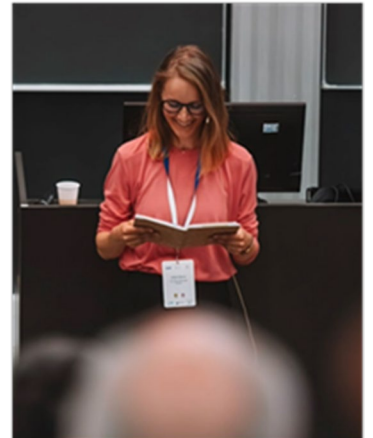


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*It is amazing to see many people, over 800 faces,
being interested in risks, safety, threats and crises.
All participating and having so much interesting to say
here at the joint conference of ESREL and SRA.
With so many problems in the world and things turning into a mess,
so many people crossing borders, coming together, it is fantastic – no less!
Having attended numerous talks, panels and sessions,
we've been given information and some important lessons.*



*Like, in the face of uncertainty and emerging crises: Do not sit around and wait,
but stand up and communicate!
But remember, not to act like a fool
and use AI as more than a tool!
Be humble, honest and do not lie,
admit you don't know everything and don't always know why.
This is necessary, this is a must
if you want to gain someone's trust.
People's trust is an important resource
that cannot grow under pressure and force.*

*Things in the world are happening so fast,
and decisions made now will have consequences that last.
And, for some risks, it is simply too late
to wait for statistical data to estimate.
While we all are here, there are people that shout and scream,
they are losing their hopes and their dearest dream.
So, let's not forget, while discussing, debating, taking pictures – saying cheese,
the goal of it all: security, safety and peace!
You may say I am a dreamer, but I hope I'm not the only one.
With these words I end this poem, and my work in this session is done.*