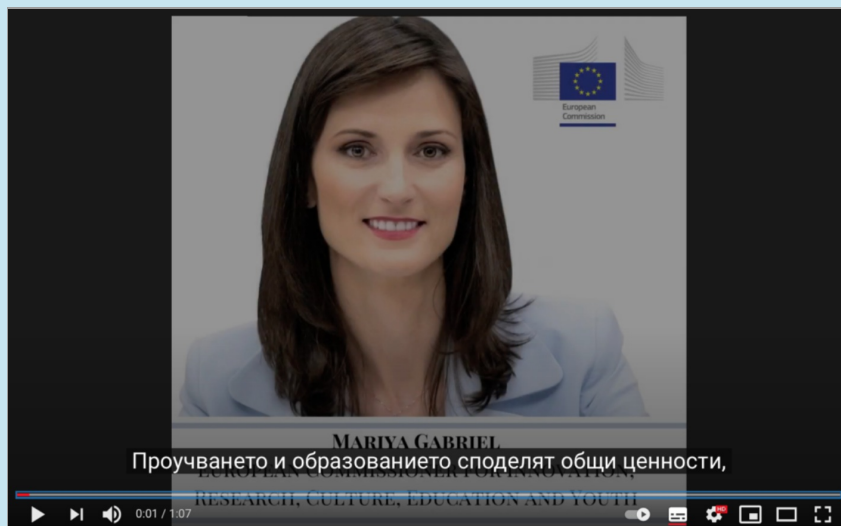




## Path2Integrity Newsletter: Issue 3

### Path2Integrity has been supported by the European Commissioner Mariya Gabriel

In times of uncertainty, the coherence of responsible research is ever more important. It is vital that this process is aligned with the principles for research integrity, namely reliability, honesty, respect and accountability. Mariya Gabriel from the European Commission and 25 outstanding international role models support this very important topic by speaking up for good scientific practice and by using their image and scientific credentials. This action serves as motivation that if united, the society will combat the current challenges in the best way possible.



[Watch the video](#)

### Path2Integrity at the European University Association (EUA) Thematic Workshop

The annual [European University Association \(EUA\) Thematic Workshop](#) was focused on artificial intelligence (AI), data management and the digital world of doctoral education. The event took place on 21-22 January in an entirely online environment. More than 260 participants gathered to discuss the emerging issues related to digitalisation in doctoral education. Within the excellent team of educators was Path2Integrity's project coordinator - Prof. Julia Priess-Buchheit.

## Collaborative Methods to Teach Research Integrity



2021 EUA-CDE THEMATIC WORKSHOP - Session IV  
Prof. Dr. Julia Prieß-Buchheit, Path2Integrity Coordinator

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## #Path2Integrity launched two videos highlighting the project's central outputs

In the face of today's complex challenges, society more than ever needs honest and trustworthy research. In recent years, the EU-funded project Path2Integrity has developed a freely usable programme that can be easily implemented by secondary & high school students and teachers, as well as higher education organisations.



[Watch video for high school students](#)

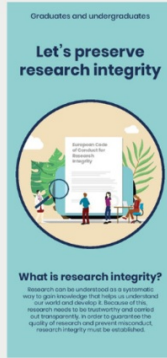
Making the project's outputs more visible to public, Path2Integrity has created two short videos, highlighting our central ideas and materials. The productions are specifically tailored for the respective target groups - school & high school students and teachers, and higher education organisations.



[Watch video for higher education](#)

## 25 leading researchers join EU-funded actions to teach students about trustworthy science

Path2Integrity supports a culture that values honest, reliable, respectful, and accountable science and raises awareness of the principles of research integrity across Europe. The actions, supported by a group of twenty-five (25) international science leaders, recognize the importance that trustworthy scientific information plays in society.



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## How to handle Plagiarism in Universities of Applied Sciences

To plagiarise is one of the pitfalls students can come across in their studies. A few cases in Germany demonstrate that some students never learn the right way. Some renowned politicians had to step down because experts found that they plagiarised in their PhD thesis.

In an interview for the Neue Presse Coburg, Path2Integrity coordinator Prof. Julia Priß-Buchheit discussed students' plagiarism and how universities of applied sciences lead students on the path to write original thesis.

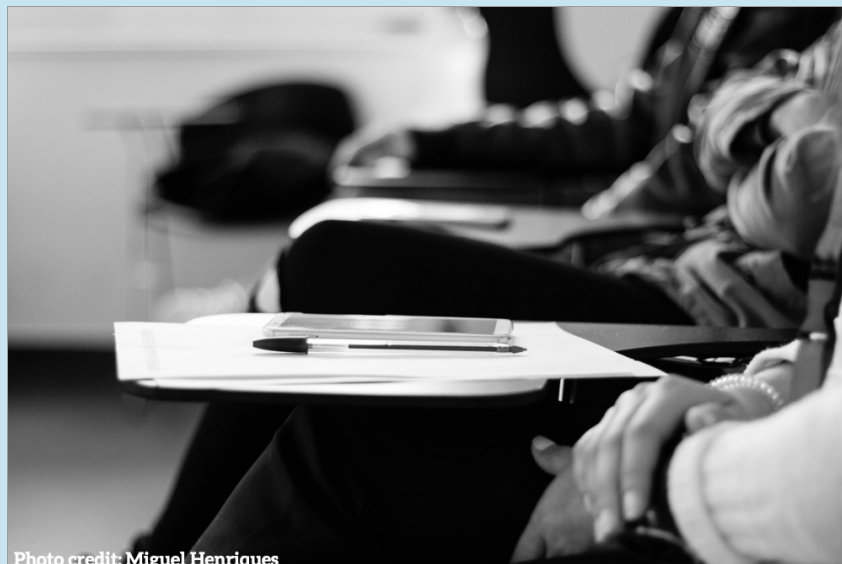


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## First European-wide P2I action against Fake News and for reliable information

One of the recent Path2Integrity actions has been an enormous success. The Europe-wide digital event was organised by Path2Integrity's training centre, Katharina Miller (3C Compliance, Spain).

The dedicated topic of the workshop was how to distinguish reliable from fake information. High school students reflected their knowledge and skills in discussion with the European Parliament's vice-president, Rainer Wieland.

# In your academic work, verify your sources



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Do not become the messenger of misinformation.



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## Path2Integrity organised worldwide workshops on research integrity related topics

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Each workshop has been attended by more than 300 people from all around the world and were tailored for three specific target groups, namely students at the age of 16 to 22, university students and PhD students. All of the participants received certificates for successfully completing the workshops, exclusively signed from the European Commission.

Throughout the sessions, Path2Integrity's team tackled the important issues of Research procedures in experiments for high school, Research on research subjects and GDPR and Collaborative research for PhD students.



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**Path2Integrity has been featured in the  
Project Repository Journal (PRj)**

The Path2Integrity campaign on research integrity and trustworthy science has  
been featured in the Project Repository Journal (PRj), which is the European  
dissemination media agency's (EDMA) flagship open access publication  
dedicated to showcasing funded science and research throughout Europe.

# Informal learning settings to foster a culture of research integrity—the Path2Integrity campaign<sup>1</sup>

Julia Priess-Buchheit and Alexander Gerber  
Coburg University of Applied Sciences and Arts &  
Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences

on behalf of the Path2Integrity Consortium and the International Experts Advisory Board

Violations and threats to reliable research endanger science and society. Therefore, it is of utmost importance to create and safeguard excellent and responsible research practices. The informal learning settings from Path2Integrity concentrate on how to handle and reduce intentional misconduct, led by personal ambitions and benefits or by high publication demands, as well as unintentional misconduct, evoked by unawareness of the rules or cultural differences and scientific conduct with new techniques, ranging outside the current frame of standardised handling (Priess-Buchheit et al. 2020). The so-called Path2Integrity campaign fosters a research system and a research community characterised by the following fundamental principles: trustworthiness, honesty, respect, and accountability (ECC, 2017).



In videos, leaflets, posters and booklets, the Path2Integrity campaign raises awareness of the benefits of research honesty and trustworthiness. It contributes to establishing a culture of research integrity, foremost in students and researchers' next generation. Path2Integrity explored different aspects of perception in the design process by collecting statements from

researchers, politicians, industry, and citizens. Bourgeois-Doye et al. (2020, p.7) describe these collected aspects as follows: "There is good recognition that research results do inform and influence the creation of public policies. However, recognising that scientific research is only one source of information and one consideration when formulating policies and that it competes with other issues such as political or economic conditions, there appears to be a desire for research results to have a stronger, faster way on policy development. In terms of the roles that researchers play, it is safe to say that science is broadly viewed as a key pillar of society and that researchers are playing a critical role. Here is an example of that sentiment expressed by one of the respondents in [the] study: 'We are

within the fourth Industrial revolution, thanks to researchers and scientists. They are an important contribution in order to make this place a better place: eliminating deadly diseases, progressing against climate change, bring[ing] equality to nations and between genders, etc.' (p.7)

Researchers learn from each other for professional knowledge in their scientific disciplines and look up to high ethical attitudes and standards. Researchers social learning is one reason why the P2I campaign relies on role models to help shape future generations of scientists. Twenty-five outstanding international researchers support the campaign by lending their images and scientific credentials to emphasise quality safeguards within the research. These role models raise young people's awareness of their responsibility and show them essential research principles.

The campaign carries four key messages which emphasise the central importance of research integrity and research ethics:

1. Research integrity is the "quality safeguard" of science and technology, the social sciences and the humanities.
  - a. It ensures that research design, methodology, analysis and use of resources are done properly.
  - b. It ensures that reporting and communicating research and its results is done transparently, fairly and without bias.
  - c. It fosters respect towards colleagues, research subjects, environment and culture.

2. Research integrity protects the reputation and careers of researchers and research organisations.

- a. Following, learning and teaching ethical standards in research ensures public trust in researchers' work and results.
- b. Assuring that RI principles are followed, learned and taught in a research organisation gives it the respectability and credibility needed to earn funding.

3. Research integrity contributes to social progress by building trust and accountability in science, technology, the social sciences and the humanities.

- a. It ensures respect, accountability and reliability.
- b. It combats bad research and negative impacts.

4. Research integrity prevents the waste of money, time and effort.

- a. Learning and applying research integrity principles and practices ensures that projects are well managed.
- b. Learning and applying research integrity principles and practices ensures that work is accepted and can be used by others.

The Path2Integrity Campaign shows clear messages on expected professional and ethical standards and explains why they are important. All material take social misrepresentations into account and include gender equality as a principle. The campaign aims to affect researchers' professional careers, affect research organisations, affect relationships within the research community, and affect relationships with society as a whole.

<sup>1</sup> This short summary is based on the Path2Integrity deliverables 2.1 and 2.2 and may contain single unmarked sentences from these deliverables.

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Read the full article (p.26)

## Path2Integrity has been featured in the Edukacja journal

Institute for Educational Research (IBE)'s journal *Edukacja* has published a special issue in which Path2Integrity is being showcased. Along with the rest of the insightful articles on research integrity-related topics, the journal has included pieces conducted by IBE project partners dr. Katarzyna Kalinowska, dr. Agnieszka Koterwas and dr. Agnieszka Dwojak-Matras, as well as Path2Integrity's coordinator Prof. Dr. Julia Priess-Buchheit.

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## **A chapter on Path2Integrity has been included in the Polish book Utopia A Edukacja**

As a result of the carried out research within Path2Integrity, the project partners dr. Katarzyna Kalinowska, dr. Agnieszka Koterwas and dr. Agnieszka Dwojak-Matras have presented the chapter "Teaching Research Integrity as the pursuit of utopia. Strategies for the development of Research Integrity Culture at Universities" in the Polish Utopia A Edukacja book.

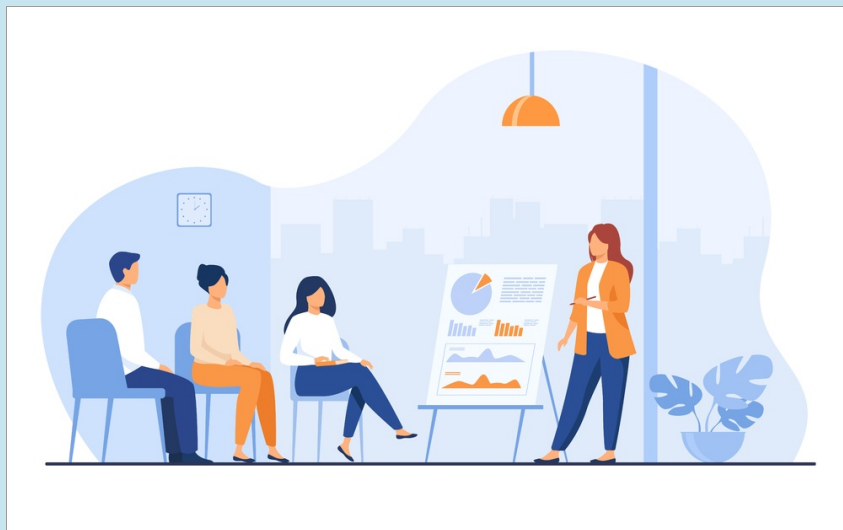


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## Comming up next

### Path2Integrity is attending the Abraham Kuyper Center's Summer Seminar on Research Integrity

The [Abraham Kuyper Center \(AKC\)](#) is organising a summer seminar on research integrity, which will be held on 25 to 27 August 2021 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The seminar will be focusing on investigating the progress reports and future directions of research integrity. The event will host a number of keynote lectures, one of which is to be given by the Path2Integrity project coordinator Prof. Julia Priess-Buchheit.



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