UMC)	Jenny	Suzanne van de Vathorst	12 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
Reproducibility topic	Michiel de Boer (NLRN)	Joeri	Gowri Gopalakrishna	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
RI Confidential counsellors: role, challenges and needs – Panel discussion	A pool of 5 CWI from the NRIN CWI closed meetings. In collaboration with Yvonne Erkens (Leiden U)	Joeri	Fenneke Blom	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
Responsible Supervision	Tamarinde Haven (Tilburg University)	Jenny	TBC	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2024

The NRIN Happy Hour webpage, outlining information about each webinar, has already been developed (link). More webinars will be announced early in 2024.

Our dissemination strategy to maximise participation in these webinars includes:

- ✓ NRIN social media posts about each webinar with periodic reminders;
- ✓ Dissemination of the webinars in the NRIN Newsletter;
- ✓ Dissemination of the webinars in the VU and Amsterdam UMC Newsletters;
- ✓ Printed posters of the webinars, with QR Code for registration, in the VU and Amsterdam UMC buildings;
- ✓ Dissemination by other organisations (e.g. Embassy of Good Science and WCRI);
- ✓ Dissemination by institutional contacts (e.g. ask contact points in each Dutch University to disseminate the calendar of webinars);
- ✓ Dissemination by personal contacts (e.g. speakers will be invited to disseminate the webinars to their network).

### **NRIN Masterclass**

In 2024, we aim to organise a few **NRIN Masterclass**. These meetings will take place onsite in different Dutch Universities and will host invited speakers to discuss topics that are relevant to the Dutch scientific community. The dynamic of these meetings is flexible (e.g. a lecture on a particular topic and a focus group discussions/workshop). The NRIN Masterclass will include partnerships with other Dutch networks and organisations.

These meetings will offer an opportunity for attendees to gain insights and discuss relevant topics in research integrity, research ethics and responsible research practices.



The following NRIN Masterclasses are planned for 2024 (further details, invitations and announcements will be made during 2024):

# ✓ Research Integrity and Open Science: initiatives, challenges and needs

o Date: 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (1h30)

o Location: VU

o Partnership: NRIN, Horizon Europe CATALISI & Erasmus+ ETHICS projects

Details: Amsterdam UMC will host delegates from the CATALISI and ETHICS projects on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024. This joint event will offer an opportunity for the delegates of both projects to exchange knowledge, showcase their institutional practices and discuss issues on responsible conduct in research, while also learning from the practices and approaches implemented at the VU & Amsterdam UMC. The closing session of the day will include a presentation from Professor Emeritus Lex Bouter, who will present initiatives on research integrity in the Netherlands and discuss the bridge between research integrity and open science. Given the relevance of the topic, Lex's talk will be recorded as the first NRIN Masterclass.

### ✓ Questionable Research Practices and Grey Zones

Date: TBCLocation: TBC

Partnership: NRIN & Netherlands Reproducibility Network (<u>NLRN</u>)

O Details: NRIN & NLRN will offer a series of masterclasses to discuss Questionable Practices in Research, Grey Zones and effective strategies to promote responsible scientific practices. A mix of lectures, roundtable and workshop sessions will be implemented to discuss ways towards fostering responsible scientific practices. This event will benefit from the perspective of multiple stakeholders (e.g., PhD students, junior and senior researchers, academics, RI policy officers, journal editors, and research funders), with the aim to develop action plans to foster responsible scientific practices in Dutch universities.

Speakers: will be announced in 2024



### **NRIN Symposium**

The **NRIN Symposium 2024** is planned for <u>25<sup>th</sup> October 2024</u>. This date may be subject to change depending on the availability of the venue. The date and location of the symposium will be announced in the NRIN Newsletter in February 2024.

The symposium will be a one-day onsite event. It will gather experts from the Dutch and international scientific communities to discuss topics related to the symposium's main theme: "Shaping a positive Research Culture at HEIs: needs, opportunities and challenges". This theme will offer an opportunity to debate and reflect on the need to shape a positive research culture at Dutch Higher Education Institutions by showcasing initiatives currently taking place to foster a healthy research culture and the role of different stakeholders in shaping this positive climate. For this reason, the symposium will be organised in two sessions:

- 1) **Session 1** From principles to practices: an overview of initiatives to improve research culture at HEIs
  - This session will focus on different initiatives (e.g. research projects) being developed to contribute to a positive research culture.
- 2) **Session 2** Stakeholders' role in fostering a positive research culture
  - This session will focus on the role of individual stakeholders (e.g. supervisors and policy officers) in shaping a positive research climate.

Two international keynote speakers with a proven track record in this topic will be invited to share perspectives and challenges on shaping a positive research culture at Higher Education Institutions. We will also invite researchers from the Dutch scientific community to share their work in this area. We plan to finalise the day with a panel discussion on the practical ways to foster a positive research culture in the Dutch scientific ecosystem. Invitations for the panel discussion will take place in 2024.

The scientific program and further information will be shared during the first three months of 2024 on the NRIN webpage. We will promote this event through our social media channels (i.e. X and LinkedIn).

National Research Ethics Meeting (in partnership with NETHICS)

<u>NETHICS</u> and NRIN will organise a one-day onsite meeting on **14**<sup>th</sup> **March 2024** at the Utrecht Science Park, with the main theme *"Research ethics across scientific disciplines"*.



This initiative aims to bring together human research ethics committees across scientific disciplines and provide a platform for discussion and sharing of best practices. The following program has been adopted:

- ✓ Presentations of existing ethics review platforms (in social sciences, humanities);
- ✓ Expert presentations and discussions of key issues in ethical review of humanrelated research with active participation of the audience;
- ✓ Introduction of plans for a Netherlands Research Ethics Platform;
- ✓ Ample opportunity to connect and network.

The full program can be found here

### **International Meetings**

NRIN will attend the 8<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Research Integrity in Athens (Greece) from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

NRIN will also support **NERQ** in the meetings that will take place during the conference. These meetings will offer an overview of the work carried out in the past year by the 11 NERQ Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and discuss future activities of the network.

NRIN, in partnership with the Local Organising Committee of the 8<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Research Integrity (represented by Dr Eleni Spyrakou - NTUA), will organise a **Satellite Meeting of Research Integrity Networks** during the conference. This meeting will take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024, at the Crown Hotel Plaza. Members of Research Integrity Networks (e.g. African Research Integrity Network, UK Research Integrity Office, Asia-Pacific Research Integrity Network, European Network for Academic Integrity, European Network of Research Integrity Offices) will be invited to discuss strategies for close cooperation among RI networks.

This meeting aims to **a)** get to know the work of each RI network, **b)** exchange practices and approaches, **c)** identify main challenges and needs, **d)** identify areas for collaboration and exchange of expertise among the networks, and **e)** strengthen partnerships.

A tentative **program** is described below:



- ✓ Welcome Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven & Dr Rita Santos (NRIN), & Professor Costas Charitidis & Dr Eleni Spyrakou (NTUA)
- ✓ Strengthening collaborations among networks: the example of the <u>International</u> <u>Reproducibility Networks</u> – Dr Michiel de Boer (Netherlands Reproducibility Network)
- ✓ Roundtable Brief introduction to each network's mission and activities
- ✓ Development of concrete actions to strengthen commitment and cooperation among Research Integrity Networks
- ✓ Future actions
- ✓ Closing remarks

# NRIN Chairs Meeting (closed meeting)

For the first time in 2024, a meeting (hybrid) with the chairs of the different groups within NRIN will be organised. This meeting will offer an opportunity to discuss:

- a) work plan for each group;
- b) challenges and needs;
- c) NRIN support to each group.

The following groups and chairs will be invited to plan the meeting in early 2024:

NRIN Group	Chair		
RI CWI	Dr Yvonne Erkens		
RI VP	Professor Bert Theunissen		
RI Policy Staff	Dorien van der Schot & Dr Bob Siegerink		
Educational Developers	Dr Giulia Inguaggiato		



### CWI Meeting (closed meeting)

The next meeting of the chairs and secretaries of **Research Integrity Committees (CWI)** will be on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in Utrecht. The meeting will promote the discussion of topics and developments of specific interest to CWIs, as well as the discussion of specific case studies. A list of topics has already been collected, and the agenda will be disseminated by the meeting chair, Dr. Yvonne Erkens (LUMC).

### VPs Meeting (closed meeting)

The next meeting of the **Research Integrity Confidential Counsellors** will be on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024 in Utrecht. A save-the-date and call for topics and/or cases to be discussed during the meeting have already been sent. This meeting will be chaired by Professor Bert Theunissen (Utrecht University) in partnership with NRIN.

An onsite training for Confidential Counsellors will be provided on the same day of the meeting (in the morning) by Claartje van Sijl. Invitation for the training, proposal of topics to be addressed during the course and registration will be managed by NRIN in cooperation with Claartje van Sijl and Professor Bert Theunissen.

### WI Policy Staff Meeting (closed meeting)

The next Research Integrity Policy Staff meeting will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2024 at the University of Twente. The agenda and further details will be announced soon.

### Educational Developers Meeting (closed meetings)

Professor Mariëtte van den Hoven will step down from chairing the **Educational Developers Meetings** in 2024. Dr Giulia Inguaggiato (Amsterdam UMC) has been appointed as the new chair and will work closely with the NRIN Coordinator to schedule periodic meetings and discuss new initiatives and goals for the group.



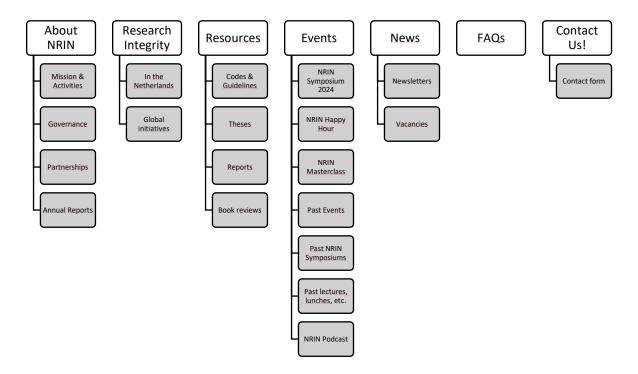
#### Communication

#### Website

The **NRIN** <u>webpage</u> will continue centralising all information related to NRIN's activities and events.

In 2024, a new website layout (see below the layout of the main menu and sub-menus) and platform will be implemented. The new layout has an intertwined approach: 1) structure the information about NRIN's activities, events, resources and team; 2) facilitate access to such information, acknowledging NRIN's mission and efforts to promote research integrity in the Dutch scientific community and internationally.

The new NRIN webpage will be developed in WordPress to facilitate the daily management of content.



The "Mission & Activities" sub-menu will outline the diversity of activities promoted by NRIN, including details about open and closed meetings.

The NRIN website will also display any partnerships established with other organisations and networks (e.g. <u>African Network for Research Integrity</u>, <u>Asia Pacific Research Integrity</u> Network, UKRIO) by showing their logos and other relevant information. This



endorsement will be a practical result of the Satellite Meeting of Research Integrity Networks, which will occur during the World Conference on Research Integrity in Athens (see the International Meetings section).

#### Social Media

NRIN's X, LinkedIn, and YouTube social media channels will continue to promote NRIN's activities and events. The LinkedIn channel was created in November 2023 to bring visibility to NRIN, connect with relevant stakeholders and promote our activities to other networks (e.g. ENRIO, WCRI, NERQ). The LinkedIn page was also created to facilitate the dissemination of news and engage with Dutch Universities.

The YouTube channel will continue to host the recordings from the NRIN Happy Hour and other lectures and events in 2024 (e.g., NRIN Masterclass and NRIN Symposium 2024). The link to the recordings will be added to the dedicated page within the NRIN webpage and disseminated through X and LinkedIn.

We aim to keep the NRIN social media active, relevant and engaging to the scientific community and attract attention to anyone interested in the topics of research integrity, research ethics, responsible conduct in research, open science, etc. For this reason, a post or retweet of interesting resources, activities, or events from the community is planned to occur every two days. For the NRIN Happy Hour, the promotion of each webinar is planned to take place at least three weeks before the date of the webinar. This will work as reminders about each webinar with the link for registration included in the dissemination post to maximise participation. We will also tag relevant stakeholders and networks to maximise event participation. Finally, we will work closely with our institutional contacts to disseminate information about our events.

We will share announcements of calls, resources and relevant events from sister organisations (i.e. other Research Integrity Networks) through our social media channels. This will be another effective outcome of the Satellite Meeting of Research Integrity Networks during the World Conference on Research Integrity.

### Newsletter

We will continue using the free Mailchimp version to develop our newsletter. In 2024, the <u>NRIN Newsletters</u> will be disseminated every two months. The NRIN Newsletter will feature announcements of the activities and events organised by the network or in



partnership with other organisations. The newsletters will also raise attention to events from third parties relevant to the community.

We currently have 917 subscribers to the NRIN Newsletter. We aim to maximise this number to reach anyone interested in responsible research practices. We will do this by periodically inviting stakeholders to sign up for our newsletter through our social media.

# Calendar of events 2024

	Date	Location	Details
NRIN Happy Hour - Integrating Open and Reproducible Research Practices into Academic	8 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Zoom	Registration
culture one educational resource at a time, by Dr Flávio Azevedo (Groningen University)	16:00 – 17:00 CET		
NRIN Happy Hour - Leaving academia: PhD attrition and unhealthy research environments,	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Zoom	Registration
by Andrea Kis (Eindhoven University of Technology)	16:00 – 17:00 CET		
National Research Ethics Meeting - 'Research ethics across scientific disciplines, by NETHICS & NRIN	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 12:30 – 17:00 CET	Utrecht Science Park	Registration
<b>CWI Meeting (closed meeting)</b> , chaired by Dr Yvonne Erkens (Leiden University)	26 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 14:00 – 17:00 CET	Huize Molenaa r, Utrecht	Agenda to follow
WI Policy Staff meeting (closed meeting), chaired by Dorien van der Schot (VU) & Dr Bob Siegerink (Leiden UMC)	3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2024 13:00 – 14:30 CEST	Universit y of Twente	Agenda to follow
NRIN Masterclass - Research Integrity and Open Science: initiatives, challenges and needs	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2024  Professor Emeritus  Lex Bouter	VU	In partnership with the Erasmus+ ETHICS & Horizon Europe CATALISI projects
NRIN Happy Hour - Lessons learned: How to navigate the field of research integrity as a PhD – a panel discussion with PhD students, by Iris Lechner (VU PhD student), Cristian Mesquida (Eindhoven University of Technology PhD student) & Tom van Drimmelen (Leiden UMC, PhD Student)	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 16:00 – 17:00 CEST	Zoom	Registration
VP Training by Claartje van Sijl	15 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 10:00 – 13:00 CEST	Utrecht	Agenda to follow
WI VP Meeting, chaired by Professor Bert Theunissen (Utrecht University)	15 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 14:00 – 16:00 CEST	Utrecht	Agenda to follow



NRIN Happy Hour - Ethics of using Al in research,	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Zoom	Registration
by Dr Mohammad Hosseini (Northwestern			
University, USA)	16:00 - 17:00 CEST		
8 <sup>th</sup> World Conference on Research Integrity	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Athens, Greece	<u>Website</u>
NRIN Happy Hour - Towards a Research Integrity Culture at Universities – from Recommendations to Implementation, by Ton Hol (Utrecht University) & Inge Lerouge (KU Leuven)	27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Zoom	Registration to follow
NRIN Masterclass - Questionable Research Practices and Grey Zones, NRIN & NLRN	ТВС	Universit y of Groninge n	Details to follow
NRIN Happy Hour – PREPARED project, by Dr Natalie Evans (Amsterdam UMC) & Dr Giulia Inguaggiato (Amsterdam UMC)	12 <sup>th</sup> September 2024 16:00 – 17:00 CEST	Zoom	Registration to follow
NRIN Happy Hour – Reproducibility topic, by Dr Michiel de Boer (NLRN)	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 16:00 – 17:00 CET	Zoom	Registration to follow
NRIN Symposium 2024	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 09:00 – 18:00 CET	Geerterk erk, Utrecht	Details to follow
NRIN Happy Hour - RI Confidential counsellors: role, challenges and needs — Panel discussion, by tbc	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 16:00 – 17:00 CET	Zoom	Registration to follow
NRIN Happy Hour – Responsible Supervision, by Dr Tamarinde Haven (Tilburg University)	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 16:00 – 17:00 CET	Zoom	Registration to follow