Join COR Conversations
COR Conversations are quarterly virtual events designed for members to learn about and discuss current events, emerging issues, new policy actions, and more. If you have a suggestion for a COR Conversation topic, please email cor@aplu.org.

Read COR News
COR News is our monthly newsletter distributed the last Monday of each month. COR News includes highlights of APLU advocacy, COR activities, article suggestions relevant to the senior research officer experience, agency highlights, and upcoming event reminders. Members are invited to send items to be considered for inclusion in COR News to cor@aplu.org.

Discuss on the COR Listserv
The COR Listserv is an online message system that keeps our members engaged, informed, and connected. The COR Listserv is a terrific way to solicit advice from your peers, learn from their experiences, and engage in conversation on the latest issues. We invite discussions on all topics related to research leadership, encourage members to express any questions, ideas, or concerns, and share information and best practices.

MEETINGS
COR meetings are designed to give members the knowledge and skills to be a leader on current local, national, and global challenges facing research and higher education.

COR Summer Meeting
The COR Summer Meeting is typically in late June. This meeting is for COR members only, and members of any other collaborating APLU councils or commissions.

APLU Annual Meeting
The APLU Annual Meeting takes place in early November. There are multiple sessions for all APLU councils, commissions, and special projects. Each year, in addition to COR-specific sessions, COR leads and collaborates on sessions with other groups within APLU to holistically address issues facing research and higher education.
COR Executive Committee
COR relies on the leadership of its Executive Committee and Chair to provide advice and recommendations to maintain high standards for research, education, infrastructure, and inform research policy deliberations.

Nominations for the Executive Committee are accepted in late summer, and nominees must hold the position of the university’s chief research officer – usually with a Vice President/ Chancellor/ Provost title.

Join a Working Group
Within COR, working groups exist to address the various policy and research issues affecting research institutions. The working groups facilitate discussion, connect similar efforts, inform potential actions, and engage key leaders and communities. Current groups include:
- Safe and Inclusive Research Environments
- University-Industry
- Mentorship
- Generative AI in Research

Learn more about the working groups and how to join here.

Join a Committee
COR has three supporting committees: the Awards & Recognition Committee, Meetings and Programming Committee, and the Nominations Committee. Interested in joining a committee? Please reach out to cor@aplu.org.

Work With Other APLU Councils & Commissions
COR seeks to partner and collaborate with other APLU Councils and Commissions. Therefore, it sends liaisons from the COR Executive Committee to attend events hosted by the other councils and commissions. See the full lists of APLU councils and commissions.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

COR’s Research Leader Fellowship Program is designed to provide training and skill development for those who work closely in various capacities with the university’s senior research officer (SRO), including those who aspire to become SROs in the future. Recently promoted SROs are also welcome to apply. The program leverages COR’s network of research leaders and allows fellows to grow knowledge and connections across areas of expertise while expanding relationships between and among APLU, other professional organizations, and institutions.
- Applications for the next cohort of COR research leader fellows opens each April.

The APLU COR New and Future SORs Workshop is open to anyone interested in issues related to SROs and is usually organized adjacent to the COR Summer Meeting. The goal of this workshop is to provide a comprehensive overview of the SROs role, opportunities, and challenges.

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