



## Generation R: new online platform launched for Open Science discourse

11 June 2018: The Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0 launched the online platform 'Generation R'. It is conceived of as a meeting place for the new generation of researchers that wants to shape the future of an open scholarly system in the digital age.

The digital transformation of scholarly systems has a huge impact on the way researchers pursue their daily research practices. Furthermore, many initiatives, projects and events show that there is a growing community which determines the future of science by Open Science practices. In this context of emerging digital tools and changing research workflows many researchers seek further exchange and discourse.

'Generation R' (R = researcher) is a new online platform that aims to encourage knowledge sharing and discourse about an open scholarly system in the digital age. The editorial focus is to take a 'needs based approach' to researchers. The aim is to look for conceptual and practical solutions that the wider community can use, refine and spread. Generation R especially addresses researchers who want to explore new ways of research with digital tools and believe open practices make science better.

The platform will run a series of editorial themes to provide quick updates about new tools and ways of researching. The launch theme will be 'Software Citation' for research, with the next themes planned as 'The Decentralized Web' and 'Citizen Science'. The editorial format is to run blog posts and use collaborative authoring tools and consultations to further community participation and discourse.

Generation R is a platform by the Leibniz-Research Alliance Science 2.0. It is supported with funding by the Leibniz Association. Contributions, collaboration, suggestions, and feedback are very welcome!

Generation R: <u>http://genr.eu</u> More about Generation R: <u>http://genR.eu/wp/about</u> Find us on Twitter: <u>@Gen\_R\_</u> <u>Contact</u>: Simon Worthington (Editor) Open Science Lab TIB - German National Library of Science and Technology Welfengarten 1B, 30167 Hannover, Germany T: +49 511 762-14691 E: <u>simon@genr.eu</u>

About Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0:

The transdisciplinary Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0 is a unique coalition of infrastructure service providers and research institutes from different disciplines. It examines the changes in the science system related to Science 2.0 and Open Science. The key research activities concentrate on "New working habits", "Technological development" and "User behavior research".

The research alliance is incorporated within the Leibniz Association and currently counts 38 members. The coordinating institution is ZBW – Leibniz Information Centre for Economics.

More information: <u>http://www.leibniz-science20.de/en/</u>