

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #14 20 August, 2026

Date: 20 August 2026

Time: **12pm** Brisbane time, **12pm** Melbourne and Sydney time (AEST), **10am** Perth time (AWST), **2pm** in NZ (NZDT)

Zoom Link:

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12:15 - 1:40pm	25 min	Presentation and questions/discussion Hamid Jamali and Simon Wakeling (CSU) Journal Publishing in Australia

1:40pm - 1:50pm	10-15mins	Ask the CoP - Tell the CoP • Got a question or problem you need help with? Ask the CoP! • Got an update to share with the group? Tell us what you're up to!
1:50pm - 1:55pm	5 min	Wrap up & closing
		Next Meeting: October 15 Insights from Canada's Library Publishing Landscape (CAUL, CARL and PKP Webinar)

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We have drafted a plan for a **new webpage** to be hosted on the Open Access Australasia website:

Proposed title:

Diamond Open Access in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand

Please add your feedback and suggestions:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1I2nr1QOb8luaTAjsvw904Fy8HzZAD-Rb/edit>

August 2026 - Meeting summary and links

3rd Global Summit on Diamond Open Access was held in February this year. This outcome document - the Roadmap - advances a shared vision for equitable, community-governed, and sustainable scholarly communication systems.

The release of the **Bengaluru Roadmap and Action Plan** on Diamond Open Access

reflects the deliberations of participants from 36 countries (including Australia) and sets out a shared global framework for transitioning scholarly communication toward a model that is free for authors and readers, community-governed, and grounded in the principle that scientific knowledge is a public good.

Read more here:

<https://oaaustralasia.org/bengaluru-roadmap-and-action-plan-on-diamond-open-access/>

There are six priority action areas.

- the integration of Diamond Open Access into national policy and legal frameworks
- the redirection of existing publishing expenditure toward community-governed, non-commercial infrastructures
- the reform of research evaluation systems that currently privilege commercial metrics over open and equitable publishing
- the strengthening of shared technical infrastructure and interoperability standards
- the formal recognition and support of the human labour sustaining scholarly communication
- the active promotion of linguistic diversity and historically marginalised knowledge systems.

Full Roadmap <https://zenodo.org/records/20168763>

The European Diamond Capacity Hub (EDCH) has updated their website with their guidelines and tools for those of us supporting Diamond journals – and those new to Diamond – it's a lot more user friendly and organised.

<https://resources.edch.eu/resources-and-guidelines>

Diamond open access journals in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand now eligible for inclusion in Diamond Discovery Hub

More information about the Diamond Discovery Hub is available at:

<https://ddh.edch.eu/docs/>

CoP member Hamid Jamali and co-authors Edward Luca and Simon Wakeling's piece in *The Conversation* on the need for more support for OA publishing – and more recognition for the Diamond model.

https://theconversation.com/so-much-research-is-already-free-to-read-in-australia-but-its-not-getting-the-support-it-needs-280044?utm_medium=article_clipboard_share&utm_source=theconversation.com

April 21: ACRL EBSS Scholarly Communication Committee Spring 2026 Webinar

Laura Mullen and Janet Catterall, both EICs at the *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication*, presentation on the journal's AI policy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zWiUvT8OE8I>

Preprint: Who Owns, Publishes, and Governs Diamond Open Access? Institutional Arrangements Among Journals Using Open Journal Systems by Natascha Chtena, Juan Pablo Alperin and Mikael Laakso https://osf.io/preprints/metaarxiv/72hjr_v1

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To submit journals to the DDH, organisations must first register and join the EDCH Registry network. Eligible entities include:

- Institutional publishers
- Publishing service providers
- Service, tools and technology providers
- National Capacity Centres

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Advocacy Toolkit for University-Based Publishing

The University-Based Publishing Futures community has just released an Advocacy Toolkit for University-Based Publishing.

About the toolkit: This advocacy toolkit is designed as scaffolding for libraries and university presses to develop arguments at their local institutions. It includes key messaging, template marketing collaterals, and a strategy worksheet. These resources are designed to help you identify your goals, focus on your local audience, craft messages that are likely to be persuasive, and organise communication channels available to you on your campus. They can help you sharpen your messaging to key stakeholders, engage decision makers, and easily produce collateral including stickers, flyers, and badges.

[UBPF Advocacy Toolkit - Google Docs](#)

The toolkit is initially being released as a view-only Google doc (no Google account required to access it), but an accessible PDF version will be added soon.

Consortium of Swiss Academic Libraries

The first national consortial funding scheme for Diamond Open Access journals in Switzerland that supports scholar-led journals through a community-driven approach.

The consortial funding scheme was developed in the framework of the CoDOA project (2025-2026), led by the Consortium of Swiss Academic Libraries in collaboration with ten partner institutions.

<https://uit.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=1681c813-eb7c-4f91-8d94-b436007fca0c>

And - they've launched their website: <https://www.diamondopenaccess.ch/>

Publication facts label

For those of us using OJS to publish Diamond journals – a post from Alice Meadows on the new Publication Facts Label from PKP (like the nutrition labels on food packages):
<https://blog.doaj.org/2026/04/22/introducing-the-publication-facts-label-another-tool-in-your-research-integrity-toolkit/>

Reclaiming scientific publishing

A new blog post from CoP member Romain Vaucher on the benefits of Diamond OA

<https://blogs.egu.eu/divisions/hs/2026/06/02/reclaiming-scientific-publishing-our-duty-to-make-science-freely-accessible-to-all>

In this post for European Geosciences Union (EGU), Camille Thomas and Romain Vaucher claim open access hasn't delivered on its promise of making research truly accessible and fair. Instead, it has largely been co-opted by major publishers and turned into a system that still benefits large, profit-driven publishing companies, shifting costs from readers to authors (via APCs)

Communication and Knowledge Sharing About Libraries' Support for Non-Author-Fee Open Access - recommend this watch!

Both these OASPA webinars may be of interest – the first was in June (Part 1) and the second (Part 2) was held in July

Part 1:

<https://www.oaspa.org/events/collective-actors-libraries-supporting-open-access-without-author-charges-wayfinders-7/>

Part 2:

https://www.oaspa.org/events/communication-and-knowledge-sharing-about-libraries-support-for-open-access-without-author-charges-libraries-as-collective-actors-part-2/?utm_source=OASPA+News&utm_campaign=1fb2c489ee-Beyond+the+ivory+tower+Jan+2026_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-381260b022-395347589

Speakers Robin Sinn (Iowa State Uni), Sarah Thompson (Uni of York), and Jack Hyland (IReL) discuss and answer advocacy questions related to promoting OA in university libraries in part 1 ... and there were so many questions that an additional webinar (part 2) was held with a good discussion around practical help for libraries and publishing organisations.

Open Access Australasia updates:

CORE: COnnecting REpositories - An Open Scholarly Infrastructure Supporting Repositories

CORE webinar <https://oaaustralasia.org/events/core-connecting-repositories/>

September 14
2pm (AEST) 4pm (NZST)

Rights Retention: Second workshop on contract language

<https://oaaustralasia.org/understanding-the-terms-in-a-publishing-contract-an-oaa-member-forum-event/>

September 23
11am (AEST) 1pm (NZST)

Hamid Jamali and Simon Wakeling - CSU - Scholarly journal publishing in Australia

Links to publications:

Scholarly journal publishing in Australia
<http://doi.org/10.1002/leap.1446>

Why do journals discontinue? A study of Australian ceased journals
<https://doi.org/10.1002/leap.1448>

Roles, Challenges, and Sustainability of Australian Journals: A Survey of Editors
<https://doi.org/10.1515/opis-2025-0013>

Local or global? Factors influencing authorship composition of Australian journals
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11192-025-05360-9>

Are Local Journals More Policy Relevant? Evidence From Policy Citations to Australian Journals
<https://doi.org/10.1515/opis-2025-0028>

So much research is already free to read in Australia – but it's not getting the support it needs
<https://doi.org/10.64628/AA.y4hakjjwm>

The peer review system is breaking down. Here's how we can fix it
<https://doi.org/10.64628/AA.cmqndpgp4>

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Meeting #13 16 April, 2026

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		Next Meeting: June 18

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Wikidata - Diamond Journals Aus/NZ

https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/User:Stuartyeates/DiamondOpenAccess#Australian_and_New_Zealand_diamond_open_access_journals

Very handy site to keep up with all news in OA: Open Access Tracking Project (OATP)

<https://tagteam.harvard.edu/hubs/oatp/items>

Useful websites, forums and blogs for OA and Diamond OA

Welcome to the **European Diamond Capacity Hub community!**

This is a dynamic space designed for you—people involved in European Diamond Open Access publishing. Here, you can exchange ideas, collaborate, and innovate to tackle challenges and share best practices. Make this space your own—shape it, contribute to it, and let it grow with your needs! <https://forum.edch.eu/>

DOAJ Blog <https://blog.doaj.org/>

UCL Press in the UK

<https://journals.uclpress.co.uk/news/>

Global News:

Open Research Europe:

Open Research Europe is an open access publishing venue for European Commission-funded researchers across all disciplines, with no author fees
<https://open-research-europe.ec.europa.eu/> - News statement:

https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/new-era-open-research-europe-2026-03-26_en

A New Shield for Diamond Open Access in Europe - AEGIS-OA (Activate European Guidance and Incentives for Sustainable Open Access publishing), a new Horizon Europe project, launched on 19–20 March 2026 in Brussels. This project brings together 24 partners from 16 countries, aiming to strengthen a sustainable, high-quality Diamond OA publishing ecosystem in Europe. More details:

<https://edch.eu/new-shield-diamond-open-access-europe-launching-aegis-oa-project>

EIFL have updated and revised version their checklist to support editors and publishers of open access journals who use Open Journals Systems (OJS) software – main updates:

- Tips on plugins, journal workflows, and policies
- Guidance on system security, preservation, and usage statistics
- Recommendations to improve accessibility, visibility, and discoverability
- Best practices for OA journal publishing
- A dedicated section on indexing in the DOAJ and Google Scholar

<https://www.eifl.net/resources/eifl-checklist-good-practices-using-open-journal-systems-software-journal-editing-and>

Who are EIFL? EIFL (Electronic Information for Libraries) is a not-for-profit organisation that works with libraries to enable access to knowledge in developing and transition economy countries

Norway: The government will expand a national funding model to ensure the core portfolio of their Norwegian-language journals publish according to the Diamond model.

The documentation is in Norwegian, but the LinkedIn Post is here if interested:

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/vidar-r%C3%B8eggen-9186643_diamondoa-bibliodiversity-in-naallanguages-share-7437862462034575360-mDGx/?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAADBQQ0Bot3WepFtmjkUTybfW9Kdwb--mfA

From The Scholarly Kitchen: Diamond Dreams, Unequal Realities: The Promise and Pitfalls of No-APC Open Access

The piece highlights that while Diamond OA removes financial barriers for authors and readers, its long-term viability depends on coordinated institutional support, shared infrastructure, and recognition of publishing labour. Without this, the model risks uneven participation across regions and disciplines

<https://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2025/10/15/diamond-dreams-unequal-realities-the-promise-and-pitfalls-of-no-apc-open-access/>

UCL Press was established in 2015 and are the UK's first fully OA university press (journals, books, textbooks)

A recent post from them - There is a shift in the global conversation about publishing – and Diamond OA is at the core

https://journals.uclpress.co.uk/news/161/?utm_source=linkedin&utm_medium=organic+social&utm_campaign=diamond-oa-blogs-2026&utm_content=blog-post-3 The other posts in this series can be found at <https://journals.uclpress.co.uk/news/tag/Diamond%20OA/>

Diamond is the new Green—Why Green Open Access is not a sustainable long-term model for scientific publishing Romain Vaucher and Camille Thomas

<https://doi.org/10.57035/journals/sdk.2026.e41.2397>

In recent decades, the academic publishing world has aimed to transition from a paywall-dominated system to Open Access (OA). While OA seeks to make scientific knowledge freely available, the sustainability of current models remains debated. This article examines the three main OA publishing routes (Green, Gold and Diamond) and argues that, while Green OA offers short-term accessibility benefits, it perpetuates dependence upon for-profit publishers and fails to address systemic inequities. Gold OA shifts financial responsibility to authors through high article processing charges (APC), further exacerbating disparities.

This is a neat little set of plugins developed by Martina Dvořáková and Radek Gomola from Masaryk University Press. This set of free, open-source tools from the CRAFT-OA project designed to significantly improve the visibility and discoverability of Diamond journals.

Read more here:

<https://blog.doaj.org/2026/03/10/making-open-access-journals-visible-how-your-journal-can-shine-with-ojs-diamond-plugins/>

The Discoverability Companion (DISCO) is designed as an inventory of requirements set by scholarly databases, indexes, and aggregators. Building on the Guide to Scholarly Indexes, DISCO consolidates these requirements into a single, structured overview. Many databases require very similar criteria but describe them using different terminology. This can make the application process confusing and time-consuming for editors. DISCO addresses this problem by translating diverse requirements into a unified framework that is easy to understand and navigate.

Open Interview blog - OA in Australasia

<https://openinterview.org/2026/03/30/tracy-creagh-misconceptions-about-open-access-models-persist-even-after-two-decades/>

Diamond OA, boutique or bazaar? A reply to Herb (2026)

Johan Rooryck (co-coordinator European Diamond Capacity Hub at OPERAS Research Infrastructure) <https://thd.hypotheses.org/560>

Webinar:

AI and Scholarly Publishing

EBSS Scholarly Communication Committee Spring Webinar (Michigan State University)

Join the ACRL EBSS Scholarly Communication Committee and our expert panelists for a discussion on AI and scholarly publishing. Janet Catterall and Laura Bowering Mullen from the Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication will be discussing their work with the journal and scholarly communication, AI, and more. Issues regarding AI use are evolving rapidly, and this is reflected in changing journal policies and new standards for both authors and reviewers. Panelists will share their thoughts on the changing landscape of scholarly publishing and what opportunities and challenges they foresee as AI use and resistance continue to progress.

April 22 (6am AEST time - 8am NZST)

https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ICSqgexsTeaCrTzHWSw1_A#/registration

Collaborative work:

Diamond OA journal list:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PhMh1OQxOimYBgduuOaSjjKJdBQuxlvv/edit?gid=1573314353#gid=1573314353>

Collaborative working doc (setting up an open access journal - good practice resources and guidelines) -

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1T3drOYQxRiBgNIXBFWP9DTnmEvSXBuY/edit#heading=h.u29qoij33ffz>

Padlet: <https://padlet.com/deakinenterprise/diamond-sub-group-2026-6ai64h2g9ypfxmf1>

Meeting #12, 19th of February, 2026

Date: 19 February 2026

Time: **11AM** Brisbane time (AEST), **12PM** Melbourne and Sydney time (ADST), **9AM**

Perth time (AWST), **2pm** in NZ (NZDT)

Zoom Link:

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CoP webpage:

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Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping - Welcome & Acknowledgement of country - Refresh - who are we?
10 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space globally
15-20 min	Padlet Activity We want to hear from members: - Why have you joined the CoP? - What do you hope to get out of these CoP meetings? - What specific topic and/or questions would you like to see explored in this CoP? - What are the key issues for Diamond publishing at this time? - People/tools you would like showcased?
15-20 min <i>end by 1:55</i>	Ask the CoP: - Got a question or problem you need help with? Ask the CoP! - Got an update to share with the group? Tell us what you're up to!
5 min	Wrap up & closing Close with a reminder of the next meeting in 2026 - April 16

Contact us if you'd like to give a short presentation or talk on a future topic!

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What's happening internationally in Diamond Open Access - links from the slides February 19

A new resource from EIFL: Generative AI in Diamond Open Access Publishing

This structured selection of resources helps editors and publishers of Diamond Open Access (OA) journals understand and address the implications of generative artificial intelligence (AI) in scholarly publishing.

<https://zenodo.org/records/17580185>

ALMASI Project - first scoping report: Landscape Report on Diamond Open Access Publishing in Africa, Europe, and Latin America <https://zenodo.org/records/18221356> - findings:

- There is wide variation in how developed and comprehensive Diamond OA policies are, and most lack stable structural funding.
- Platforms, regional portals, and digital infrastructures play a crucial role in supporting Diamond OA, even though their quality and maturity differ.
- Diamond OA publishing relies heavily on unpaid volunteer labour, which is often overlooked and unrewarded.
- Because there are few academic incentives for working with Diamond OA journals, the model struggles with continuity, quality, and scalability across many ecosystems.

How Two Canadian Organizations Created a National Model for Diamond Open Access

<https://katinamagazine.org/content/article/open-knowledge/2026/two-canadian-organizations-model-diamond-open-access>

New article from Maryna Nazarovets, Mikael Laakso and Zehra Taşkın:

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11192-025-05535-4> plus, their piece in LSE on university journal publishers

<https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/impactofsocialsciences/2026/02/05/university-journal-publishers-global-messy-and-underestimated/>

University journals in the global academic publishing landscape: Mapping over 19,000 diverse titles based on Ulrichsweb data

The most comprehensive investigation of university published journals to date, providing a mapping and profiling of 19,414 journals around the world (including data from Scopus, Web of Science, OpenAlex and DOAJ)

Some key insights:

✓ Journals published by universities are a large, heterogeneous, and geographically dispersed group that lacks centralized representation and mechanisms for promoting common interests, but this does not reduce their importance in the global landscape.

✓ Limited representation in selective indexes reinforces global inequalities because it “hides” most of this output from evaluation and recognition mechanisms.

✓ We can cautiously conclude (due to limited data) that most OA UJs do not have APCs, i.e., they are structurally consistent with Diamond OA and are already implementing what international policies are only proclaiming. Accordingly, they are a valuable source for exploring this experience.

Did you know?

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<https://pkpschool.sfu.ca/courses/>

ALMASI

As part of the ALMASI Project (Aligning and Mutualizing Nonprofit Open Access Publishing Services Internationally), SPARC Europe is leading a new unique Diamond OA Policy Forum. This forum convenes international, national, and institutional policymakers and funders in Africa, Europe, and Latin America to share expertise and discuss nonprofit scholarly publishing policy and funding needs, progress, and challenges.

Collaborative documents - for all members to contribute

Australasian Diamond Discovery Hub - *please add your Diamond journals*

[Australasian Diamond Journals.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)

Collaborative document on the resources, guidelines and websites we are using that help us with our Diamond OA Journals - please add!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1T3drOYQxRIBjgNIXBFWP9DTnmEvSXBuY/edit#heading=h.u29qoij33ffz>

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Meeting #11, 4th of December 2025

Date: 4 December 2025

Time: 1-2pm (AEST) 2-3pm (ADST) 11am-12pm (AWST); 3-4pm (NZST)

Zoom Link:

https://events.zoom.us/j/As26trlpz19Q6S_Co6uPqm9-pyffusdRPHfXHxtBcoAsJK0u8JdK~AmC6fXTB_dPZQXj60-eSMAY3a5ONZ9ycakd2ih6bTIdaqMPA-CQsAp7d0A

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20 min	Watch-Along Excerpts from Webinar: Mainstreaming Diamond Regional perspectives, Shared Futures <i>October 29, 2025</i>
20 min <i>end by 1:55</i>	Q&A and open discussion
5 min	Wrap up & closing Announcement of new CoP convenors in 2026 Close with a reminder of the next meeting in 2026 - TBC

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What's happening internationally in Diamond Open Access - links from the slides December 4

UNESCO Report: Advancing equity and inclusion in scholarly communication: Findings from the consultation on a Global Diamond Open Access Framework

<https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf0000396324>

The Open Access Journals Toolkit (developed by Open Access Scholarly Publishing Association and DOAJ) has released two updates:

New content on Accessibility Remediation Resources.

<https://www.oajournals-toolkit.org/getting-started/accessibility-remediation-resources>

New content on Long-term digital archiving and preservation

<https://www.oajournals-toolkit.org/long-term-digital-archiving-and-preservation>

Lyrisis, Big Ten Academic Alliance Libraries, and California Digital Library Receive Grant to Advance Diamond Open Access in the United States

<https://lyrisis.org/lyrisis-big-ten-academic-alliance-libraries-and-california-digital-library-receive-grant-to-advance-diamond-open-access-in-the-united-states/>

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Articles:

OASPA, in partnership with Research Consulting Limited, has published a new position paper: Embracing the Complexity of '100% OA': from Percentage to Participation

<https://www.oaspa.org/news/embracing-the-complexity-of-100-oa-from-percentage-to-participation/>

UKSG Insights. Shine bright like a diamond: What can library hosting services offer in the academic publishing market? Cath Dishman and Rebecca Wojturska

<https://insights.uksg.org/articles/10.1629/uksg.707>

Webinars:

OASPA Wayfinders Webinar on Diamond CoPs

<https://www.oaspa.org/events/diamond-oa-communities-of-practice-in-action-wayfinders-6/>

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As part of the ALMASI Project (Aligning and Mutualizing Nonprofit Open Access Publishing Services Internationally), SPARC Europe is leading a new unique Diamond OA Policy Forum. This forum convenes international, national, and institutional policymakers and funders in Africa, Europe, and Latin America to share expertise and discuss nonprofit scholarly publishing policy and funding needs, progress, and challenges.

Wednesday, 29 October 2025

Australasian Diamond Discovery Hub - *please add your Diamond journals*

[Australasian Diamond Journals.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)

Collaborative document on the resources, guidelines and websites we are using that help us with our Diamond OA Journals - please add!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1T3drOYQxRIBjgNIXBFWP9DTnmEvSXBuY/edit#heading=h.u29qoij33ffz>

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #10, 16 October 2025

Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 1-2pm (AEST) 2-3pm (ADST) 11am-12pm (AWST); 3-4pm (NZST)

Zoom Link:

https://events.zoom.us/jv/As26trlpz19Q6S_Co6uPqm9-pyffusdRPHfXHxtBcoAsJK0u8JdK~AmC6fXTB_dPZQXj60-eSMAY3a5ONZ9ycakd2ih6bTIdaqMPA-CQsAp7d0A

CoP webpage:

<https://oaaustralasia.org/australian-scholarly-communications-community-of-practice-diamond-journal-publishing-subgroup/>

Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping Welcome & Acknowledgement of country
5 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space around the world
20 min	The Sparkle Starts Here: Where (and How) to Begin with Diamond OA Diamond OA journal setup - resources working bee https://docs.google.com/document/d/1T3drOYQxRIBjgNIXBFWP9DTnmEvSXBuY/edit#heading=h.u29qoij33ffz

20 min <i>end by</i> 1:55	Q&A and open discussion
5 min	Wrap up & closing Reminder of EOIs for new CoP convenors in 2026 EOI form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc5beNtlBd-GzAMy8u56tTb6llh-H_quJFtaOol5kdUNtrntg/viewform • Close with a reminder of the next meeting: December 4 (1-2pm AEST)

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What's happening internationally in Diamond Open Access - links from the slides October 16

October CoP: Links from meeting slides

CRAFT-OA Project launches Diamond Discovery Hub to catalogue Diamond journals in Europe

Details: <https://www.craft-oa.eu/ddh-verifying-journals/>

DDH: <https://ddh.diamas.org/en>

A university in Brazil (Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina) just published a "Normative Ordinance" that officially regulates the workload for professors who work as editors of their journals. According to the new regulation:

a) The Editor-in-Chief of Journals linked to the university may devote up to 20 hours a week to editorial functions.

b) The Deputy Editor of Journals linked to the university will have up to 5 hours a week.

<https://periodicos.bu.ufsc.br/portaria-normativa-editores-portal-de-periodicos-ufsc/>

Marie-Eve Dugas at Coalition Publica and Érudit, together with their library partners, have published a *Roadmap for SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Journals: Adopting Best Practices in Diamond Open Access*, a comprehensive checklist to help journals plan their transition to open access. While this roadmap is specifically designed to support Canadian journals in

meeting their funder's Diamond open access requirements, we believe it could be helpful to many journals around the world

<https://apropos.erudit.org/best-practices-diamond-open-access/?lang=en>

Articles:

Point of View: How the Global South is reshaping scholarly communication - Humberto Debat Is a corresponding author | Zuchukwu Azuka Okafor Mercury Shitindo Olavo B Amaral Nurul Izzati Chandana Basu Mallick Awika O Henry Roseline Dzekem Dine Carolina Santacruz-Perez <https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.108426>

What can a researcher do to contribute to diamond open access? Here are eight suggestions. kirjoittanut Juuso P Ala-Kyyny.

<https://blogs.helsinki.fi/thinkopen/diamond-oa-challenge-2024/#%3A~%3Atext=It%20would%20be%20important%20to%20can%20they%20must%20be%20cited%21%E2%80%9D>

CRAFT-OA Project - Final Conference

All days recorded

All days recorded

Day 1 (includes UNESCO International survey of Diamond OA 39mins in)

<https://www.youtube.com/live/XVgeQVDn5GA>

Day 2 (includes the DDH launch and a cute animated video at around 32mins in)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDuA6IBGCXA>

Day 3 (includes Diamond OA in Europe and beyond) <https://youtu.be/NEhu-C4mpDI>

Other:

Marie-Eve Dugas at Coalition Publica and Érudit, together with their library partners, have published

Roadmap for SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Journals: Adopting Best Practices in Diamond Open Access <https://apropos.erudit.org/best-practices-diamond-open-access/?lang=en>

Webinars:

Mainstreaming Diamond - Regional Perspectives, Shared Futures

Reflecting on this year's Open Access Week theme, Who Owns Our Knowledge? the Open Library of Humanities has invited key voices from the diamond open access community to share what their respective organisations are doing to support and advance diamond OA.

Date: Friday 24 October 2025

Time: 1:00 – 2:30 pm BST | 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm CET

Registration: Free.

Speakers: Kira Hopkins, Scholarly Publishing Outreach Officer at Copim Open Book Futures

(Birkbeck College, University of London); Joanna Ball, Managing Director of the Directory of Open Access Journals; Caroline Edwards, Professor of Contemporary Literature and Culture at Birkbeck, University of London and Executive Director of the Open Library of Humanities; Joe Deville, Managing Director of the Open Book Collective and Professor in Science and Technology Studies at Lancaster University; and, Dr Rupert Gatti, Director of Open Book Publishers (a Diamond OA publisher).

<https://www.openlibhums.org/news/862/>

ALMASI

Join the launch of the Diamond OA Policy Forum

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The launch event of the Diamond OA Policy Forum takes place on Wednesday, 29 October 2025 at 16:00-17:30 CET. (2am in Melbourne)

The meeting will start with a helicopter view of the non-profit publishing landscape in the three regions. Next, a panel of national and institutional policymakers will discuss policy and funding successes for non-profit publishing in each of the three regions. A final session will discuss with participants how the Forum can serve the regional interests of Africa, Europe, and Latin America.

Register

https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/17N48AJDQgCnzZwftH6ZPA?utm_source=SPARC+Europe+Members&utm_campaign=e4b4138d06-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_11_25_02_57_COPY_02&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a07e537db7-e4b4138d06-100972187#/registration

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #9, 21 August 2025

Date: 21 August 2025

Time: 1-2pm AEST 11am-12pm (AWST); 3-4pm (NZST)

Zoom Link:

https://events.zoom.us/j/As26trlpz19Q6S_Co6uPqm9-pyffusdRPHfXHxtBcoAsJK0u8JdK~AmC6fXTB_dPZQXj60-eSMAY3a5ONZ9ycakd2ih6bTIdaqMPA-CQsAp7d0A

CoP webpage:

<https://oaaustralasia.org/australian-scholarly-communications-community-of-practice-diamond-journal-publishing-subgroup/>

Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping Welcome & Acknowledgement of country
5 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space around the world
20 min	Panel of editors: - Janet Cattterall, Editor-in-Chief, <i>Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication</i> - Lauren Halcomb-Smith, <i>Journal of Belonging, Identity, Language, and Diversity</i>
20 min <i>end by 1:55</i>	Q&A and open discussion Questions for panelists and discussion
5 min	Wrap up & closing Close with a reminder of the next meeting: October 16 (1-2pm AEST)

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What's happening internationally in Diamond Open Access - links from the slides August 21

DIAMAS

Project surveys, findings, reports and tools and resources released to-date:

<https://zenodo.org/records/15518745>

ALMASI (launched 2025)

<https://almasiproject.org/>

Crossref

Changing fees to increase equity and reduce complexity (changes apply from January 2026)

<https://www.crossref.org/blog/changing-fees-to-increase-equity-and-reduce-complexity/>

UNESCO Consultation on Diamond OA

Presented results of global consultation on Diamond OA (July 3)

<https://www.unesco.org/en/diamond-open-access>

Open Science NL awards grant to strengthen the Netherlands University Presses (NUP) network

<https://www.openaccess.nl/en/events/open-science-nl-awards-grant-to-strengthen-the-netherlands-university-presses-network>

DOAJ Blog Post

Tuwhera

<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/07/29/tuwhera-a-commitment-to-open-access-and-a-sustainable-and-equitable-knowledge-commons/>

Article:

We need to rethink the way we identify diamond open access journals in quantitative science studies. *Quantitative Science Studies* (2024) 5 (4): 1042–1046.

Marc-André Simard, Leigh-Ann Butler, Juan Pablo Alperin and Stefanie Haustein

Special Issue:

Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication. Volume 12 • Issue 2 • 2024 • Special Issue: Open Access: Diverse Experiences and Expectations (2024-25)

<https://iastatedigitalpress.com/jlsc/issue/1264/info/>

Upcoming event:

OAI14 – Open Science in a changing world

The 14th OAI Workshop will take place online 10-14 November 2025. This event is a premier global event on Open Science (and it's free). The theme of OAI14 is Open Science in a changing world <https://oai.events/oai14/>

Keeping up to-date with:

<https://www.openaccess.nl/en/diamond-open-access/about>

Australasian Diamond Discovery Hub - please add your Diamond journals

[Australasian Diamond Journals.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)

Announcements/mentions/events from members:

[Access Denied: Verfassungsblog, DOAJ, and the Meaning of “Scholarly”](#),

Verfassungsblog, 13 June 2025

Response from DOAJ:

<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/07/09/what-is-a-scholarly-journal-a-case-study-of-applying-the-doaj-criteria/>

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #8, 19 June 2025

Date: 19 June 2025

Time: 1-2pm AEST 11am-12pm (AWST); 3-4pm (NZST)

Zoom Link:

https://events.zoom.us/j/As26trlpz19Q6S_Co6uPqm9-pyffusdRPHfXHxtBcoAsJK0u8JdK~AmC6fXTB_dPZQXj60-eSMAY3a5ONZ9ycakd2ih6bTIdaqMPA-CQsAp7d0A

CoP webpage:

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Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping Welcome & Acknowledgement of country
5-10 min	Topic recap
5 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space around the world
10 min +5 for questions/ comments	Research Update Roles, Challenges, and Sustainability of Australian Journals Hamid Jamali, Simon Wakeling and Edward Luca - reporting findings from a study involving in-depth interviews with 27 editors, regarding the issues facing journal editors - greatest challenge: finding reviewers - an existential crisis? - comes down to incentives and recognition - for a sustainable system, everyone needs to review 2x as many articles as they publish - many concerned with the lack of institutional support - tensions b/w national relevance and international recognition - tended to be little handover when editors moved on - editors' challenges include communications and relationship management; time poverty; lack of recognition; succession planning - of editors: 45% received no compensation; 35% received an honorarium (small amount of money, not a wage); 12% received workload recognition; 17% 'other'.

10 min +5 for questions/ comments	Lightning Talk VUW: Help! The Journal of New Zealand Studies got cloned! Nik Crombie and Max Sullivan, Digital Research Services Coordinator, Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington - new topic: journal hijacking - VUW's OJS support: launched in 2012, currently supporting 20 titles - JNZS accepted into Scopus in 2019; was cloned in Feb 2023 - Clone used similar URL (but .com), had fake non-NZ articles, had a similar website layout and copied logos, - VUW Digital Research Services met with Uni legal team - received written permission from journal editors to act on their behalf - sent cease-and-desist letters to the hosting website (ignored) - contacted National Library of NZ, to secure ISSN registration - legit OJS homepage updated with warning and copyright notice - DMCA (Copyright) complaint to Google was successful, but it took months of follow-ups - 31 articles published on clone site, at estimated 6,665 USD profit for the predatory publisher - the predatory publishers are getting more sophisticated, with OAI-PMH feeds, working DOIs, running OJS
15 min <i>end by</i> <i>1:55</i>	Q&A and open discussion • Discussing lightning talk and research update
5 min	Wrap up & closing • Close with a reminder of the next meeting - August 21 (1-2pm AEST)

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ALMASI (launched 2025)

<https://almasiproject.org/>

OJS 3.5 update - Recommend short 5 minute summary

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hbo9BA1NwSs>

New article:

Federating diamond OA in Europe and beyond: The European Diamond Capacity Hub (EDCH) Pierre Mounier and Johan Rooryck <https://doi.org/10.1629/uksg.683> Insights (UKSG Journal)

News:

N8 Research Partnership calls for urgent reform of scholarly publishing models

<https://www.n8research.org.uk/n8-research-partnership-calls-for-urgent-reform-of-scholarly-publishing-models/>

“The N8 Research Partnership has released a statement urging fundamental reform in the way scholarly research is published, citing concerns over the financial sustainability, equity, and transparency of the current publishing system.” The N8 Research Partnership is a collaboration of the eight most research intensive universities in the North of England: Durham, Lancaster, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Sheffield and York)

Presentation:

Scholarly Communication landscape scan:

Danny Kingsley, Director Library Services (Information) at Deakin, was hosted by the Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP) on May 22nd https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RvL1ZqSHx_4

Research Update (Simon Wakeling, Edward Luc and Hamid Jamali)

Sustainability of Australian journals - research and interviews with editors:

Challenges in finding reviewers peer review (link shared by Hamid)

[https://www.cell.com/matter/fulltext/S2590-2385\(25\)00204-8](https://www.cell.com/matter/fulltext/S2590-2385(25)00204-8)

VUW Journals (Nik Crombie and Max Sullivan)

Cloning of journals - some helpful resources:

Hammett et al. Responding to the growing issue of ‘journal hijacking’. International Development Planning Review 46, 345-348(2024). <https://doi.org/10.3828/idpr.2024.19>

Hijacked Journal Checker.

<https://retractionwatch.com/the-retraction-watch-hijacked-journal-checker/>

Müller, Sune Dueholm. My journal was hijacked: an editor’s experience.

<https://retractionwatch.com/2023/11/03/my-journal-was-hijacked-an-editors-experience/>

Australasian Diamond Discovery Hub - *please add your Diamond journals*

[Australasian Diamond Journals.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)

Announcements/mentions/events from members:

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #7, 17 April 2025

Date: 17 April 2025

Time: 1-2pm AEST

Zoom Link:

https://events.zoom.us/j/As26trlpz19Q6S_Co6uPqm9-pyffusdRPHfXHxtBcoAsJK0u8JdK~AmC6fXTB_dPZQXj60-eSMAY3a5ONZ9ycakd2ih6bTIdaqMPA-CQsAp7d0A

CoP webpage:

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Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping • Welcome & Acknowledgement of country •
5-10 min	Topic recap
10 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space

	• A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space around the world
10 min	Lightning Talk <i>Rusted open: Two decades of open access publishing at UTS ePress</i> - Duncan Loxton, UTS
20 min <i>end by 1:50</i>	Q&A and open discussion • Discussing lightning talk • Discussing theme
5 min	Wrap up & closing • Close with a reminder of the next meeting - June 19 (1-2pm AEST)

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What's happening internationally in Diamond Open Access - links from the slides April 17

DIAMAS

Project surveys, findings, reports and tools and resources released to-date:

<https://diamasproject.eu/the-results/>

ALMASI (launched 2025)

<https://almasiproject.org/>

Open Journals Collective *NEW!*

<https://openjournalscollective.org/>

and recommend this read as a good summary of their intentions

<https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/impactofsocialsciences/2025/03/31/academic-libraries-cannot-afford-to-carry-on-with-transformative-agreements/>

DOAJ to retire SEAL - all details

<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/04/09/our-metadata-changes-are-live-and-the-seal-has-been-retired/> includes a link to talking points

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mh1Upg6sigvHTt674srbn3_CMAIqIF84-6N5ITpm8xY/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.hyjg4jein8kz

DOAJ goes Diamond (for 2025) - all details

<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/04/15/doaj-and-diamond-our-focus-for-2025/>

Australasian Diamond Discovery Hub - *please add your Diamond journals*

[Australasian Diamond Journals.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)

Announcements from members

Nathalie Fargier presenting French national open infrastructure for both repositories and diamond publishing

<https://oaaustralasia.org/events/national-approaches-to-open-research-nathalie-fargier-presents-hal-and-episciences/>

winners of the 2025 Award for Outstanding Scholarship in Library Publishing

<https://librarypublishing.org/announcing-the-winners-of-the-2025-award-for-outstanding-scholarship-in-library-publishing/>

Library Publishing Forum <https://librarypublishing.org/program/>

WEBINAR: A Scholarly Communications landscape scan and update

Join us for a (hopefully!) insightful session as Danny Kingsley discusses some of the current geopolitical developments and trends and how they are and might impact scholarly communications in 2025.

This special meeting will cover:

- *What's happening now in the scholarly communications landscape*
- *What developments should we be looking out for*
- *Practical strategies and actions we can take in response*

Don't miss this valuable opportunity to gain perspective on the evolving scholarly communications environment and to discuss the implications for our community's work and future.

When: Thursday, May 22, 2025, 1:00 PM AEST

Where: [Register here](#) to join us via Zoom

Diamond Journal Publishing Subgroup, Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice (AuSCCoP)

Meeting #6, 20 February 2025

Date: 20 February 2025

Time: 11am-12pm AEST

Zoom Link: <https://qut.zoom.us/j/87558031371?pwd=aQJg32Fac1J1Vhwcl2s3jeoCJWsZbl.1>

CoP webpage:

<https://oaaustralasia.org/australian-scholarly-communications-community-of-practice-diamond-journal-publishing-subgroup/>

Duration	Activity
5 min	Housekeeping • Welcome & Acknowledgement of country • Co-convenors for 2025
5-10 min	Topic recap • Outcomes of April 2024 Jamboard and December 2024 Mentimeter brainstorming

	• Topics for 2025 • Call for contributions/presentations
10 min	Updates in the Diamond OA space • A summary of what's happening in the Diamond OA space around the world
10 min	Actions for 2025 • Mapping Diamond Journal activity in Australasia • What would the community like?
20 min <i>end by 2:50</i>	Break-out rooms • Getting to know you 😊 • Discussing developments in Diamond space
5 min	Wrap up & closing • Close with a reminder of the next meeting - April 17 (1-2pm AEST)

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2024 Advocacy Links:

"Shine on you crazy diamonds: New community of practice for diamond OA journal publishing."
Open Access Australasia. Blog post. 10 April 2024.

<https://oaaustralasia.org/shine-on-you-crazy-diamonds-new-community-of-practice-for-diamond-oa-journal-publishing/>

"Communities in Action: Cutting through the rough with diamond journals and open knowledge."
Open Access Australasia. Panel for OA Week. 23 October 2024.

<https://oaaustralasia.org/events/open-access-week-2024/>

"Diamonds - everyone's best friend: Using diamond open access to increase inclusivity."
OEGlobal Conference (13-15 November 2024). Presentation. 14 November 2024.

<https://oeglobal2024.sched.com/event/1pHPM/diamonds-everyones-best-friend-using-diamond-open-access-to-increase-inclusivity-id-88>

"Diamond Journal Publishing – Gems from Australia." DOAJ. Guest Blog post. December 2024

<https://blog.doaj.org/2024/12/12/diamond-journal-publishing-gems-from-australia/>

What's happening in Diamond Open Access (internationally) - links:

2nd Global Summit on Diamond OA

<https://doasummit.uct.ac.za/conference-on-diamond-open-access/> and outcomes
<https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/diamond-open-access-advancing-knowledge-public-good>

Main program recording at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCSUN_KuqUI

Link to Dimity Flanagan's presentation

https://youtu.be/nCSUN_KuqUI?si=9Ar0qfCvS5u_1YFu&t=6074

Thanks so much Dimity for sharing!

DOAJ Survey 2024

Results and outcomes Part 1 (Clarity around PIDs and removal of some links to journal policies)
<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/01/08/results-of-our-community-consultation-forthcoming-changes-to-our-metadata-part-i/>

Part 2 (Retiring the Seal)

<https://blog.doaj.org/2025/01/08/results-of-our-community-consultation-forthcoming-changes-to-our-metadata-part-ii/>

The DIAMAS Project

<https://diamasproject.eu/>

DIAMAS has released a self-assessment tool for those of us working with Diamond journals
<https://diamas.fecyt.es/>

Information about the tool can be found at <https://diamas.fecyt.es/instructions>

What to keep an eye on in 2025

CRAFT-OA Project finishes at the end of 2025 - set to produce training resources, toolkits etc.
<https://www.craft-oa.eu/>

DIAMAS Conference in Brussels June 2025

ALMASI

<https://lalist.inist.fr/aligning-and-mutualizing-nonprofit-open-access-publishing-services-internationally-almasi/>

To add to your reading list:

The Munin Conference on Scholarly Publishing 2024 <https://site.uit.no/muninconf/programme/>

Presentations and articles published OA at <https://septentrio.uit.no/index.php/SCS/issue/view/766>
some of interest to Diamond publishing:

[Quality as a public good: The Diamond Open Access Standard \(DOAS\) and its role in the Global Diamond Open Access Alliance](#) Johan Rooryck, Pilar Rico Castro, Virginia de Pablo

Llorente

[The Diamond Discovery Hub and its suggested Diamond OA criteria for journals](#) Margo

Bargheer, Hanna Varachkina, Malte Dreyer, Lisa Müller

[Running a Diamond Open Access Journal \(and Surviving It\) How can we avoid \(self-\)exploitation and ensure professional publishing without recurring to APCs and similar evils?](#)

Holger Pötzsch, Justin Parks, Jan Erik Frantsevåg

[Enhancing Diamond Open Access How OS-APS Facilitates Media-Neutral Scholarly Publishing](#)

Yannik Hampf, João Martins, Dr. Carsten Borchert, Sarah Bösendörfer

Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication:

Vaughn, M. & Higgins, R., (2025) “**Leveraging LLMs in Library Publishing: JATS XML Encoding with ChatGPT**”, *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication* 13(1).

<https://doi.org/10.31274/jlsc.18048>

Catterall, J., Barbour, V. & Tairi, K., (2025) “**Filling the basket with knowledge: The evolution of open access in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand**”, *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication* 12(2). doi: <https://doi.org/10.31274/jlsc.18317>

Colla, E., do Amaral, J. C., Hachani, S., Quinn, A., Catterall, J., Xu, S., Fernandez, P., Jiao, C., Andreu, F. C. & Stuit, M., (2024) “**Special Issue: Open Access: Diverse Experiences and Expectations**”, *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication* 12(2).

<https://doi.org/10.31274/jlsc.18462>

Interested in open source software for publishing Diamond journals? Check out Journal of Open Source Software <https://joss.theoj.org/>

Australasian Diamond Journals Discovery Hub:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PhMh1OQxOimYBgduuOaSjjKJdBQuxlvv/edit?gid=1573314353#gid=1573314353>

Meeting #5, 15 August 2024

Duration	Activity	
5 min	Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country Updates: Events: Open Access Week 2024 and OEGlobal Conference	
15 min	2024 Reflections Looking ahead - 2025 (survey) Menti activity to talk and share all things 'diamond'	
20 min	Discussion & networking (if a large group we will set up breakout rooms)	
10 min	Wrap up & closing Invite participants to reflect on the questions below (on slide), or raise any other questions that they may have. • What's needed, based on what we learned today? • What questions do you have right now? • What are you taking from today's meeting back to your library?	

Meeting #4, 17 October 2024

Duration	Activity	
5 min	Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country Open Access Week 2024 - <i>please add your own institution's events and activities under the agenda!</i> Today's theme: Sustainability & Funding	
15 min	Lightning talk (10-15 min) + Q&A (5-10 min) Theme: Sustainability and Funding Hamid R. Jamali, Associate Professor in Information Studies, Charles Sturt University	

	H. R. Jamali, A. Abbasi, & S. Wakeling, "Australia has lost 140 journals in a decade. That's damaging for local research and education," The Conversation, 7/3/2022.	
20 min	Discussion of topic & networking (if a large group we will set up breakout rooms) Prompts: • Over to you! After hearing about the survey, what resonates with you in terms of sustainability issues? • What initiatives or strategies have worked in your context when it comes to sustainability? • What's keeping you up at night, related to funding and sustainability generally?	
10 min	Wrap up & closing Invite participants to reflect on the questions below (on slide), or raise any other questions that they may have. • What's needed, based on what we learned today? • What questions do you have right now? • What are you taking from today's meeting back to your library? Close with a reminder of the next meeting - December 12	

What's happening during Open Access Week (21-25 October 2024) at your institution?

- **Open Access Australasia**
 - Event information and registration [here](https://oaaustralasia.org/events/open-access-week-2024/)
 - Events from other institutions also listed on our OA week page.
- **Deakin OA week events** (all welcome to attend! - registration essential)
 - [Keynote: Community over commercialisation](#) - Monday 21 October, 11am–12pm (Burwood campus and online)
 - [Panel discussion: Community over commercialisation](#) - Tuesday 22 October, 12.30–1.30pm (online)
 - [The Great Copyright Debate: What if there was no copyright in scholarly works? \(a thought experiment\)](#) - Thursday 24 October, 3–4.30pm (Burwood campus)
 - [Beyond OER: Open education practices and equity for all](#) - Friday 25 October, 3.30–4.30pm (Deakin Downtown and online)
 - OA Week Call to Action: [Open Access Week: Call to action blog](#)

Meeting #3, 15 August 2024

Duration	Activity	
5 min	Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country Theme: Platforms & Repositories	
15 min	Lightning talk (10 min) + Q&A (5 min) Caitlin Savage: OJS & Squiz Zac Kendal: WordPress & Figshare Tracy Creagh: OJS & QUT OpenPress Lauren Halcomb-Smith: WordPress & Google docs	
20 min	Discussion of topic & networking (if a large group we will set up breakout rooms) Prompts: • Over to you! What platforms are you using? • What support or unanswered questions do you have related to platforms and repositories? • What's keeping you up at night, related to platforms and repositories?	
10 min	Wrap up & closing Invite participants to reflect on the questions below (on slide), or raise any other questions that they may have. • What's needed, based on what we learned today? • What questions do you have right now? • What are you taking from today's meeting back to your library? Close with a reminder of the next meeting - October 17	

Meeting #2, 20 June 2024

Duration	Activity	
5 min	Welcome & Acknowledgement of country	

	Theme: Discoverability & Indexing	
5 mins	Report back on Jamboard findings	
15 min	Lightning talk (10 min) + Q&A (5 min)	Donna Coventry
20 min	Discussion of topic & networking in breakout rooms (with a prompt or guiding question), each group led by one of the co-convenors. Invite participants to reflect on the questions below (on slide), or raise any other questions that they may have. • What's needed, based on what we learned today? • What questions do you have right now? • What are you taking from today's meeting back to your library?	
5 min	Reporting back from small group discussions.	
10 min	Wrap up & closing Close with a reminder of the next meeting: August 15 1-2pm (AEST)	

Meeting #1, 18 April 2024

Summary

Diamond Open Access refers to a scholarly publication model in which journals and platforms do not charge fees to either authors or readers. The Australian Scholarly Communications Community of Practice Diamond Journal Publishing sup-group's mission is to advocate for inclusive, equitable, sustainable, community-controlled open access (OA) publishing with no fees to either reader or author. We seek to provide members with a participatory and engaging community for helping each other with everyday practice, as well as opportunities for discussion, development, and dissemination of best practices and strategies towards realising our mission.

The first meeting of the Diamond Journal Publishing CoP will be an opportunity for participants to network, discuss key issues for diamond publishing, and share emergent questions relevant to supporting diamond OA.

The co-convenors of the Diamond OA Sub-Group are:

- Tracy Creagh, QUT

- Lauren Halcomb-Smith, Deakin University
- Zachary Kendal, University of Melbourne

Please note:

The first meeting of the Diamond Journal Publishing CoP will be 45 minutes (1:00pm - 1:45pm), and will be immediately followed by a DOAJ webinar, organised by Open Access Australasia, at 2:00pm. The DOAJ webinar is a separate event hosted by the Diamond Journal Publishing sub-group – [details and registration](#). All subsequent Diamond Journal Publishing CoP meetings will be an hour in duration from 1:00pm - 2:00pm on a bimonthly basis.

Sign in

Please sign in here (name, affiliation, email):

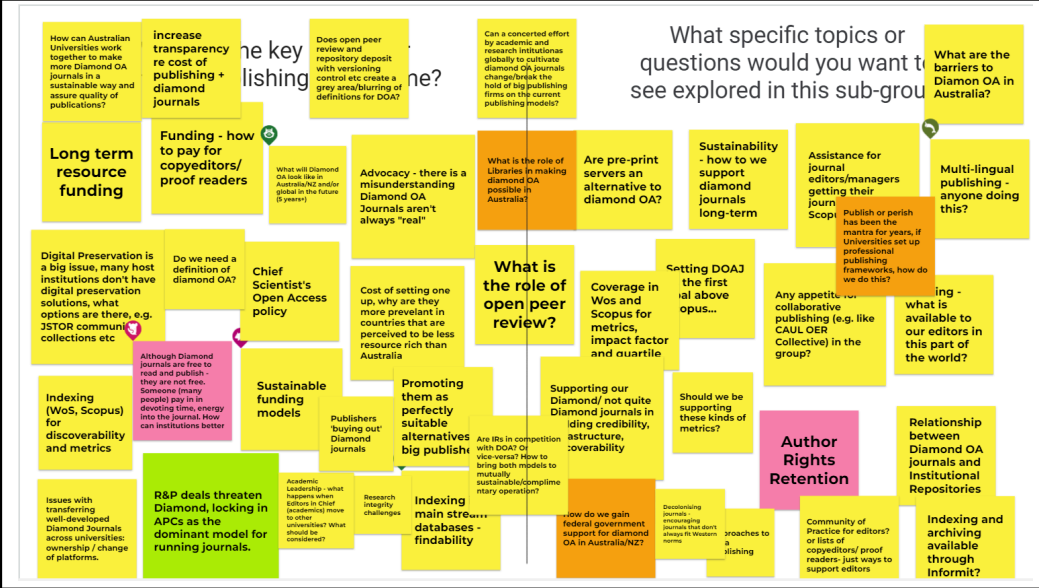
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Agenda & minutes

5 min	Welcome & Acknowledgement of country
10 min	Introductions & scene setting / Q&A Zac provides an intro for the session and the agenda Reminder of the DOAJ workshop coming up this afternoon Introduction to the co-convenors: • Zachary Kendal (University of Melbourne) • Tracy Creagh (QUT) • Lauren Halcomb-Smith (Deakin University) Please add your name, affiliation, and email address in the Sign in section above, in order to be added to the email list The audience for this group is professional academic library staff in AU who are involved with or interested in Diamond Journal publishing. We are aiming for this group to be an active, engaged, and participatory community of practice. Members can expect to participate in both small group and large group activities during bi-monthly meetings. Each meeting will have a theme or focus. We are keen to hear from you, what you would like to see as a future theme for one of the meetings. Usually meetings will go for an hour, on Thursdays, every second month. Why? We are aiming to advocate for inclusive, equitable, sustainable, community-controlled OA publishing with no fees for either reader or author. What is Diamond OA? General definition: OA publishing that involves no cost for either the author or the reader. But there are questions around this definition... does it have to be independently published? Openly licensed? For this group we are going with the broad definition to avoid excluding any of the journals we support. Questions? Comment: super excited that the group has kicked off!

	The sub-group has a page on the OAA website: https://oaaustralasia.org/australian-scholarly-communications-community-of-practice-diamond-journal-publishing-subgroup/ AI notetakers: should we adopt the same policy as the larger group and ask that these are not used? Concerns around AI and privacy. Can everyone please disable these bots, but contact the conveners if you have concerns (eg. accessibility). Will the sessions be recorded? Not generally, but maybe if there's a speaker or special event.
20 min	Discussion Discussion of topic & networking in breakout rooms (with a prompt or guiding question), each group led by one of the co-conveners. • Who are you and how does your role relate to diamond publishing? • What are the key issues for diamond publishing at this time? Point added to Jamboard: Chief Scientists OA policy - we're wondering how this might relate to Diamond. Chief Scientist appeared on Q&A recently (but didn't speak about OA) CAUL webinar with Chief Scientist coming up in May - look out for the invitation. Digital Preservation - many institutions may not have this in place. Options available but they have constraints. Could we discuss practical options? Others note there's a gap in support for this topic. The relationship of Diamond OA with repositories - putting items together in a journal context is difficult (unsure if that's the correct point?) Comment: Although Diamond journals are free to read and publish - they are not free. Someone (many people) pay in in devoting time, energy into the journal. How can institutions better support DJ's Lots of comments around sustainability and funding. Some highly ranked journals supported - but how do we keep them going? Opportunity for the community to move those conversations forward. Where does this funding come from? Library budgets - but how do we get faculties involved. How do we get long-term support in place to prevent slow winding down of journals lacking resources? (not relying on the labour of unpaid grad students!)

	Indexing of DJs - DOAJ, Informit etc. Perhaps we can look into how we can work with Informit? Publishers buying out Diamond Journals. Predatory emails about buying journals. Author rights retention and Diamond OA Journals. Multi-lingual publishing - anyone doing this? Open peer review - would be great to see journals moving towards this with policies and procedures in place. • What specific topics or questions would you want to see explored in this sub-group? Future session - could we get someone from Portico? Future session - sustainability and funding. Jamboards will be used in the breakout rooms; co-convenor is the main note-taker but participants can also add their ideas. <i>(Breakout rooms not used in this meeting after all - so we're all using the one Jamboard)</i> https://jamboard.google.com/d/1WE9e2d6C3Hsh_R77Nt5zqF69_AJYDzN2xOu2uYGFLyA/edit?usp=sharing
5 min	Reflection • What's needed, based on what we learned today? • What questions do you have right now? • What are you taking from today's meeting back to your library? So many suggestions in the Jamboard! Really rich source. Co-convenors will meet to discuss and theme the notes.

	 The mind map explores various topics and questions related to Diamond Open Access journals. The central question is: "What specific topics or questions would you want to see explored in this sub-group?". Key topics and questions include: How can Australian Universities work together to make more Diamond OA Journals in a sustainable way and assure quality of publications? increase transparency re cost of publishing + diamond journals Does open peer review and repository deposit with versioning control etc create a grey area/blurring of definitions for DOAJ? Can a concerted effort by academic and research institutions globally to cultivate diamond OA journals change/break the hold of big publishing firms on the current publishing models? What are the barriers to Diamond OA in Australia? What specific topics or questions would you want to see explored in this sub-group? Long term resource funding Funding - how to pay for copyeditors/proof readers What will Diamond OA look like in Australia/NZ and/or global in the future (5 years)? Advocacy - there is a misunderstanding Diamond OA Journals aren't always "real" What is the role of Libraries in making diamond OA possible in Australia? Are pre-print servers an alternative to diamond OA? Sustainability - how to we support diamond journals long-term Assistance for journal editors/managers getting their journal Scopus Multi-lingual publishing - anyone doing this? Publish or perish has been the mantra for years, if Universities set up professional publishing frameworks, how do we do this? Any appetite for collaborative publishing (e.g. like CAUL OER Collective) in the group? Setting DOAJ the first trial above all others Coverage in WoS and Scopus for metrics, impact factor and quartile Supporting our Diamond/ not quite Diamond journals in building credibility, structure, discoverability Should we be supporting these kinds of metrics? Author Rights Retention Relationship between Diamond OA Journals and Institutional Repositories Indexing and archiving available through Informit? Community of Practice for editors? or lists of copyeditors/proof readers - just ways to support editors How do we gain federal government support for diamond OA in Australia/NZ? Decolonising journals: encouraging journals that don't always fit Western norms Approaches to publishing Are IRs in competition with DOAJ? Or vice-versa? How to bring both models to mutually sustainable/complimentary operation? Promoting them as perfectly suitable alternatives big publishers Publishers buying out Diamond journals Cost of setting one up, why are they more prevalent in countries that are perceived to be less resource rich than Australia Chief Scientist's Open Access policy Do we need a definition of diamond OA? Digital Preservation is a big issue, many host institutions don't have digital preservation solutions, what options are there, e.g. JSTOR community collections etc Although Diamond journals are free to read and publish - they are not free. Someone (many people) pay in its devoting time, energy into the journal. How can institutions better Indexing (WoS, Scopus) for discoverability and metrics Issues with transferring well-developed Diamond Journals across universities: ownership / change of platforms R&P deals threaten Diamond, locking in APCs as the dominant model for running journals. Academic Leadership - what happens when Editors in Chief (Scopuses) move to other universities? what should be considered? Research integrity challenges Indexing main stream databases - findability
5 min	Next steps, wrap up & closing Reminder about the DOAJ workshop right after this - you can still register and come along!