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The Impact of Impact Assessment on Science

Workshop

Friday, January 27, 2017
Room A 310

The workshop explores the impact of impact assessments on science. By combining both, empirical insights and science policy expertise on the recent implementation of the impact element in the UK Research Excellence Framework (2014), the pertinent questions are:

What is a reasonable framework to assess broader impacts of research? In which ways do impact assessments affect the institutional and epistemic diversity of research? What lessons can be learned for future assessments in the UK and in regard to the German research evaluation regime?

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8:30
Registration

9:00 a.m.
Introduction
Felix Streiter, Stiftung Mercator
Martina Franzen, WZB

9:20 a.m.
The Impact Agenda: Beyond the Commercialization and Politicization of Science?
David Kaldewey, Forum Internationale Wissenschaft Bonn

9:40 a.m.
Ex Ante Evaluation of Research Quality: Assessing uncertain Outcomes of Research Endeavours
Anne Brüggemann German Research Foundation (DFG)

10:00 a.m. Discussion

10:30 a.m. Refreshments

11:00 a.m.
Health Research as a Model of Impact
Trisha Greenhalgh, University of Oxford

11:20 a.m.
Research Impact and Presentation of Self in Everyday Academic Life.
An Investigation of Discursive Positioning Practices of British Linguists
Marta Natalia Wróblewska, Warwick University

11:40 a.m. Discussion

12:10 p.m. Lunch

1:10 p.m.
Results of a Cross-Disciplinary Analysis of the REF 2014 Impact Case Studies
Martina Franzen, **Stefan Priester**, WZB

1:30 p.m.
From a Narrative to a Metrics-Based Approach of Impact Assessment?
Paul Wouters, Leiden University

1:50 p.m. Discussion

2:20 p.m. Coffee

2:50 p.m.
Moral Panic and the Impact Agenda
Claire Donovan, Brunel University London

3:10 p.m.
Research Impact and Research Policy in Germany
Rainer Lange, Head Office of the German Council of Science and Humanities (Wissenschaftsrat)

3:30 p.m. Discussion

4:00-5:00 p.m.
Final Discussion: Lessons learned from the REF 2014