

DIAMOND OPEN ACCESS

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www.coalition-s.org

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www.anr.fr

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www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr

Introduction

'Diamond' Open Access refers to Open Access journals and platforms that are free to both authors and readers. In March 2021, the landmark 'Open Access Diamond Journals Study' uncovered for the first time the vast size and scope of this publication ecosystem. The estimated 17.000 to 29.000 journals worldwide are an essential component of scholarly communication, publishing 8 to 9% of the total publication volume and 45% of Open Access publishing.

Following the publication of the study, Science Europe is organising in collaboration with cOAlition S, OPERAS and the French National Research Agency (ANR) a workshop to discuss best practices and further develop the central elements of Diamond Open Access: efficiency, quality standards, capacity building, and sustainability. The event will take place online on Wednesday, 2 February 2022 and is sponsored by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

An outcome of the workshop will be an 'Action Plan for Diamond Open Access'. A summary of the main action lines will be presented by Lidia Borrell-Damián (Science Europe) and Johan Rooryck (cOAlition S) during a session on the future of academic publishing at the 'Open Science European Conference', organised by the French presidency of the Council of the European Union on 4 and 5 February.

Programme

Wednesday 2 February 2022

13.00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

by Lidia Borrell-Damián, Science Europe

Plenary session

13.05 Best practices in Diamond Open Access

Best practices in Diamond Open Access will be presented by a range of actors across the globe. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions.

- Redalyc/AmeliCA by Arianna Becerril, Redalyc/AmeliCA
- OpenEdition by Pierre Mounier, OPERAS
- Open Library of Humanities by Paula Clemente Vega, Open Library of Humanities
- Cybergeo by Christine Kosmopoulos, French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS)
- SciPost by Jean-Sébastien Caux, University of Amsterdam
- ► A funder's position and activities supporting Diamond Open Access by *Katharina Rieck*, Austrian Science Fund (FWF)

Moderator: Lidia Borrell-Damián, Science Europe

15.05 *Break*

Breakout sessions and Wrap-up

15.15 Efficiency, quality standards, capacity building, and sustainability in Diamond Open Access

Participants will discuss and refine in four breakout sessions the central elements of Diamond Open Access: efficiency, quality standards, capacity building, and sustainability. A draft of the action plan will be circulated as the basis for the moderated discussions. The last 15 minutes of the session will be dedicated to summarising the group's consensus and recommendations.

- 1. Efficiency session moderated by *Pierre Mounier*, OPERAS
- 2. Quality standards session moderated by *Johan Rooryck*, cOAlition S
- **3.** Capacity building session moderated by *Zoé Ancion*, French National Research Agency (ANR)
- Sustainability session moderated by Vanessa Proudman, SPARC Europe

16.45 *Break*

Plenary session

17.00 Reports of the breakout sessions

The consensus and recommendations by participants on the central elements of Diamond Open Access will be presented by the breakout session rapporteurs.

- **1.** Report on efficiency session by *Pilar Rico Castro*, Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT)
- 2. Report on quality standards session by *Clara Armengou*, Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
- **3.** Report on capacity building session by *Suzanne Dumouchel*, French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS)
- **4.** Report on sustainability session by *Bregt Saenen*, Science Europe

Moderator: Pierre Mounier, OPERAS

Plenary session

18.00 An action plan for Diamond Open Access

The draft action plan for Diamond Open Access and its objectives will be presented. Specific attention will be given to the recommendations by participants for further refinements and additions.

Moderator: Lidia Borrell-Damián, Science Europe

18.25 Closing remarks

by Johan Rooryck, cOAlition S

18.30 *Post-event socialising on gather.town*

