# IRAFPA

Institute for Research and Action on Fraud and Plagiarism in Academia

# COMMUNICATE

#### **The Coimbra Colloquium**

Every two years, the International Colloquium in Coimbra, Portugal, enables participants to make a major contribution to strengthening the culture of academic integrity in a friendly and studious atmosphere.

Driven by the spirit of research and action that shapes IRAFPA's mission, we propose themes that define the new frontiers of integrity.

The next Colloquium will take place on June 20-22, 2024.

#### **IRAFPA's LinkedIn**

Every week, 3-minute video capsules filmed during our colloquia enable our speakers and authors to showcase their analyses.

4,000 members of the academic community follow IRAFPA's LinkedIn.

#### **Our Web-TV**

In order to place academic integrity at the heart of knowledge creation and dissemination, IRAFPA's "Knowledge Transfer" unit is organized around the following axes:

- Web-TV talk shows (15 minutes),
- video capsules (3 minutes) featuring experts on critical topics,
- interventions in the media.

#### **Our quarterly newsletter**

Our "Academic Integrity" Newsletter has been published since 2004.

It is the main vehicule for the performative word of Integrity Sciences.

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#### **Summer Schools**

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Drawing on more than 15 years' experience in mediation, expertise and certification, IRAFPA is offering two unique training courses with a strong emphasis on democratic debate. Role-playing plays an important part.

• Summer School 1: **Implementing a culture of academic integrity** Dates: Thursday July 11 and Friday July 12, 2024.

• Summer School 2: **Integrity Advisor** Dates: Monday July 15, 2024 to Wednesday July 17, 2024 at noon.

#### The case method

IRAFPA has a database of over 200 cases highlighting integrity violations. The cases submitted to the academic community for analysis are stylized and anonymized: dates and names are totally fictitious. But our cases could well happen in any country and at any time.

• If the cases are used online: the coherence of the field of actions is induced by the individual responses. It reflects the content of the messages received and is "inhabited" exclusively by quotes from respondents.

• If the cases are used during the Summer Schools, the facilitation techniques are derived from those of theater and the case method, to give participants maximum opportunity for mutual enrichment (group exercises, role-playing, improvisation, video recording, play...).

#### **Mediation**

IRAFPA intervenes at the request of one of its members, whether an individual or an institution, to help them assert their interests and obtain redress when they are the victim of a breach of academic integrity.

IRAFPA's services are as follows:

- 1/ Examination of requests for intervention and referrals.
- 2/Establishment of objective facts: concrete evidence put forward.
- 3/Determination of the consequences for all stakeholders concerned.
- 4/ Proposal of proportionate compensation for damage caused.
- 5/ Letters setting out these elements to all stakeholders.

IRAFPA's approach is benevolent and aims to pacify the communities involved, without yielding anything to the objective and rigorous examination of the facts and indelicate and/or delinquent behavior.

#### **Open access publications**

The aim of the IRAFPA Publications is to create, distribute and promote original publications by IRAFPA and its members.

The IRAFPA Publications are organized into the following committees:

- Editorial Committee
- Scientific Committee
- Review Committee
- Partners of the IRAFPA Publications Unit

Les Cahiers de l'IRAFPA is the scientific journal of IRAFPA, created in 2023. They are published on an open platform based in Switzerland, the www.SOAP2.ch project. They are not published in hard copy.

The journal is part of IRAFPA's project to become a reference in the field of integrity sciences.

The Proceedings of the Coimbra International Colloquium are freely available on the IRAFPA website.

Each author indicates his or her ORCID.

The ten most accomplished papers are published the following year in book form by EMS, Collection Questions de société.

#### **Our latest books**

Our books are published alternately in French and English, thanks to our close collaboration with publishers EMS and Globethics.

• 2024. *The New Boundaries of Academic Integrity* (M. Bergadaà & P. Peixoto, Editors), Research Ethics No. 3, Globethics.

• 2023. *Les nouvelles frontières de l'intégrité académique* (sous la direction de M. Bergadaà), Collection Management & Société, EMS.

• 2023. *Academic Integrity – A Call to Research and Action* (M. Bergadaà & P. Peixoto, Editors), Research Ethics No. 2, Globethics.

• 2021. *L'urgence de l'intégrité académique* (sous la direction de M. Bergadaà & P. Peixoto), Collection Management & Société, EMS.

• 2021. *Academic Plagiarism*, M. Bergadaà, Research Ethics No. 1, Globethics.

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# The role of the Institute

• To create an international, interdisciplinary scientific meeting place to promote democratic debate on academic integrity and fraud.

• To develop theoretical and empirical research in these specific fields.

• Publish collective works, notably through IRAFPA's Publications Department.

• Provide mediation services to assist individuals and legal entities affected by academic fraud or plagiarism.

• Train "Integrity Advisors" in specific skills during its Summer Schools.

• Develop and disseminate a recognized methodology of expertise in academic fraud and plagiarism.

• Organize workshops and papers on the key concepts of its theoretical and empirical corpus on integrity at the Coimbra International Colloquium every two years.

• Issue "Responsible Institution" and "Responsible Doctoral School" institutional certifications.

• Manage a WebTV space and LinkedIn page offering free access to over 75 video capsules and programs dedicated to integrity.

• Publish and distribute the "Academic Integrity" newsletter to over 20,000 subscribers, and maintain a LinkedIn page with over 4,000 followers.

The Institute is independent and has no political or religious affiliations.

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# How to become a member

Membership of the Institute is open to any individual or legal entity interested in achieving the Institute's objectives and committed to its values.

Members of our learned society (a not-for-profit association) contribute to the development and entrenchment of good integrity practices in their direct environment. They promote the implementation of organizational mechanisms for revealing and dealing with academic fraud and plagiarism. They provide the Institute with information useful to its research and actions.

Membership of the Institute is subject to acceptance by the Board and payment of the annual membership fee.

### **Individual members**

Membership fee: 100 EUR/year (or 110 CHF/year) Special rate for doctoral students: 80 EUR/year (ou 90 CHF/year)

# Institutional members

#### • Laboratory or department

Membership fee: 300 EUR/year (or 330 CHF/year) Offer 3 individual memberships + discount on IRAFPA events + mediation support.

# • Institution (University, Faculty, Grande École, National fund or Center, etc.)

Membership fee: 900 EUR/year (or 990 CHF/year) Offer 5 individual memberships + 1 free Summer School + discount on IRAFPA events and certifications + mediation support + publication of the logo on the IRAFPA website.

• Scientific association, Journal or Software publisher

Membership fee: 500 EUR/year (or 550 CHF/year) Discount on IRAFPA events + mediation support + logo publication on the IRAFPA website.

# **Benefactor members and sponsors**

Annual contribution or single donation: minimum 3,000 EUR (or 3,300 CHF).

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