

COPE HISTORY TIMELINE

1997

1997-2003

COPE founded by Mike Farthing (*Gut*), Richard Smith (*BMJ*) and Richard Horton (*The Lancet*) in April 1997

Constitution written

Richard Smith:

"[COPE] may not prove useful in the long term, and we will be delighted if it is made unnecessary because the international profession produces an adequate response to research misconduct"



90 Members

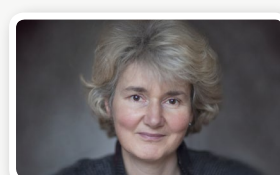


COPE Founders: Mike Farthing, Richard Smith and Richard Horton

2003-2006



Fiona Godlee becomes Chair



Code of conduct for editors published
Authorship guidelines published



350 Members

2006-2009



Harvey Markovitch becomes Chair



COPE becomes a charity
Flowcharts published



3000+ Members

2009-2012



Liz Wager becomes Chair

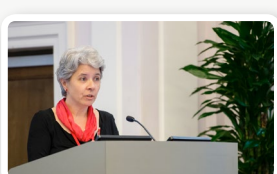


First USA seminar
First Australasian and Middle East seminars
eLearning course published
Retraction guidelines published
First discussion document published (on Plagiarism)
First COPE staff member

2012-2017



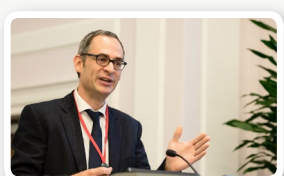
Ginny Barbour becomes Chair



Awarded the Council of Science Editors meritorious award
First South American seminar
First European seminar outside London
Start of the university membership pilot scheme
Guidelines on cooperation between research institutions and journals published



Ethical guidelines for peer reviewers
First version of Principles of transparency for scholarly publishing
Authorship discussion document
Sharing of information among EiCs discussion document
First formal strategic plan



First China seminar
Workshop with Russell Group members and COPE members

COPE joins the programme committee of the World Conference on Research Integrity

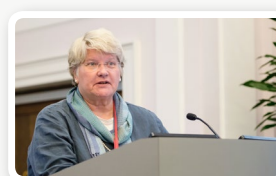
COPE's 20th anniversary European seminar

Code of conduct retired and replaced with Core practices

2017-2019



Chris Graf & Geri Pearson become Co-Chairs



COPE Journal audit reviewed and updated to tie in with COPE's Core practices
Spanish and Chinese translations of key COPE guidance

2019-2021



Deborah Poff becomes Chair

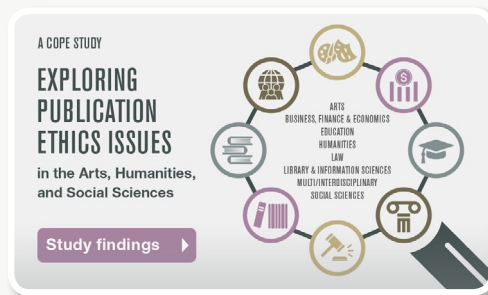


Arts, humanities, and social sciences research of publication ethics needs

COPE has a prominent role at the World Conference on Research Integrity

Predatory publishing discussion document published

DOIs assigned to all key COPE resources



COPE seminar with nine sessions

More than 600 cases available on the COPE website

Editorial board participation guidelines

Artificial intelligence in decision making discussion document

Diversity and inclusivity discussion document

Handling of post-publication critiques flowchart



13500+ Members
from more than 100 countries



2021 ONWARDS



Dan Kulp becomes Chair

Editing peer review guidelines
Launched Member Insight newsletter
Fourth version of principles of transparency
Books publishing working group begin to develop specific resources for books
Inclusivity, diversity, equity and accessibility subcommittee established 2022
Universities to be accepted as members (by 2022)



2022