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## Pitch Your Research: 3-Minute Scientific Research Pitch Competition

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As part of International Data Week, we (the 3 Early Career Researcher networks of the hosting organisations, CODATA Connect, WDS ECR Network and RDA Early Career and Engagement IG) are organising a dynamic 3-minute scientific research pitch competition targeted at early career researchers. This event will provide a platform for emerging scientists to showcase their innovative research, enhance their scientific communication skills, and connect with peers and mentors within the global research community.

Participants will have exactly three minutes to present their research idea, methodology, key findings (if applicable), and the potential impact of their work. This time-constrained format will promote clarity, precision, and persuasive communication while offering researchers the opportunity to gain visibility and recognition for their efforts.

| Agenda Item | Time | Details

| Welcome Address | 10 minutes | Welcome from CODATA, WDS & RDA |

| Pitch Block 1 | 15 minutes | 3-minute pitches (5 pitches) |

| Community Voting 1 | 5 minutes | Voting with mobile devices in small groups |

| Introduction of CODATA Connect, WDS ECR Network and RDA Early Career and Engagement IG | 15 minutes | 3 x 5 minute pitches |

| Pitch Block 2 | 15 minutes | 3-minute pitches (5 pitches) |

| Community Voting 2 | 5 minutes | Voting with mobile devices in small groups |

| Networking and Discussion | 30 minutes | Open Networking with Drinks and Snacks while results are developed from the voting |

| Awarding of Prizes | 10 minutes | Awarding of Prizes through representatives of CODATA, WDS & RDA |

Detailed Overview:

1. Introduction (10 minutes):

- Brief overview of the event's objectives and format.
- Explanation of the judging criteria: clarity, innovation, societal impact, and communication skills.
- Introduction of the community judging procedure.

2. 3-Minute Pitch Sessions (Two of 15 minutes each):

- Each participant will deliver a 3-minute pitch about their scientific research.
- The pitch should cover the following:
  - o Research Question: What is the central question or problem being addressed?
  - o Methodology: How is the research being conducted, and what makes it innovative?
  - o Findings/Impact: What are the expected or discovered results, and how could they impact the scientific community or society?

During the Networking and Discussion there will be time to approach the pitching scientists for questions and discussions.

3. Judging & Prize Announcement (10 minutes):

- The organizers will deliberate given the voting results and announce the winners based on the selection of the participants.
- Prizes: Certificates and small prizes will be awarded to the top three participants in recognition of their outstanding research presentations.
  - o 1st Place: Certificate of Excellence for Best Research Pitch.
  - o 2nd Place: Certificate of Recognition for Innovative Research.
  - o 3rd Place: Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Potential.

Objectives:

- To provide early career researchers with an opportunity to present their research ideas concisely and effec-

tively.

- To create a platform for networking, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas among emerging researchers from various disciplines.
- To help researchers enhance their communication skills, particularly in presenting complex scientific concepts to a broad audience.
- To encourage the growth of early career researchers through constructive feedback and recognition.

Target Audience:

- Early career researchers, including PhD students, postdoctoral researchers, and young professionals in the fields of data science, technology, and other related disciplines.

Expected Outcomes:

- Increased visibility and recognition of early career researchers in the global research community and improved CODATA Connect, WDS ECR network and RDA Early Career and Engagement IG participation.
- Improved research communication skills among participants, enabling them to effectively engage with diverse audiences.
- New opportunities for collaboration and networking within the international data science community.
- A valuable and interactive addition to the International Data Week program that fosters professional growth and development.

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