

FINN-ARMA

Finnish Association of Research Managers and Advisors

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Ella Bingham, Chair of Finn-ARMA

Finn-ARMA Network (*Finnish Association of Research Managers and Advisors*)

- **Finn-ARMA Network** brings together **research administration and management experts from higher education institutions and research institutes in Finland.**
- Network's core mission is to **promote co-operation, exchange information and enhance the professional development of its members.**
- Currently the network has ca. **500 members** working in **~20 thematic groups** where the most of the actual activities take place. Open for all.
- Finn-ARMA network co-operates with other national parties providing its expertise for joint projects and contributing to the general development of its field.

Thematic groups in the Finn-ARMA network

- **Bottom-up action** born from the experts' own need. The activities of the thematic groups are shaped according to the needs of the group members.
- Thematic groups are created bottom-up, when a group of experts identify the need for such. The working language is chosen within the group.
- Anyone can join a thematic group via a registration form found at <https://wiki.eduuni.fi/display/csctuha/Finnish+Association+of+Research+Managers+and+Advisors>

Information and events of the Finn-ARMA network

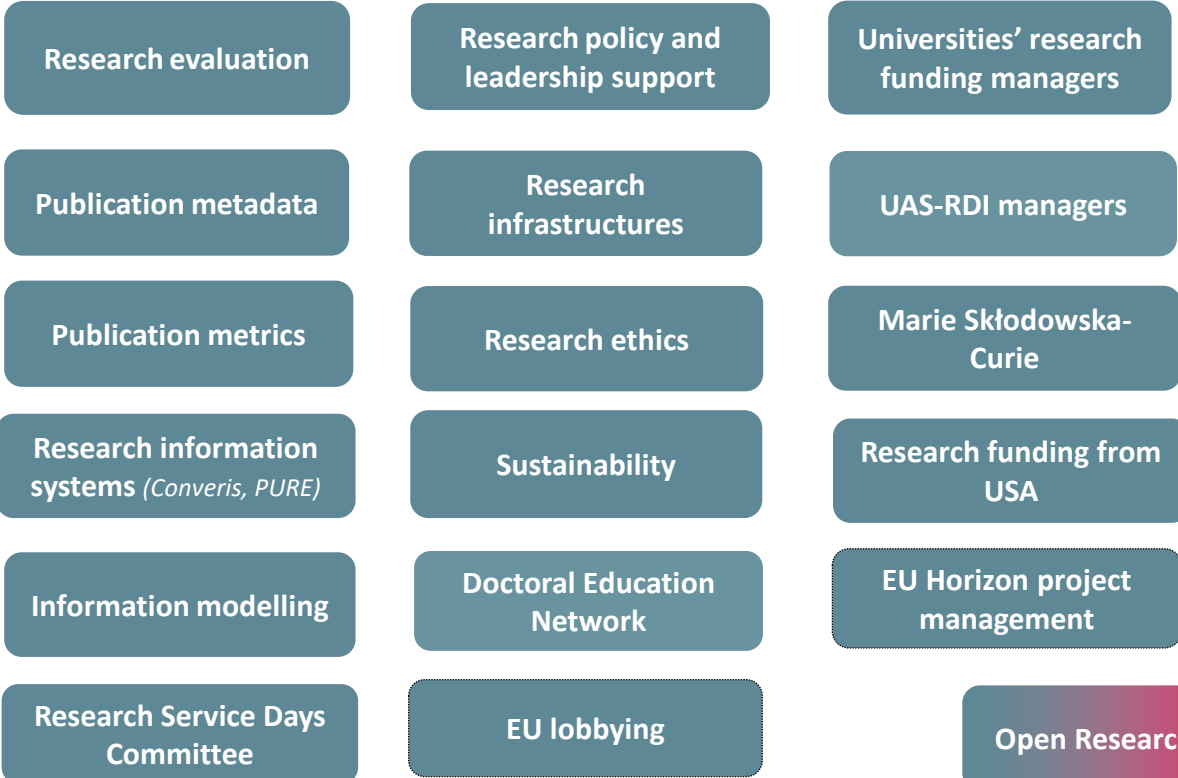
- The network has its own wiki site
<https://wiki.eduuni.fi/display/csctuha/Finn-ARMA-verkosto>
- Each thematic group has a home page in the wiki site
- Each group has its own mailing email list
- A common email list for the whole network
- Regular webinars

Network of research administration, funding and services experts and managers from universities, universities of applied sciences and research organisations

Current thematic groups and networks (new ones are established whenever needed)

Meaningful activities are a key issue, not organizational structure!

Members: Experts from universities, universities of applied sciences and research organisations (currently appr. 500 persons)



Open Research Data



Cooperation Council (Sub-group chairs)

Executive Committee (6)

National coordination for Open Science

Cooperation with other networks: FUN (university libraries), IR (institutional research), PID (persistent identifiers), etc.

National Research Information Hub

Cooperation with stakeholders

Executive Committee of Finn-ARMA

- Ensures the ongoing operation of the network, represents the research management profession nationally, and cooperates with other national and international actors.
- Members: Chair and 4 members from universities, 1 from universities of applied sciences, 1 from research institutes. Current members:
 - **Ella Bingham**, Aalto University, Chair
 - **Tuula Hämäläinen**, VTT
 - **Markku Ihonen**, Tampere University
 - **Heidi Kinnunen**, University of Helsinki
 - **Jaana Kokkonen**, Hanken
 - **Johanna Krappe**, Turku University of Applied Sciences
 - **Riikka Reitzer**, University of Jyväskylä
- **Deputy members:**
 - **Miki Kallio**, University of Oulu
 - **Mari Riipinen**, University of Turku
- **Coordinator: Walter Rydman**, CSC - Tieteen tietotekniikan keskus
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Election of Executive Committee members

- The university representatives in the Executive Committee are elected annually during Research Service Days, for 2-year terms, so that 50% of members change each year.
- The selection procedure is explained (in Finnish) at [Finn-ARMAn työvaliokunnan yliopistojäsenten valinta 2020 - Finn-ARMA - Eduuni-wiki](#)
- But due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Finn-ARMA activities have proceeded at a slower pace than planned, and the current Executive Committee suggested that **election of new members is postponed to 2022.**
- The community responsible for electing the members, namely Chairs of Finn-ARMA subcommittees and representatives of each University, considered this a good idea.
- Thus a Call for the university representatives in the Executive Committee is arranged in 2022.
- Note: The representative of Universities of Applied Sciences is chosen by their RDI directors meeting. The representative of Research Institutes is chosen by Tulanet cooperation body.

Finn-ARMA has joined INORMS Hiroshima Statement

- Finn-ARMA is a member in INORMS, International Network of Research Management Societies <https://inorms.net/>
- Principles and responsibilities:
- Collegiate, Inclusive, Professional, Innovative, Accountable
- <https://wiki.eduuni.fi/display/csctuha/23.3.2021?preview=/197661942/197661952/Hiroshima%20Statement%20Final.pdf>



Hiroshima Statement

Essential Practice of Research Management and Administration

The International Network of Research Management Societies (INORMS) enables interactions, sharing of good practice, and joint activities between the member societies worldwide, irrespective of their national political situation, to the benefit of their individual memberships. We all face similar challenges and aspire to a common goal: to improve our local, national, and global research landscapes. For this, we need a set of common principles, which are described in this Statement.

Principles and Responsibilities

1. **Collegiate:** RMAs work in partnership with researchers and other professionals to add value to the research enterprise. They share information and best practice among the research community.
2. **Inclusive:** RMAs value the diversity of individuals, skills, and experiences in their profession and support a culture which embraces equity, fairness and inclusivity.
3. **Professional:** RMAs have a responsibility to develop their knowledge and skills, and to mentor and train future RMA professionals and researchers.
4. **Innovative:** RMAs should be innovative, responsive and resilient to operate in a rapidly changing research environment.
5. **Accountable:** RMAs should be aware of the external regulatory environment and should ensure effective policies and procedures are in place to support best practice and integrity in research.

Member survey

- Finn-ARMA conducted a survey among its members during summer 2021
- To find out who we are, and to find out the needs of our members
- Walter Rydman will show the results