

STI 2026 30th Annual Conference on Science and Technology Indicators
Antwerp, 9-11 September 2026

Program

(last minute changes in the program can occur)

Tuesday, 8 September 2026						
15:00-16:00	Registration					
16.00-17.30	JDIS Board meeting <i>Room ‘Nile Room’</i> <i>Liyang Yang and Ronald Rousseau</i>	Pre-conference event Presentation of the China Basic Research Development Report <i>Room ‘Promotiezaal Grauwzusters’</i> <i>Lin Zhang, James Wilsdon, Ludo Waltman and Gunnar Sivertsen</i>			PhD event <i>Room TBD</i> Lightning talks	
17.30-19.30	Opening Reception <i>Grauwzustersklooster: chapel and patio</i>					
Wednesday, 9 September 2026						
8:30-9:30	Registration					
9.30-10.00	Opening ceremony Steven Van Passel , Vice Rector for Valorisation and Sustainability, University of Antwerp Matthias Diependaele , Minister-president of Flanders and Flemish Minister for Economy, Innovation en Industry, External Affairs, Digitalisation, and Facility Management Jesper Schneider , ENID President <i>Aula Rector Dhanis</i>					
10.00-11.00	Garfield Memorial Lecture Policy applications of scientometrics: Insights gained, lessons learned, progress expected Koenraad Debackere <i>Aula Rector Dhanis</i> Announcements and practicalities					
11:00-12:15	Track 1 Assessing societal responsibility and transparency, including open science, reproducibility, sustainability, equity, inclusivity and research integrity <i>Room R007 (130 p)</i>	Track 2 Responsible research assessment: frameworks, reforms, and future pathways <i>Room R008 (130 p)</i>	Track 3 Developing next-generation indicators for responsible innovation, societal value and the long-term impact of research <i>Room R004 (200 p)</i>	Track 4 Meta-research on global cooperation and competition, impact of (geo)political tensions, research security, collaboration and knowledge flows in a changing research landscape <i>Room R014 (200 p)</i>	Track 5 (Special Session) Cited references analysis using CRExplorer (2h; end: 12:45) <i>Lutz Bornmann</i>	Track 6 Poster Session Foyer Aula Rector Dhanis Cluster 1. Open science, data infrastructures and scholarly communication (8) Cluster 2. Research integrity, inclusion and responsible research practices (8) Cluster 3. Responsible research assessment: Concepts and institutional reform (8) Cluster 4. Responsible assessment in practice: Careers, governance and evaluation (8) Cluster 5. Societal impact, policy engagement and responsible innovation (8)
12.15-13.30	Lunch break					ENID Board meeting
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18.30-21.30	Conference Dinner <i>HORTA</i>					
Thursday, 10 September 2026						
8:30-9:30	Registration					
9.30-10.30	Keynote: Academic governance and research assessment in an age of epistemic uncertainty and geopolitical fragmentation <i>Sarah de Rijcke</i> <i>Aula Rector Dhanis</i> Plenary announcement: Reminder of the practicalities					
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18.30-21.30	Social gathering <i>WOLF Food Sharing Market</i>					
Friday, 11 September 2026						
9:00-9:30	Registration					
9.30-10.30	Six walks in the academic woods: Towards a scientometrics of the humanities <i>Andrea Bonaccorsi</i> <i>Aula Rector Dhanis</i> Plenary announcement: Reminder of the practicalities					
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12.15-14.00 Extended Lunch break: Food trucks						
14.00-1600	Track 1 Assessing societal responsibility and transparency, including open	Track 2 Bibliodiversity: the role of books, multilingual scholarly	Track 3 Developing next-generation indicators for responsible innovation,	Track 4 Meta-research on global cooperation and competition, impact	Track 5 (Special Session)	Track 6 Poster Session Foyer Aula Rector Dhanis

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16:00	Closing ceremony <i>Aula Rector Dhanis</i>					