

## MEDIA RELEASE Wednesday 18 May 2022 UK Research Integrity Office announces new four-year strategy

We are pleased to announce new long-term goals for the UK Research Integrity Office (UKRIO) following an in-depth strategic planning process that included consultation of our subscriber organisations and other service users. <u>Our new strategy</u> is based on insights gathered through that process, developments in the research integrity landscape and the changing needs of the research community.

<u>Professor Sir Ian Boyd</u>, Chair of UKRIO said: "UKRIO has achieved a great deal in recent years but there is always more to do to support good research practice and a healthy research culture. UKRIO is the principal expert source of best practice for UK research integrity and this new strategy sets out how we will continue to be a high-profile champion and critical friend of researchers and institutions, with a commitment to support continual improvement."

Building on UKRIO's considerable successes to date, this strategy sets out our vision and objectives for 2022-2025 to fulfil our charity's mission. Our vision is that through our activities, the UK research community is supported to produce work of the highest integrity, quality and efficacy.

We will be giving more details on our work programme to deliver our strategy in the coming weeks, including updates for our subscriber organisations. We're taking on new staff to help us deliver our operational plan and will be deepening our relationships with our volunteers and the wider research community. We will also be strengthening our existing collaborations with other bodies working on issues of research integrity, as well as forging new ones.

Download our new strategy for 2022-25 here: <u>https://ukrio.org/wp-content/uploads/UKRIO-</u> Strategy-2022-25-web-version.pdf

## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

**1. About UKRIO:** The UK Research Integrity Office (<u>www.ukrio.org</u>) is the UK's most experienced research integrity organisation. A registered charity, we were created in response to longstanding and growing concerns about the reliability of research. Since 2006, we have provided independent, expert and confidential support to help enhance good research practice, address mistakes, questionable practices and fraud, and improve the culture and systems of UK research.

We pursue these aims through a multi-faceted approach:

• Education – guidance and support through publications on research practice, training activities and a comprehensive events programme



- Sharing best practice clear and honest development for the research community through facilitated discussions about key issues, informing national and international initiatives, and working to improve research culture.
- **Expert guidance** confidential and expert advice and guidance, as a proactive service for both institutions and individual researchers, as well as in response to requests for assistance.

We cover all disciplines of research, from the arts and humanities to the life sciences, and all research sectors: higher education, the NHS, private sector organisations and charities. No other organisation in the UK has comparable expertise in providing such support in the field of research integrity. <u>Over 100 research organisations subscribe to UKRIO</u>, including most of the Russell Group of universities.

**2. New four-year strategy:** Download our new strategy for 2022-25 here <u>https://ukrio.org/wp-content/uploads/UKRIO-Strategy-2022-25-web-version.pdf</u>

**3. Further information:** to discuss our new strategy or to learn more about UKRIO and our work, please contact us on +44 (0)20 3828 1325 or via <u>info@ukrio.org</u>.

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