

# **PRACTICAL INFORMATION**

## CONTEXT

The Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA), together with the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology, INESC TEC, University of Minho and Science Europe, is pleased to invite high-level representatives of the CoARA National Chapters (NCs) as well as coalition members who are considering setting up a National Chapter to a knowledge sharing event to be held on the 22-23 February 2024 in Porto, Portugal. The objectives of the event are twofold:

i) to better understand and communicate CoARA National Chapters, and explore possibilities to build synergies and collaboration,

ii) to address open questions, share experiences, and inspire countries that have yet to establish a National Chapter.

The event will be in person with possibilities to follow online.

Participants are kindly requested to cover their own travel costs. However, in cases where National Chapter Coordinators operate without funding and, as a result, are unable to cover their own travel expenses, please get in touch with the CoARA Secretariat.

### **Objectives of the CoARA National Chapters:**

- Enhancing CoARA's mission by fostering the exchange of knowledge, mutual learning, and discussions on issues relevant to CoARA within different types of organisations in a specific country.
- Supporting national/local coalition members in implementing the commitments outlined in the Agreement on Reforming Research Assessment within a national/regional context. National Chapters are established based on CoARA members' initiatives, and participation is voluntary for any CoARA member from the respective country.
- Developing specific tasks and outputs over a two-year timeframe to aid the implementation of the Agreement within their national context(s), with the aim of adding value beyond existing efforts in the country.

- Ensuring inclusivity by involving at least half of the CoARA member organisations from the concerned country and implementing mechanisms to allow a broader range of organisations, both within and outside CoARA, to contribute to and benefit from the National Chapter.
- Committing to sharing lessons learnt with other National Chapters and fostering synergies and mutual learning with relevant CoARA Working Groups.

#### VENUE



# Alfândega Congress Centre -Porto

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### **TRANSPORT OPTIONS**

- > By Taxi or UBER Approximately 25 minutes from the airport
- By Metro (+Bus) From Francisco Sá Carneiro Porto Airport, catch the metro Line E, Destination Estádio do Dragão. Exit at Trindade. Use the blue ANDANTE ticket (Z4). At Trindade change to Line D - Destination Santo Ovídio and exit at São Bento. Use the same travel ticket as before.

Approximately 24 minutes.

Exit the metro at the STCP bus stop, catch the 500 bus – Destination Matosinhos (Mercado) – Exit at Alfândega bus stop. Use the same travel ticket as before.

### TIMEZONE

Western European Time

### CONTACT

For any further details, please feel free to reach out to <u>secretariat@coara.eu</u> or the on-site organisers at <u>coara-ncevent@inesctec.pt</u>