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#### Making room for everyone's talent

Towards a new balance in the recognition and rewards of academics

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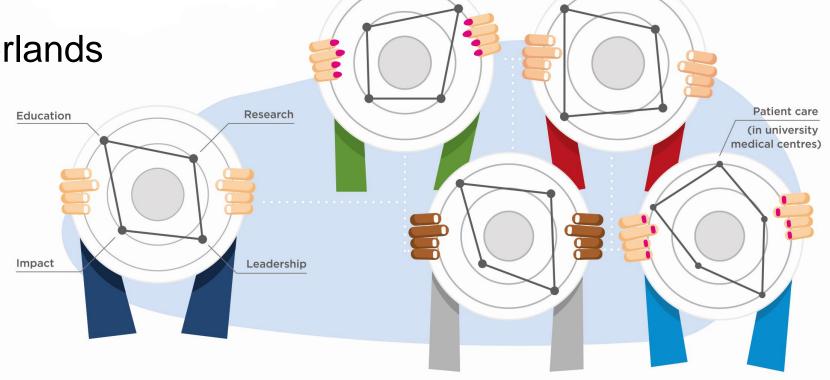


#### Our ambition

We aim for a healthy and inspiring environment for our academic staff. Where all talents are valued: Teaching, research, impact, patient care and good leadership in

Not only in The Netherlands

But all over the world!



#### **Outline**

- Why do we need a change in recognition and rewards?
- What do we want to change?
- How do we achieve this change?
- How can I contribute?
- Conclusion

#### Room for everyone's talent

towards a new balance in recognising and rewarding academics



# Why do we need a change in recognition and rewards?

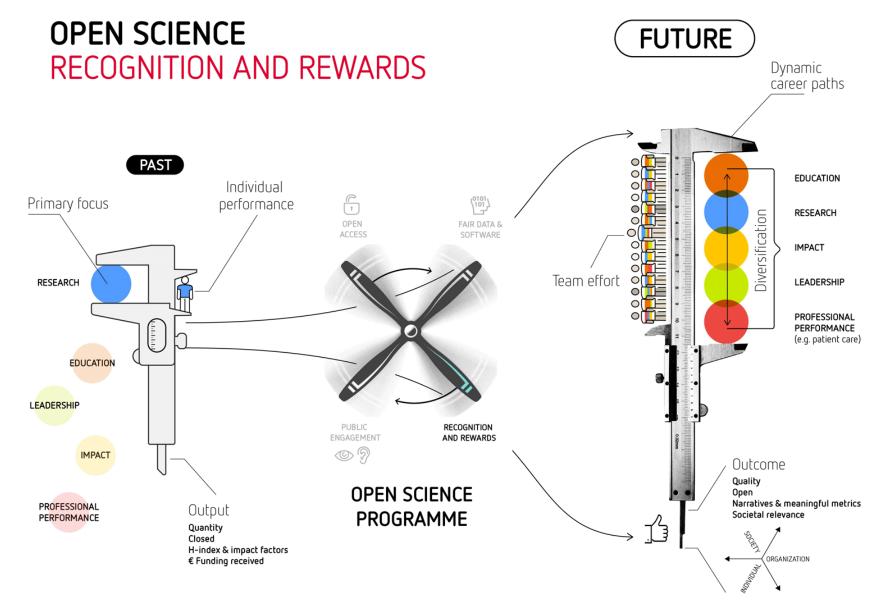


# Why a change is needed









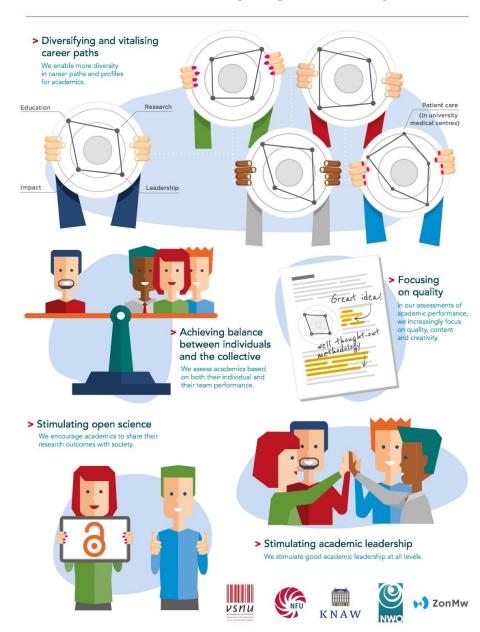


# What do we want to change?



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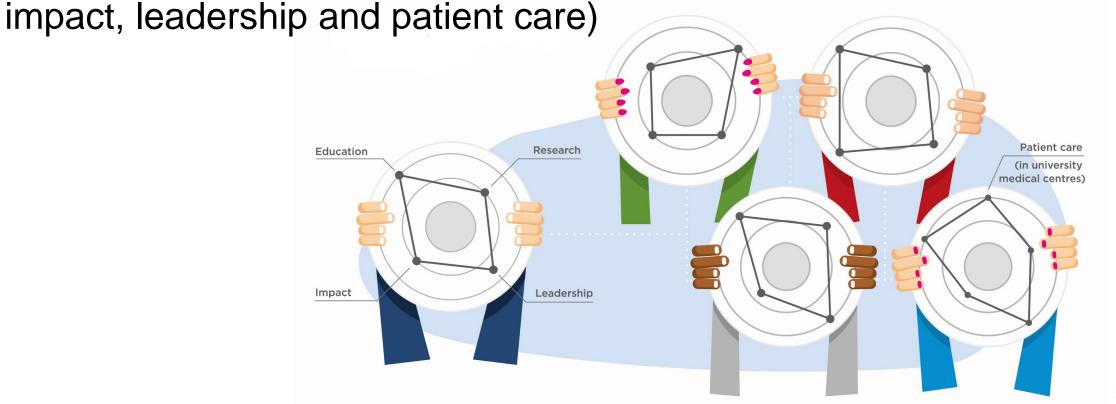


#### What we want to change

- 1. Diversifying and vitalising career paths
- 2. Achieving balance between individuals and the collective
- 3. Focusing on quality
- 4. Stimulating open science
- 5. Stimulating leadership in academia

#### Diversifying and vitalising career paths

1. Enable diversification and vitalisation of career paths, thereby promoting excellence in each of the key areas (education, research,



#### Balance between individual & team

- 2. A better balance between individual and team performance:
- Recognition of teamwork and team spirit
- Inspire cooperation between organizations, disciplines and within teams (Team Science)



## More focus on quality of work

- 3. More focus on quality of work over quantitative results:
- Good scientific research increases scientific knowledge and makes a contribution to solving societal challenges



#### Stimulating Open Science

- 4. Open Science becomes the norm and stimulates interaction between scientists and society:
- Stimulating Open Science means recognizing and rewarding other aspects of research (in addition to publications), such as datasets or software, as important research outputs



#### Stimulating leadership in academia

5. More emphasis on the value of high-quality leadership in academia to set the course in research and education, to achieve impact, and to ensure that teams of academics can do their work as well as possible



#### How do we achieve this change?



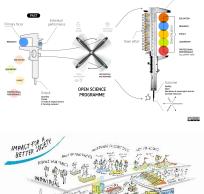
#### Our approach

- 18 Recognition & Rewards committees from all 14 research universities, research institutes and funders
- Committees stimulate intended culture change at institutional level
- There is a great and inspiring diversity of approaches
- Inspiring, experimenting, co-creation, sharing good practices and mutual learning are central to the joint programme
- We stimulate this with regular (online) meetings, Recognition & Rewards Festival and we develop an online community platform

Institutions translate position paper to own organisation









#### Bottom-up & Top-down



A broad dialogue in academia is important: Scientists should be able to discuss recognition & rewards and influence how they are assessed



National steering group is responsible for

monitoring cohesion and encouraging parties to be mutually consistent and show courage



## Guiding principles



Culture change is a fundamental change of beliefs; not just change in rules of the game



Changing culture is difficult and takes a long time



Broad dialogue in academia is needed: we listen to concerns, questions & dilemmas from academic community



Sharing good practices and experimenting will initiate desired movement



Balance: giving room for ideas (diverging) and bringing together good practices (converging)



Importance of good leadership in academia to make change work

#### Good practice:

'Impact through Recognition & Rewards'

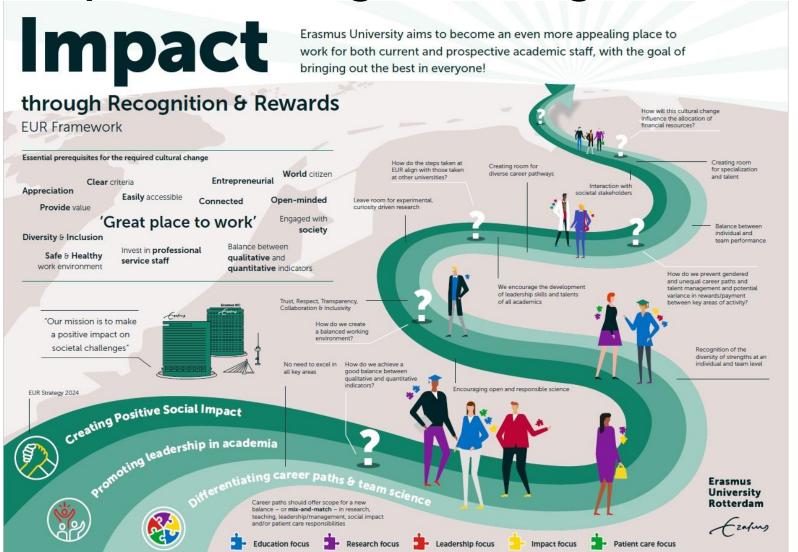
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# CREATING POSITIVE SOCIETAL IMPACT

THE ERASMIAN WAY



#### Impact through Recognition & Rewards

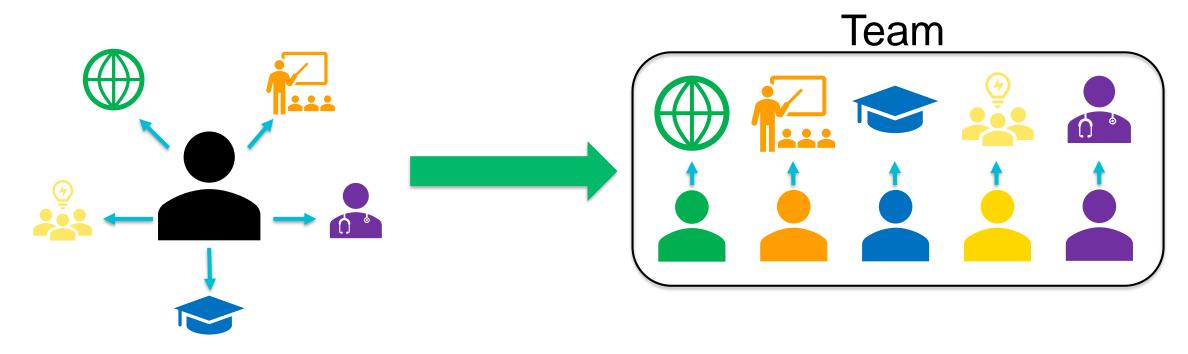


The EUR framework focuses strongly on:

- Making a positive impact on society
- Creating differentiated career paths & move towards team science
- Promoting leadership in academia

https://www.eur.nl/en/about-eur/vision/recognition-rewards

#### Differentiated career paths & team science



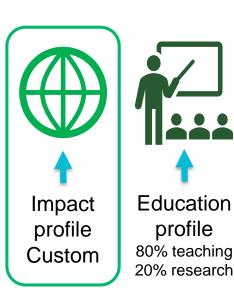
#### Creating differentiated career paths:

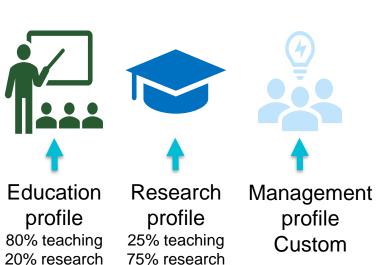
- With a focus/accent on research, education, impact, leadership/management, patientcare
  - Always including a research and education component
- To be available for assistant-, associate- and full professors
  - After a 'fixed' period in a standard/classic profile (60% teaching, 40% research)
- Not at the expense of research and teaching excellence!

# Inter-faculty differences

Erasmus School of Social and Behavioral Science

#### Rotterdam School of Management





RSM Faculty Qualifications Grid		Activities		
		Engagement	Innovation & Impact	Leadership
Audiences	Academic (Other scholars, the Literature, the Profession)	1: Academic Engagement	2: Academic Innovation & Impact	3: Academic Leadership
	Pedagogical (Learners, Other Teachers)	4: Pedagogical Engagement	5: Pedagogical Innovation & Impact	6: Pedagogical Leadership
	Practice (Practitioners, Industry & community)	7: Practice Engagement	8: Practice Innovation & Impact	9: Practice Leadership

Career path on Impact - principles

- Development of Impact focus profile
  - Interviews with assistant- and associate professors
  - Impact highly integrated with research and education
  - Impact as a multi-interpretable concept
    - Field depended
    - Importance of different impact pathways with focus on (long-term) collaborations with public and private partners
  - Part of a broader cultural change
    - Importance of right environment including professional support, training, funding



Career path on Impact - assessment

- Activities:
  - Collaboration with societal partners
  - Knowledge translation from and to society
  - Impact & educational activities
  - Public engagement
  - Impact leadership
- Professional skills
- Professional attitude
- Achievements
  - Self-assessment
  - Stakeholder assessment
  - Proxies for impact



#### How can I contribute?



#### Get involved!

- Start small
- Start the dialogue with your peers next door and worldwide
- Share your ideas, dilemmas and concerns
- Listen to concerns, questions and dilemmas from your peers
- Start your own (small) experiment in modernizing career assessment
- Share good practices and experiments

#### Conclusion



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We need a better balance in how we recognize and reward academics to help us achieve excellent education, research, impact and leadership, as well as the highest level of patient care in our university hospitals

We cannot change academic career assessment on our own.
 We need to work together on a global level to change the recognition and rewards of academics



# Let's move together!



#### Thank you for your attention!

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#### Some interesting references

- Position paper 'Room for everyone's talent: towards a new balance in the recognition and rewards for academics',
- Strategy Evaluation Protocol (SEP) 2021 2027
- A <u>recap of the Recognition & Rewards Festival</u> (February 2022)
- Webinars on rewarding teaching (November 2020)
- Video Strategy Evaluation Protocol (SEP) 2021-2027
- 'Three perspectives on Open Science in research assessment' <u>slide deck</u>
- Youtube <u>playlist</u> Recognition & rewards
- Summary of Career Framework for University Teaching (Ruth Graham)
- <u>Video's</u> showcasing five countries reforming university reward and recognition systems
- The Dutch Recognition & Rewards Programme in <u>DORA Repository</u>



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#### Recommendation

Science Policy, Recognition & Rewards for Increasing Impact

"Broadening the space of recognition and the reward system through dialgoue amongst different stakeholders, combining top down and bottom up in an inclusive way."

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