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Victim Support Portal – an interactive portal to support victims of academic misconduct

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Purpose of ENAI



to support
higher education institutions
to work together
in the field of
academic integrity

ENAI Activities & Working groups



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- Events
 - Annual conferences
 - Summer schools
- Web page with resources
 - Educational materials
 - Glossary, Guidelines
 - Self-evaluation tools
- Regular newsletter
 - every 2 months
- Social media
 - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn



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Is there a need for a support network?



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“My PhD advisor stole my research data!”

“I’ve reported a bad action and now I’m being persecuted!”

“One of my co-authors manipulated data and now I’m being accused!”



“My supervisor threatened me, if I ever report that he harrassed me!”

“My teaching materials are being used elsewhere without my consent!”

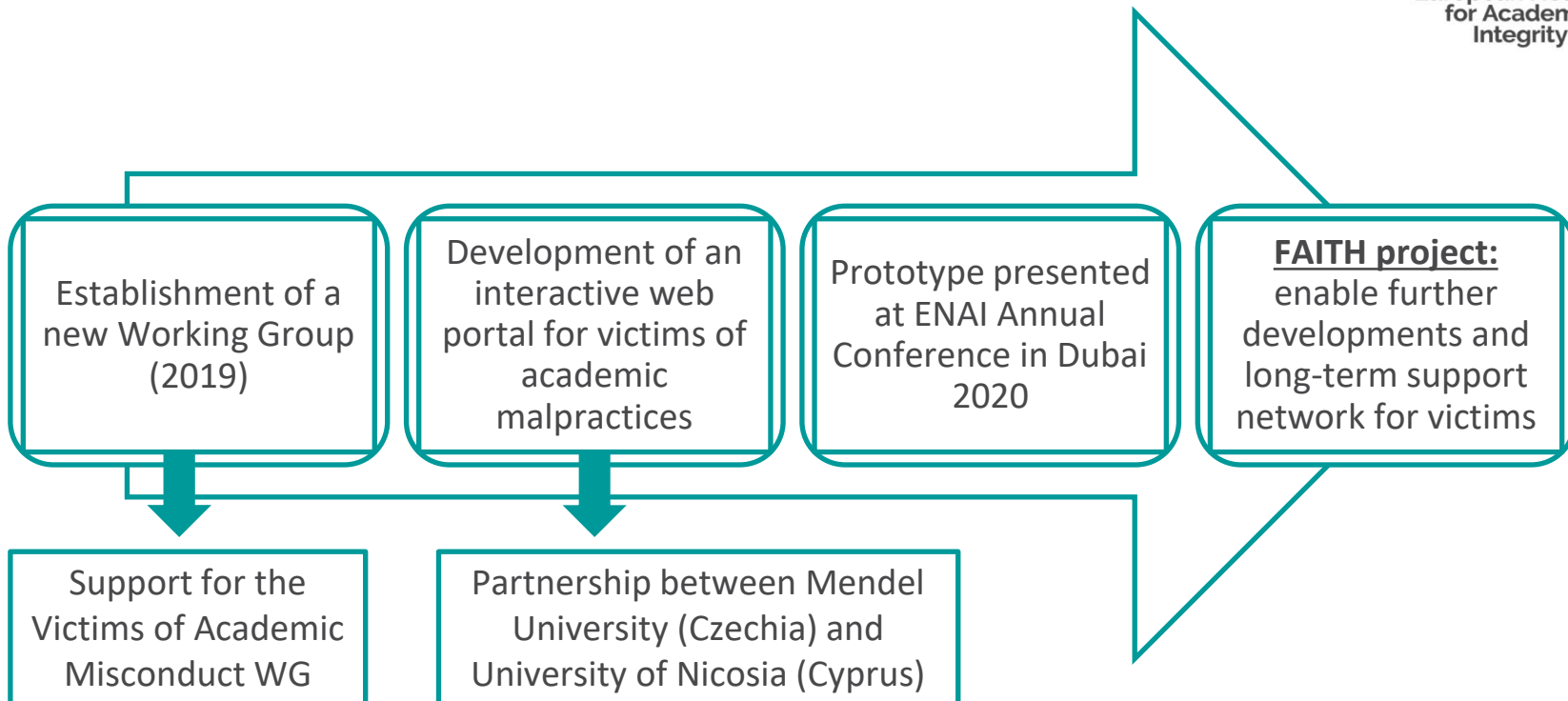
“I’m not a co-author of a paper I did most of the work!”

“My paper was plagiarised!”

ENAI's vision



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Interactive portal and support network for victim of academic misconduct



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Aim

To establish a confidential support network for victims of academic misconduct

To provide an advisory service for people affected by unethical academic conduct

Victim Support Portal



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Contact our Community!

THE COMMON TYPES OF ACADEMIC & RESEARCH MALPRACTICE

- Authorship Abuse
- Contract Cheating
- Fabrication
- Falsification
- Exploitative Relationship
- Plagiarism

<https://academicintegrity.eu/victims/>

Victim Support Portal

- ✓ Anyone can expose their problem in confidence
- ✓ Private posts
- ✓ Select the category
- ✓ Select the mentor

Title

Question title

Description

NOTE: Your request and all communications will remain private and only be visible to our mentors. A mentor will contact you shortly after you have submitted your request. Where appropriate, certain requests, together with the advice provided by mentors, may be made publicly available on the Portal, but only after all personal details have been removed. This information will serve to help other people in similar situations. Approved consent is required from the person who posted the request before any anonymised case details are made publicly available on the Portal.

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Category

Please select the category that best describes your situation. You may select multiple categories.

- Authorship
- Citation
- Conflicts/Dispute (personal/work)
- Contract cheating
- Data collection, analysis and reporting
- Plagiarism
- Publication/Peer Review
- Research collaboration
- Unfair allegations of unethical conduct
- Supervision
- Whistleblower protection
- Other

Mentor

Please select the mentor you wish to support you on your situation (optional). You may select more than one mentor. You may find information about the mentors [here](#). The selected mentor(s) will read

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Meet our mentors!

List of Mentors



Rita Santos
EVA (Czechia)



Salim Razi
Cankaya Onsekiz Mart University
(Turkey)



Ece Zehir Topkaya
Cankaya Onsekiz Mart University
(Turkey)



Dita Henek Diabolová
EVA (Czechia)



Shiva
Sivasubramaniam
University of Derby (UK)



Tomáš Foitýnek
Masaryk University (Czechia)



Irene Glendinning
Coventry University (UK)



Júlíus Kravjár
EVA (Czechia)



Sonja BjeLOBaba
Uppsala University (Sweden)



Milan Ojsteršek
University of Maribor (Slovenia)



Özgür Çelik
Balikesir University (Turkey)



Zeenath Reza Khan
University of Wollongong (Dubai)



Laura Ribeiro
University of Porto (Portugal)



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Victim Support Portal



- ✓ Cases made public after receiving consent from the victim
- ✓ Raise awareness and support people facing similar problems



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Welcome to the Discussion Forum

Share your situation to get feedback and advice from people who might have experienced similar issues or are knowledgeable in the field. Help us build a community of support for the victims of misconduct and questionable practices in research and education! Share your voice! You are not alone!

Note: The cases presented here are based on real events shared by people who have been unfairly disadvantaged by misconduct and questionable practices in research and education. All personal details have been anonymized. Approved consent was received from the subject of this case for it to be published here.

Comments made about the following cases will only be made public after they have been assessed and approved by our team of mentors.

Order By: Active Category × Clear Filter

	My thesis has been plagiarized several times. What can I do? 👁 478 views → Rita Santos Changed status to publish 5. 9. 2022	1 votes	2 ans
	Plagiarized Medium article 👁 392 views → Tomáš Foltýnek Answered question 23. 4. 2020	0 votes	1 ans

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Stories



- Real cases of academic and research misconduct
- Open discussions

Blog



- Personal reflections from mentors on issues of academic or research malpractice
- Open discussions

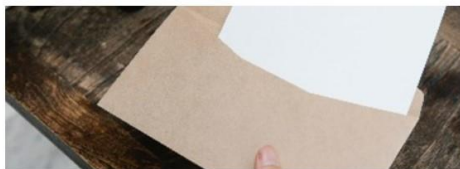
Resources



- Relevant bibliography
- Guideline documents
- Webinar

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Stories



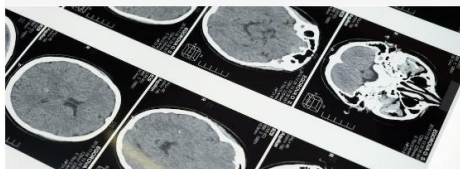
Fired postdoc faked recommendation letters from supervisor

Following the filing of a complaint and affidavit in July 2022, Georgios Laliotis, a postdoctoral researcher from Ohio State University (OSU), was found guilty of creating and sending fake recommendation letters, supposed to be from his supervisor, Dr Philip Tschichis. It all started when Laliotis' contract at OSU was terminated ...



Plagiarism: the two sides of the coin

"The narrative around plagiarism is often extremely simplified: There is a plagiarist and there is a victim. It's a simple and compelling narrative. There is a bad person that has stolen or lifted from a good person by using their work without the decency of at least giving them proper ...



"You can't cheat to cure a disease" (by: Matthew Schrag)



You cannot hide from misconduct, not even underwater!

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Frequently Asked Questions

Here you may find useful information about the Victim Support Portal and the answers to your questions. If you don't find an answer to your question, please email us at: victims@academicintegrity.eu. We hope that you will find useful tips and information here.

About the Portal

- + Why was the Victim Support Portal created?
- + Can I disseminate the Victim Support Portal to my Institutional and personal contacts and social media?
- + Can I use the documents and other resources available in the Portal?

Asking a question or sharing a situation

- + How can I ask a question or share a problem of misconduct or questionable practice in research or education that I am currently experiencing?
- + Can I ask a question or share an example of misconduct or questionable practice in research or education that I have experienced in the past?
- + Can I ask for support on behalf of someone else?
- + Do you promise to solve my problem if I ask for support?
- + Do I need to be registered in the Portal to post a request?
- + If I wish to withdraw my request, how long will it take to process it?

Victim Support Portal - Impact

Conference presentations

- 2 Oral communications – ECAIP 22 & QAI 10th Anniversary Conference
- 1 Leaflet - WCRI

Local disseminations

- ENAI PhD Summer School
- COMU Postgraduate Introductory Lecture
- Interview – Universitas (CZ)

Victim Support Portal - Impact



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- ✓ 5 victims supported;
- ✓ 1 case made public (after anonymisation);
- ✓ Cases: Plagiarism; working dispute; data issues
- ✓ > 6000 page views
- ✓ > 550 users from 60 countries



COUNTRY	USERS
United Kingdom	99
United States	73
Portugal	63
Czechia	33
Turkey	30
Slovakia	29
Slovenia	24

Pomozte šířit



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