

## Digital Innovation & Circular Economy Network+

### Code of Practice

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#### Principles of participation

All members and collaborators of the DICE Network+ are asked to follow this code of practice during all network engagements, meetings, events and interactions on social media, upholding the network's core values:

- **Curiosity** to drive exploration and learning
- **Collaboration** to foster teamwork and shared growth
- **Courage** to embrace transformation and change.

#### Foster an inclusive and respectful community

We understand that excellence will be achieved through recognising the value of every individual. We want to create a welcoming environment to encourage, support and respect ideas from everyone and ensure our inclusive activities are representative of the diverse circular economy community. Our ambition is to instil these values across all our activities, and we wish to support a diverse network membership.

As such, we will:

- Treat all individuals with dignity and respect, regardless of background, identity or role.
- Actively include and make space for underrepresented voices.
- Support our peers in their development and learning.
- Welcome differing viewpoints and constructive feedback, reflecting on our own biases.
- Avoid language or behaviour that is discriminatory, harassing or exclusionary.

#### Engage professionally and constructively

We are committed to high standards for the network and take great pride in being recognised as a trusted and reputable source of insight and collaborative opportunity. The integrity of the network is a product of our members and collaborators.

As such, we will:

- Represent the interests of our whole network without seeking individual advantage and acknowledge any conflict of interest which may arise.
- Advocate for and promote the most positive outcomes for the network.

- Act in a transparent and ethical manner, taking responsibility for our actions and their consequences.
- Respect the confidentiality of information shared across the network where appropriate.
- Respect copyrights, avoid plagiarism and credit others' research / work where appropriate.

### Champion ethical innovation

The network is focused on digital innovation to both embed circular principles in technology design and use digital enablement to accelerate the adoption of the circular economy.

Recognising the UKRI focus on [Responsible Innovation](#), the network supports the co-creation of meaningful solutions that consider the wider impacts of research and innovation.

As such, we will:

- Use technology and data responsibly, with consideration for social & environmental impact.
- Actively consider potential unintended negative impacts and act to mitigate them.
- Promote the dissemination, adoption and diffusion of research and innovation across our networks and peers.

### Concerns?

Your continued compliance with this code of practice is a prerequisite for ongoing engagement. Should you have any concerns regarding this code of practice or the behaviour of any network members, please contact DICE Network+ Manager, Georgie Hopkins, [DICE-network@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:DICE-network@exeter.ac.uk)