

Promoting Transparency in Social Science Research: Innovation, Collaboration, Impact

December 12-13, 2013 100 Blum Hall, UC Berkeley, CA

AGENDA

Thursday, December 12	
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Registration
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Open Science Framework (OSF): Presentation and Training Johanna Cohoon & Andrew Sallans (Center for Open Science) NB: This session will include hands-on activities. Participants are encouraged to bring their laptop and research files.
6:00 PM – 6:30 PM	Light Refreshments
Friday, December 13	
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Introduction to BITSS and Review of Progress across Fields over the Past Year Ted Miguel (UC Berkeley, CEGA – Economics)
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Disclosure and Pre-specification Maya Petersen (UC Berkeley – Biostatistics)* Rachel Glennerster (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, J-PAL – Economics) Alan Hubbard (UC Berkeley – Biostatistics) Thad Dunning (UC Berkeley – Political Science)
Break	
10:45 AM – 11:45 AM	Open Data and Protection of Research Subjects Brian Nosek (University of Virginia, Center for Open Science – Psychology)* George Alter (University of Michigan, ICPSR – Social Sciences) Greg Tananbaum (ScholarNext Consulting – Academic Consulting) Merce Crosas (Harvard University, IQSS – Data Science)

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM	Lunch	
12:45 PM – 1:45 PM	Replication Stephanie Wykstra (Independent – Academic Consulting)* Allan Dafoe (Yale University – Political Science) Uri Simonsohn (University of Pennsylvania – Psychology) Andrew Moravcsik (Princeton University – Political Science)	
Break		
2:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Changing Behaviors, Norms, and Institutions Cathryn Carson (UC Berkeley, D-Lab – Social Sciences)* Brian Nosek (University of Virginia, Center for Open Science – Psychology) Colin Elman (Syracuse University – Political Science) Donald Green (Columbia University – Political Science) Dan Morgan (Elsevier – Academic Publishing)	
Break		
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Perspectives from Funders Ruth Levine (William and Flora Hewlett Foundation)* Stuart Buck (Laura and John Arnold Foundation) Nancy Lutz (National Science Foundation) Arianna Legovini (World Bank)	
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Action-oriented Closing Session: Discussion of Unresolved Issues and the Way Forward Ted Miguel (UC Berkeley, CEGA – Economics)	
5:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Light Refreshments	

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