



Press Release:

ORCID and WDS Partner to support reuse of research data

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[ORCID](#) and the ICSU World Data System ([ICSU-WDS](#)) share a common interest in improving how we share research information. ORCID empowers researchers and the institutions that support them to make trusted digital connections between researchers and their works and affiliations. WDS promotes universal and equitable access to, and long-term stewardship of, quality-assured scientific data and data services, products, and information across a broad range of disciplines.

Our organizations met during [International Data Week](#) in Denver to discuss opportunities of collaboration and were able to identify several areas of convergence: using persistent identifiers for datasets to enable discoverability; promoting use of ORCID in [dataset deposit workflows](#) to enable citation; and working together on promulgating [certification schemes](#) for data repositories.

‘WDS promotes the use of persistent identifiers for datasets through certification of data repositories and is now looking forward improve adoption of PIDs for people and in particular ORCID’ said Mustapha Mokrane, Executive Director of ICSU-WDS.

Given their shared objectives, the organizations have agreed to enter into a formal partnership, the ultimate goal of which is to build levels of trust to enable sharing of research data.

Laure Haak, Executive Director of ORCID, stated that ‘I am looking forward to productive conversations with WDS about identifiers, attribution, resolution, and access.’

For more information, see the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) describing the partnership.

ORCID

[ORCID](#)’s vision is a world where all who participate in research and innovation, from imagining to building and managing, are uniquely identified and connected to their contributions across disciplines, and borders, and time. ORCID provides an identifier for individuals to use with their name as they engage in research, scholarship, and innovation activities. We provide open tools that enable transparent and trustworthy connections between researchers, their contributions, and affiliations. We provide this service to help people find information and to simplify reporting and analysis.

ICSU World Data System

[ICSU-WDS](#) is a membership organization committed to improve the trustworthiness of scientific data services by fostering the compliance with international and agreed-upon community standards, increasing data accessibility and the sustainability of scientific data infrastructures. WDS promotes universal and equitable access to quality- assessed scientific data, data services, products, and information covering a broad range of disciplines from the Natural and Social Sciences, and Humanities. Accredited WDS Regular and Network Members have a national or international remit for scientific.

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For more information on ICSU-WDS:

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