

Dear SIG 24 Members,

We hope you are doing well!

Today we are writing with two updates: 1) SIG webinar (June 6th 15.00-17.00 CEST), and 2) SIG coordinator elections.

First, we are organizing a SIG 24 Webinar on June 6th. As part of this webinar, we invite SIG members to submit titles and abstracts for work they would like to share. Presentations should be approximately 10 minutes each (+10 min for feedback and discussion), and we are aiming to have a total of 6 presentations. We particularly invite groups currently working on book chapters for the SIG 24 book on Transitions in Research Careers to share what they have done thus far. We also encourage early career researchers to submit abstracts, as this will be an excellent opportunity to receive feedback on ongoing projects or practice presentations (perhaps for the EARLI conference in August!). If you are interested in presenting, please contact Kelsey at kelsey.inouye@education.ox.ac.uk by April 21st.

Second, the Coordinator Election is coming up!

We now seek nominations for candidacy from our members. In August we will be instating a new SIG Co-Coordinator and Junior Coordinator, as Erika and Kelsey will be stepping down at the EARLI Conference in Thessaloniki. Inge will continue to 2025, and Søren to 2027, and the new coordinator-elect to 2029. Each Coordinator serves a 4 year term.

The SIG 24 co-coordinator is expected to take a leadership role to further development of the SIG24 coordinator team. This entails:

- Sustaining goals of the SIG
- Promoting research in the area
- Coordinating and growing the SIG
- Organising SIG activities, including meetings, invited SIG symposium in the biennial EARLI conference and communicating with SIG members
- Reporting to the EARLI office on annual SIG activities and keep track of the budget with the coordinator team.

The Junior coordinator is expected to support SIG co-coordinators in their tasks and the development of the SIG. More specifically:

- Communication with SIG members (listserv, websites...)
- Communication with the EARLI office
- Support in the organization of SIG activities (meetings, symposia, etc.)
- Support in the reports to the EARLI office.

To be eligible for the Junior role, you must be either a postgraduate student or within 3 years of finishing your PhD.

If you are interested in applying for a SIG 24 co-coordinator or a Junior coordinator position, please provide a short bio (max. 200 words), a brief motivation statement and a photograph. Describe in your motivation statement what kind of future initiatives, development, strategic plans and policy decisions you envision for the SIG 24 in the coming years. Please submit your application by April 21, 2023 to Kelsey (kelsey.inouye@education.ox.ac.uk).

Remember, you need to be an EARLI member if you want to vote and/or to be a nominee.
Please, check or renew the membership to participate!

Best wishes,
Erika, Inge, Søren, and Kelsey