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Seds Online Code of Conduct

Seds Online is an international scientific community dedicated to the free and open discussion and interchange of ideas and research results in sedimentology and other related disciplines. The purpose of the Seds Online Code of Conduct is to ensure that all activities conducted or hosted by Seds Online are in agreement with generally accepted ethics and the rules and the mission of Seds Online. Leading principles are honesty, carefulness, transparency, openness, independence, responsibility, and democracy.

This Code of Conduct applies in all Seds Online activities, including ancillary events, social gatherings and field excursions, hereafter referred to as events and resources. Seds Online events and resources foster the exchange of scientific ideas through respectful and open dialogue. Together with Seds Online, event organisers are committed to providing a safe, productive, and welcoming environment for all participants. All meeting participants, including but not limited to attendees, speakers, volunteers and service providers, are expected to abide by the Seds Online Code of Conduct.

Seds Online considers the neglect of these rules as being equal to a scientific misconduct and will lead us to reconsider the membership of the neglecting individual or group.

All members of Seds Online are expected to:

- Treat all participants with equal respect and consideration.
- Critique ideas rather than individuals.
- Avoid personal attacks directed toward other participants and organisations.
- Be mindful of your surroundings and of your fellow participants. Alert event organisers if you notice a potentially dangerous situation, unsafe behaviour or someone in distress.

Unacceptable behaviour includes, but is not limited to, offensive comments, deliberate disruption of events or resources, inappropriate physical contact, deliberate intimidation, stalking and photography or recording of an individual without consent, using Seds Online events and resources to pursue a political agenda, recording or sharing of any presentation from Seds Online Resources with individuals who are not members of Seds Online will not be tolerated.

Seds Online Resources

The Seds Online Resources are built by the community. Seds Online expects that any shared materials are an accurate account of the research performed and present an objective discussion of its significance. The author shall cite publications that have been influential in determining the outcome of the work. Confidential information, such as proprietary industry data or information gained from refereeing manuscripts or grant applications, cannot be used without permission of the original author.

Seds Online will not tolerate deliberately misrepresenting results or interpretations obtained by another scientist, fabrication and falsifying of research data or plagiarism. Plagiarism includes



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Seds Online commits to sustaining a genuine, on-going conversation about ethics and integrity in our community. In order to achieve this, Seds Online shall ensure open communication with the membership.

Breach of the Code of Conduct

If an incident of prohibited conduct occurs during a Seds Online event, then the aggrieved person or witness to the prohibited conduct is encouraged to report it promptly to Seds Online.

Once notified, Seds Online will discuss the details first with the individual filing the complaint, then any witnesses who have been identified, and then the alleged offender before determining an appropriate course of action. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent that it does not compromise the rights of any party.

For any questions about this Code of Conduct, please contact Seds Online.