



## PEERE Newsletter (21st December 2015)

This is the newsletter of TD1306 COST Action PEERE "New frontiers of peer review" ([www.peere.org](http://www.peere.org))

### News

Michail Kovanis, Raphaël Porcher, Philippe Ravaud and Ludovic Trinquart published "Complex systems approach to scientific publication and peer-review system: development of an agent-based model calibrated with empirical journal data" in SCIENTOMETRICS on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs11192-015-1800-6>

A group of scientists from Romania lead by Răzvan Valentin Florian (Epistemio, see <http://florian.io/>) will join the Action soon. This will increase the number of COST Countries reached by the Action to 31.

These are the COST countries still unreached by PEERE: Cyprus, Iceland, Latvia, Luxembourg, Montenegro and Turkey. If you know colleagues from those countries who could be potentially interested to join PEERE, please feel free to contact them and present them the Action. In case they are interested to join us, make them contact the Action Chair for detail.

The videos of the invited talks by Elizabeth Moylan, Andrew Preston and Tim Vines at the recent PEERE Workshop in Athens have been published on the PEERE Website. Have a look at [www.peere.org](http://www.peere.org)

### PEERE Upcoming Meetings

PEERE Workshop on "*The role of peer review and open access in university knowledge dissemination and evaluation*", co-located with Annual EA 2016 Conference on Innovating the Gutenberg Galaxis, Academy of Science & Literature, Mainz 26-27 January 2016 (see <http://www.ea-aw.org/peerreview2016>). Invited speakers: Paul Wouters (University of Leiden), Joshua Nicholson (Winnover, NY), Jeffrey Beall (University of Colorado) and Birgit Schmidt (University of Goettingen). From PEERE: Ana Marusic, Flaminio Squazzoni, Petra Ahrweiler and Julijana Angelovska.

WG, MC and Workshop on Simulation of social processes of science, Valencia, Spain, 8-11 March 2016 (save the date, info soon)

We are planning a PEERE session at the 13th EASE Conference, 10-12 June 2016, Strasbourg, France (see. <http://www.ease.org.uk/ease-events/13th-ease-conference-strasbourg-france>). Info soon.

**Please, If you wish to host a PEERE meeting during the last Grant Period (2016-2018), please contact [info@peere.org](mailto:info@peere.org) for detail**

## News from PEERE STSMs

Plans for one/two STSMs in Brussels to study the peer review process at COST Association. We would need an ESR (except from Belgium) with both qualitative and quantitative expertise (data analysis and interviews). If you are interested, please contact the Action Chair as soon as possible.

## PEERE peer-reviewed (what else?) recent publications

Kovanis, M., Porcher, R., Ravaud, P., & Trinquart, L. Complex systems approach to scientific publication and peer-review system: development of an agent-based model calibrated with empirical journal data. *Scientometrics*, 1-21 (open access):

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs11192-015-1800-6>

Bianchi, F and Squazzoni F. (2015) Is three better than one? Simulating the effect of reviewer selection and behavior on the quality and efficiency of peer review. Yilmaz L. et al. (eds.), *Proceedings of the 2015 Winter Simulation Conference*. A copy here:

<http://www.peere.org/2015/12/21/federico-bianchi-and-flaminio-squazzoni-2015-is-three-better-than-one-simulating-the-effect-of-reviewer-selection-and-behavior-on-the-quality-and-efficiency-of-peer-review-yilmaz-l-et-al-eds/>

Casnici N., Grimaldo F., Gilbert N. and Squazzoni F. (2015) Attitudes of referees in a multidisciplinary journal: An empirical analysis, *JASIST (Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology)*, forthcoming

## PEERE Dissemination

PEERE has been showcased at [21st International Congress on Modelling and Simulation \(MODSIM2015\)](#) in Queensland, Australia on 29 November-4 December 2015 by Virginia Dignum and at [WSC Winter Simulation Conference 2015](#) in Huntington Beach, California on 6-9 December 2015 by Flaminio Squazzoni

Join the new PEERE Facebook group (PEERE new frontiers of peer review:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1663165473900417/>) and the new PEERE Twitter account ([@PEERe\\_REVIEW](#)) and spread the voice within your FB and Twitter contacts.

The Action website will soon include a richer interaction with the social media PEERE profiles, including regularly hosting posts related to peer review, polls, and links to articles, reports, etc. if you want to propose short posts to be published and polls on various issues related to peer review, please, contact the Dissemination Coordinator (Marco Seeber: [Marco.Seeber@UGent.be](mailto:Marco.Seeber@UGent.be)).

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