



19TH TO 25TH SEPTEMBER 2016

Theme:
**Recognition
for review**

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Recognition for Review is focus for Peer Review Week 2016

To honor and celebrate peer review, a group of organizations is working collaboratively to plan a week of activities and events. The group is delighted to announce that the second annual Peer Review Week will run from September 19- 25, 2016.

This year's theme is **Recognition for Review**, exploring all aspects of how those participating in review activity – in publishing, grant review, conference submissions, promotion and tenure, and more – should be recognized for their contribution.

Planned activities include virtual and in-person events including webinars, videos, interviews and social media activities designed to improve understanding of the principle of peer review and how it is practiced within the scholarly community. A list of events is available [here](#), and throughout the week many organizations will join in with additional activities.

The Peer Review Week website also features a list of online resources to advance our understanding of peer review and its role in 21st century scholarship.

The idea for the first Peer Review Week, held in 2015, grew out of informal conversations between [ORCID](#), [ScienceOpen](#), [PRE \(Peer Review Evaluation\)](#), [Sense About Science](#), and [Wiley](#), the organizations that planned and launched the initiative in 2015.

In 2016, over 20 organizations are signed on to the Peer Review Week organizing committee. Coordinating efforts enables us to share widely and powerfully the message that good peer review, whatever shape or form it might take, is critical to scholarly communications.

“I am absolutely delighted that last year's first - very small and experimental - Peer Review Week generated such support and enthusiasm from the community that we will be celebrating it again in 2016,” commented Peer Review Week Chairperson Alice Meadows. “Our much expanded planning committee represents a broader and deeper cross-section of organizations involved in peer review, and our theme of peer review recognition should resonate equally with reviewers and the organizations they are reviewing for - associations, funders, publishers, research institutions, and others. I hope that Peer Review Week 2016 will bring all stakeholders together to celebrate the importance of good peer review to all forms of scholarly communications.”

For more information, and to get involved with Peer Review Week activities, visit www.peerreviewweek.org and follow #PeerRevWk16 and #RecognizeReview

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