Responsible science – Save the date!

An online seminar Wednesday 21 December 2022

Would you like to develop self-critical skills to help you improve the decisions you need to make about your future research?

Do you want to understand how your research might be misused by others?

Would you like to develop skills to help you communicate your research?

Scientific research does not take place in a vacuum, it always takes place in a broader context. The context for this series of webinars relates to misuse of scientific and technological developments to help make weapons of mass destruction. Many of the skills developed within this webinar series will also be applicable in other areas, such as critical self-evaluation of research and communication of research results to non-specialists. As research funders increasingly ask for consideration of impacts of research to be discussed in research proposals, these skills help improve the quality of such proposals.

Topics under discussion will include science in the context of international security and personal responsibility of scientists in relation to dual-use research Speakers will include eminent practitioners in their fields.

The webinar is designed for post-graduate students, post-doctoral researchers and others in early stages of their academic careers. In addition, undergraduates wishing to enhance relevant skills, as well as academics at later stages of their careers, would be welcomed.

The webinar is being hosted by the Science and Technology Center Ukraine (STCU) and the International Science and Technology Center (ISTC) with funding from the European Union and builds on a successful series held with the STCU in 2021. The programme has been put together by Dr Richard Guthrie (UK), who has many years experience of promoting innovation in scientific research while inhibiting hostile uses, especially in the areas of biological and chemical weapons.

The working language of the seminar will be English.

The webinar will be held on Wednesday 21 December at the following times.

12.00-15.00 Kyiv time 16.00-19.00 Astana time

The duration of the seminar will be 3 hours, including a brief comfort break in the middle.

To register, please contact Maria Espona at: maria.espona@stcu.int

Include in the email your name, affiliation and country.