GRM Social Media Policy

GRC encourages the use of social media, such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Google+, and blogging as a way to share research among colleagues and with a wider audience. We therefore encourage all participants at the 2018 Gulf Research Meeting to make extensive use of social media platforms in order to share awareness and link to a link to a wider audience.

Conference Hashtag: #GRM2018  
Live-tweeting: #GRM  
Facebook posts: @Gulf Research Center  
Twitter handle: @Gulf_Research

At the same time, the GRC would like to ensure that everyone feels comfortable about the use of social media. As a result, we have put together the following guidelines for the use of social media during the Gulf Research Meeting:

- All the workshops follow the Chatham House Rule. Do not quote, identify, photograph or video-record speakers or participants without their express permission.
- Please get explicit consent before using someone else’s name, image or words on social media or before you tag them. Not doing so infringes on the intellectual property rights of the speakers.
- If you quote (after receiving explicit permission), make sure to reference the presenter and their affiliation. List speaker name, affiliation and conference hashtag in tweets. If the presenter is not on Twitter, give their first initial and last name. Remember that direct quotes get “quotation marks.”
- Do not use geotagging at the Gulf Research Meeting and do not be specific about what buildings you are in.
- Be respectful. If you would not say something to someone’s face, do not post about it online.
- People who do not want the audience to share their data / material for various reasons can use the following logo on their presentations. It can be used for the whole presentation, or only for some slides.

- Presenters can also put prepared tweets (140 characters) in small text at the bottom of slides with the message that they would like to have tweeted.
- Consider sharing on social media as a positive - studies have shown that social media coverage increases citation rates.