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NWO Responsible Innovation Newsflash

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Register now for the conference Responsible Innovation. Societal challenges and solutions

The NWO-MVI research programme will organise a special EU presidency 2016 edition of its annual conference on **Friday 10 June 2016** at the **Amsterdam Science Park (Congress Centre)**.



Its themes tie in with the priorities of the Netherlands Presidency in the field of responsible research and innovation (RRI), and with the European Commission's policy to promote RRI. The conference will allow participants to share experiences and best practices of the NWO-MVI programme. It will provide researchers, entrepreneurs, policy makers and representatives from NGO's with concrete tools how to use responsible innovation as a source of innovative research, products and processes.

The three main questions of the day are:

1. How does (European) society benefit from responsible innovation?
2. What are the most important lessons that can be learned from NWO-MVI research projects so far?
3. How to bring responsible innovation into practice?

Registration is now open.

About 150 people can participate. You will receive notice about your participation from us in the week of 30 May. You will also be asked then to make a choice for a parallel session.

Please [fill in the registration form](#) on the NWO website

Programme

The programme consists of several inspiring speakers from the academic world and society and show cases of responsible innovation on urgent societal issues.

With:

- Professor Jeroen van den Hoven, Delft University of Technology and chair of the NWO-MVI programme committee
- Two show cases of NWO-MVI research projects: professor Peter-Paul Verbeek on responsible design of drones and drone services and professor Sabine Roeser on the role and value of emotions in innovations
- Dutch experts who will debate on the added value of responsible innovation in the fields of amongst others sustainable energy and health care, in relation to the Dutch top sectors (*economic priority areas*)
- Three interactive sessions: *The Societal Incubator* (with prof. Harro van Lente, Maastricht University) and *Responsible Research and Innovation in Industry - using Corporate Responsibility Tools* (with professor Doris Schroeder, University of Central Lancashire) and *RRI on a European level* (with researchers of three European RRI projects)
- Launch of the NWO-MVI Young Responsible Design Award
- Launch of the new Dutch NWO-MVI Expertisecentrum, which will further consolidate and expand the knowledge and community developed within the programme

[See the full programme](#) on the website



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Responsible Innovation

The Responsible Innovation research programme (NWO-MVI) identifies at the development stage which societal aspects play a role and what societal context is needed to have the innovation succeed. This creates more support in society and helps prevent innovations from unnecessarily coming to a standstill. Furthermore, as a result of this research complex and cost-increasing adjustments later on can be avoided. This provides opportunities for better products and services through societally inspired innovations.

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