

# RIS

### **Annual Research Review**

November 2024

### **About the RIS**

# The Research Information System delivers important benefits which include:

- The automatic searching of publications from a range of external sources and a simple process to deposit them into the Research Repository.
- A single place where researchers can manage grants, professional activities, teaching responsibilities and supervision, publications and impact.
- A way to manage and edit external web profiles.
- A platform in which REF submission and annual research review can be managed with minimal re-keying of data or completing of forms.

### **About this guide**

# This guide describes the process completing your Annual Research Review in the RIS.

By the end of the guide you should be able to:

- Login to the System
- Complete your monitoring form
- Submit for review by your department

### **Your Submission**

### For this review you will be asked to:

- Confirm you are aware of the University's <u>Code of Good Research Practice</u>, <u>Policy and Procedure for managing and</u> <u>storing security-sensitive research material</u> and the <u>Open Research Position Statement</u>.
- Check that RIS holds details of your published and deposited outputs since 1 January 2021 and select and
  order all those that are eligible for submission in the REF, i.e. outputs that are the product of research, briefly defined
  as a process of investigation leading to new insights, effectively shared.
- List any other outputs, including working papers, or projects that are likely to result in publications and that you would like to bring to your Department and the University's attention
- Check your list of research funding Awards and tell us about any grant applications made, pending or planned.
- Check your list of Professional Activities and select any indicators of peer esteem and national and international recognition that you have received since 1 August 2020.
- Select Impact items, in particular ones that may support an impact case study for the next REF.
- List any knowledge exchange activities that you are currently undertaking or have planned.

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	Enter your University of Essex credentials and click Login:
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	Please login using your normal university login. <u>Do not</u> add @essex.ac.uk to the username.
	For support please email reors@essex.ac.uk

## Log In

Login at: https://ris.essex.ac.uk

Your normal university login is all you need.

You don't need the VPN to access the RIS. It works from anywhere with an internet connection and in most browsers (Microsoft Edge, Chrome, Firefox, Safari).



## How to begin

To begin Select from:

Menu > Assessment > My

Submission > Review Processes

You will also be prompted to start, complete or take action on an exercise from My Actions on the home page

### **Start your submission**

Review the guidance and click

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### **Start your submission**

Refer to the guidance text for instructions if you need help.

The Overview section will alert you to which sections are outstanding and need completion.

At the completion of any task, please press Next

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## **Completing Sections**

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Once you complete a section press either Save or Save and Exit to return to the main menu.



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### **Completing Sections**

Once a section is completed, you can view your selections.

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Click on Previous or Next to move between sections.



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## **Completing Sections**

Most sections will allow you to select information already held in the RIS.

- Outputs and Publication plans
- Research Grants and Funding Plans
- Impact, Knowledge Exchange and Other Professional Activities

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### **Completing Sections**

All items within RIS will be displayed on this screen

To add or remove items on a list click Add or Remove.

You can also use the Add All button to add all items.

### Click Back to List when you are finished

#### Select items for Other Professional Activities and Achievements

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# Adding Items not on the RIS

If you wish to add items which are not yet on the RIS, (e.g. A Professional activity) you can add them directly within the relevant section.

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# **Putting items in order**

For some sections you will be asked to order items (e.g., order outputs according to quality)

To move items, click on  $\vdots$  and select one of the four options:

- Move to top
- Move up
- Move Down
- Move to Bottom

Alternatively, you can manually change the order number by clicking on  $\swarrow$  and then inputting a number to represent the order.



## **Navigating sections**

To navigate between sections, you can either use the **Previous** or **Next** buttons or simply click on the section names in the Summary Panel on the left of the screen.

At any point you can return to the summary screen to access other parts of the submission by clicking Overview

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### **Complete a submission**

Once you have completed all sections click Submit at the top right hand side.

A summary window will pop up showing any sections which have had no input.

Click Confirm if you wish to submit the exercise to Departmental Review.

It is important that you do this, otherwise your department cannot access your submission to start reviewing it.



# Need help?

### **Contact REO Research Systems**

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www.essex.ac.uk/staff/research-systems