



Seventh Framework Programme



ORCID meets SSH Workshops at the University of Barcelona

Achieving impact is a growing demand from society to science and to scientists. However, this information had not yet been systematically gathered and registered in a unique open source. This has led the IMPACT-EV consortium to launch SIOR (Social Impact Open Repository) becoming the first open worldwide registry on social impact.

SIOR contributes to unveil many social impacts of a wide diversity of researchers unknown before by society at large. Citizens, institutions and funding agencies find in SIOR both a general landscape and very concrete evidence of research endeavors which have had social impact. Within SIOR, researchers or research institutions describe the social impact of their scientific work and provide the evidence of this impact (i.e. institutional report, publication, legislation, website, dataset, press release, etc.). SIOR also allows researchers to link their social impacts to research institutions, funders, and [ORCID](#) researcher ID.

SIOR drives the transformation of scientific research by responding to the open demand of measurable parameters of social improvements. SIOR does not only provide a description of the evidence of social impact, but also to show contributions, that may become a useful tool for researchers to improve the impact of their current and future studies. Thus, SIOR helps boost the transformation of scientific research, developing a resource that enables viewing and valuing social improvements deriving from research projects.

Share your impact in SIOR: <http://www.ub.edu/sior/sior.php>



Report 1. State of the art in the scientific, policy and social impact of SSH research and its evaluation

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What do we know about the scientific, political and social impact of SSH research?

During the first year of the project, the IMPACT-EV consortium has released “Report 1. 1. State of the art in the scientific, policy and social impact of SSH research and its evaluation from the IMPACT-EV”. Under the supervision of Emanuela Reale (Research Institute on Sustainable Economic Growth IRCrES- CNR) this report summarizes the state of the art of the evaluation of SSH research, specifically accounting for the ways in which scientific, political and social impact are evaluated. The report gathers sources from a wide range of disciplines and perspectives and serves as an overall framework for the further development of the project.

What can we learn from national systems of research evaluation?

The IMPACT-EV consortium has conducted 13 national case studies, nine of them in the EU—UK, Netherlands, Finland, Ireland, France, Germany, Spain, Hungary, and Sweden—and, four outside the EU—US, Brazil, Hong Kong, and Australia. These case studies have involved more than 100 interviews with key persons like high ranked policy-makers and the top responsible of national agencies and ministries for evaluation. Interviews to reviewers and researchers have also been performed. Beyond analyzing of the situation, some of the interviews have already contributed to new collaborations in order to improve the evaluation of SSH research for reinforcing their social impact. During the 2015 the Final report of these national study cases will be made available at the IMPACT-EV website.

IMPACT-EV researchers' views

Check out IMPACT-EV researchers' views on the evaluation of the SSH research.

Link: <http://vimeo.com/92500509>



Evaluating the impacts of FP funded projects

Do the SSH projects funded under Framework Programme achieve a scientific impact? Have the results of these researches been used to inform European, national or local policies? Have they been taken by civil society organizations as the basis of their own interventions and programmes? In which ways do they contribute to the goals of the EU2020 Agenda? Until which extent these projects have contributed to improve the lives of people living in Europe? How do the projects promote the European Research Area?

Through a questionnaire to more than 450 projects, analysis of available reports and interviews to researchers we have done an exhaustive mapping of the impacts and developments of SSH research in the 7th Framework Programme (especially in Cooperation) and also in the last call of the 6th Framework Programme and in a sample of projects from Health and Energy with SSH embedded. As a result of this evaluation, several success stories will be identified in every impact domain (social, political, scientific and in the ERA). We thank very much all the researchers who are collaborating in the research and hope to share the report with the final results during the 2015.



IMPACT- EV events

Claire Donovan (HERG) participated at the meeting of the Center for the Science of Science and Innovation Policy (CSSIP), held in Brussels, whose main theme was: "Modernising Research Monitoring in Europe: Impact and attention assessment across the research spectrum" <http://cssip.org/login/modernising-research-monitoring-in-europe/>

SEEMIG Project Final Conference. Dragana Avramov (PSPC) presented in Budapest the final assessment of the project, under the title "Capitalization of results and impacts of SEEMIG networking and research", using the IMPACT-EV

approach. <http://seemig.eu/index.php/news-a-events>

EC Experts Workshop held in Brussels titled "Impact and Horizon 2020. Increasing the impact of SSH projects in Horizon 2020". Teresa Sordé (UAB) presented the "Approach and experiences of the IMPACT-EV Project".

EC Workshop held in Brussels titled "Health, demographic change and well-being: perspectives from SSH on research and innovation". Dragana Avramov (PSPC) presented "The quest for more value in research and societal impact"

Emanuela Reale (IRCrES-CNR) co-organized the International Conference on "Science, Innovation and Society: achieving Responsible Research and Innovation" in Rome, during the Italian presidency of the Council of the European Union, supported by the European Commission. More details at: <http://www.sis-rri-conference.eu/>

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IMPACT-EV on the Road

ORCID outreach Meeting The next Outreach Meeting of ORCID will be held in Barcelona in May 18-20. Organized together with the IMPACT-EV project, the gathering will be dedicated to social sciences and humanities. See more information about ORCID's previous Outreach Meetings at: <http://orcid.org/about/events>



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