

Meet them where they are - Recap

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Recap of session #98 "Meet them where they are" (<http://meetingorganizer.copernicus.org/FORCE2017/FORCE2017-100.pdf>)

On Thursday, FORCE2017 participants visited research groups in the Berlin area to discuss issues around scholarly communication, listen to the pressing concerns of researchers and their ideas about how to change the system. Discussions can start with a simple question: how can open practices accelerate their work, careers and impact on society?

For researchers, this was a low-barrier opportunity to talk to funders, publishers, tool makers, etc., to have their voices heard, and tell us why what we are thinking about might or might not work for them.

For Force11, this will be a way to connect to researchers, test our ideas and visions against reality and truly expand our community.

In this session, we want to share our experiences, discuss both the topics that were discussed and the format of this activity. What worked well and what could be improved, and is this a worthwhile format to pursue during a next conference?