CALL: Science with and for Society 2020

☐ I offer my expertise to participate as a Partner in a Project

☐ I am planning to coordinate a project and I am looking for Project Partners

### Topics

#### Strategic orientation 1. Accelerating and catalysing processes of institutional change

- SwafS-08-2019: Research innovation needs & skills training in PhD programmes
- SwafS-23-2020: Grounding RRI in society with a focus on citizen science
- SwafS-24-2020: Science education outside the classroom

#### Strategic orientation 2. Stepping up support to Gender Equality in Research & Innovation policy

- SwafS-09-2018-2019-2020: Supporting research organisations to implement gender equality plans
- SwafS-25-2020: Gender-based violence including sexual harassment in research organisations and universities
- SwafS-26-2020: Innovators of the future: bridging the gender gap

#### Strategic orientation 3. Building the territorial dimension of SwafS partnerships


#### Strategic orientation 4. Exploring and supporting citizen science

- SwafS-27-2020: Hands-on citizen science and frugal innovation
- SwafS-28-2020: The ethics of organoids
- SwafS-29-2020: The ethics of technologies with high socio-economic impact
- SwafS-30-2020: Responsible Open Science: an ethics and integrity perspective

#### Strategic orientation 5. Building the knowledge base for SwafS

- SwafS-31-2020: Bottom-up approach to build SwafS knowledge base

1) **PROJECT INFORMATION**

**Field of expertise related to the topic:** Dr Niki Nearchou is an Assistant Professor at the University College Dublin (UCD) and has been recently awarded the prestigious Ad Astra Fellowship. Her research focuses on examining health and social inequalities in youth and adults from a health and social well-being perspective. Niki has generated and disseminated research in the area of child abuse and neglect including domestic violence. She currently participates in an interdisciplinary project aiming to monitor and combat online hate-speech including misogyny online and hate speech based on gender-related grounds. She is also a member of a team working on discrimination against minorities in Ireland. Niki was the Principal Investigator of a funded project on examining sexual health attitudes in the LGBTQ+ individuals in Ireland. She was worked as a Research Fellow at
a European Interreg funded project on delivering for prevention-treatment of mental health disorders and health incidents in disadvantaged women. She served as a member of the Gender Equality and Inclusion Committee at the Athena-Swan Bronze award application of the School of Psychology (UCD). The Athena SWAN Charter is a recognition and award scheme for positive gender practice in Higher Education, promoting administered by the UK’s Equality Challenge Unit (ECU). Niki actively participates in implementing campaigns to raise awareness against gender inequalities and hate speech in academia.

**Potential contribution to the project:** Niki can offer her expertise in sophisticated methodologies in behavioural sciences including diverse research designs (qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods research) and analytical techniques particularly involving statistical model building. She has rich experience in generating evidence-based research used to implement policy and in evaluating intervention programs through experimental designs.

Niki can offer expertise in designing and implementing interventions offering stakeholders with tools and resources to monitor and combat sexual harassment and gender-based violence. She can organize and deliver campaigns and university wide actions on raising awareness within academia including staff, students and researchers at all levels on sexual harassment and GBV.

Niki maintains a wide network of interdisciplinary collaborators in Ireland that can offer expertise in sexual harassment and GBV from different perspectives (e.g. legal, sociological, educational)

**Role in the project:**
- ☒ Research
- ☒ Training
- ☒ Dissemination
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Technology Development

**Project idea:** Identify and examine the extent of GBV and sexual harassment (including forms of hate speech) in European universities and research institutions; use evidence-based knowledge to develop prevention and intervention plans for raising awareness and tackling GBV and sexual harassment in research organisations and universities

**Project description:**

Already experience as a Coordinator: ☐ yes ☒ no
As a Partner: ☐ yes ☒ no

If "yes", which project:

Other partners in consortium already identified (with countries): Cyprus (potential partner)

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**2) TARGET COORDINATOR / PARTNER SOUGHT**

**Organisation details:**
- ☒ Higher education / university
- ☒ Industry / SME
- ☒ Research institution
- ☒ Other
- ☐ NGO
- ☐ Please specify:
- ☒ Education

We are looking for following Expertise / Competencies: Training, Research, Dissemination

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**3) CONTACT DETAILS**

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**Short profile of the Organisation:** University College Dublin is one of Europe’s leading research-intensive universities, where a comprehensive suite of strong disciplines forms the foundation of high quality interdisciplinary research, scholarship and innovation. The University’s research strategy is based on developing multidisciplinary areas where the critical mass of world-class researchers needed to deliver research of global consequence. UCD is ranked within the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide. UCD has a major contractual track record in successive EU Framework Programmes.

**Date:** 16.12.2019

**The offer is valid until:** 10.04.2020

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□ YES □ NO

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