

## PANEL DISCUSSION

Traditional Publishers and the Transition towards Open Access

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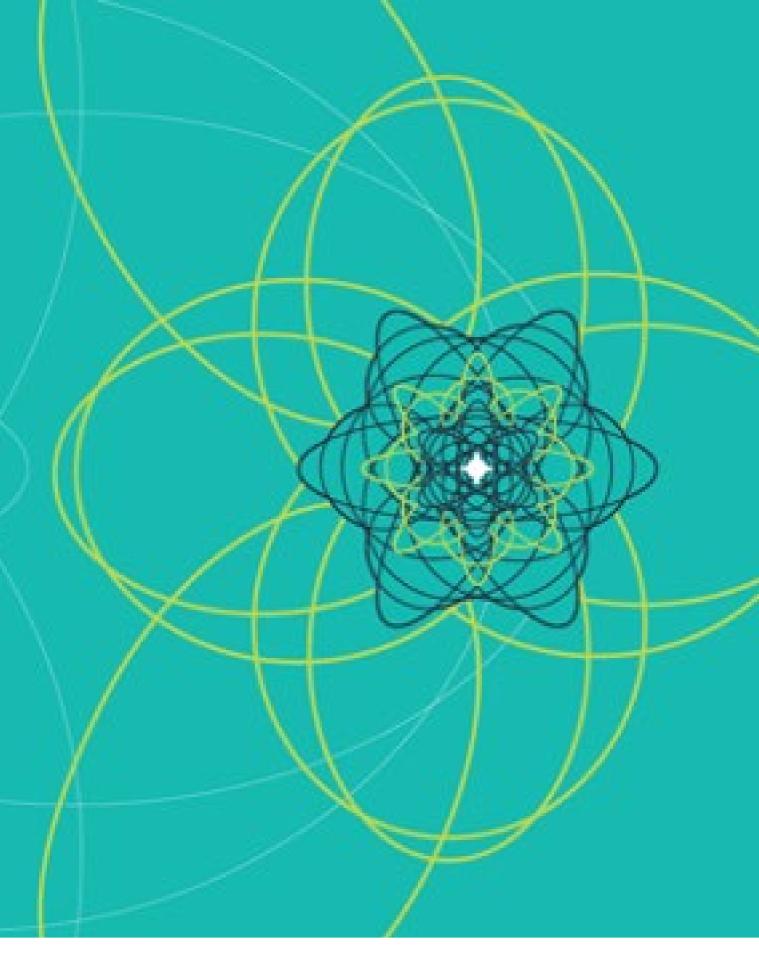
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## **Transformative Agreements**

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## **SPRINGER NATURE**

How to prosper in a Diamond **Open Access landscape** Experiences from a publisher in Scandinavia

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# JOURNALS

### **DIAMOND OPEN ACCESS**

- PUBLISHING SERVICE CONTRACTS (21)
- PUBLISHING SERVICE SUPPORT: NORWEGIAN OPEN HSS JOURNALS FUNDING PROGRAMME (22)

### **GREEN OPEN ACCESS** (26)

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# MONOGRAPHS & EDITED COLLECTIONS

### **BOOK PUBLISHING CHARGES**

- LIBRARY OA FUNDS
- RESEARCH GRANTS
- FACULTY / INSTITUTE FUNDING
- COMMUNITY FUNDING

Scandinavian University Press + Universitetsforlaget

# THE FUTURE

## **OUR HOPES**

- FAIR COMPETITION
- COOPERATION OVER NEGOTIATION

## **OUR PLANS**

- INVEST IN WHAT WORKS: <u>DIAMOND OA</u>
- PILOT NEW MODELS: <u>SUBSCRIBE TO OPEN</u>



# THANK YOU

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# Making Open Access a reality for HSS journals Subscribe to Open (S2O) as a promising path

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# Dichotomies

Making OA work for your faculty

APCs/TA

Gold

For profit

STEM

# Making OA work for a journal/portfolio

### Diamond

### Green

### Not for profit

### HS S

There is no onesize-fits-all approach to Open Access transformation



# HSS publication culture

HSS journals differ in both publishing culture as well as funding structure from STEM

- HSS journals publish a greater diversity of formats  $\bullet$ non - research articles ( e.g. book reviews) is high
- HSS disciplines have more language specific/national research ۲
- More independent scholars ۲
- For most HSS subjects, the monograph is the gold currency, journal articles comes second  $\rightarrow$  Journal article ۲ **output** per journal is lower than in STEM with a more qualitative scope
- HSS subject areas receive less research funding and grants than STEM. ۲

### than those in STEM. The **proportion** of so -called



# How can OA work in HSS?

- New initiatives have emerged to seek alternative solutions as it became clear that a lot more variety in models ۲ will be needed to ensure a broad scaled open access transformation for journals
- A lot of these approaches look beyond the current principle that open access can only be achieved on the article  $\bullet$ level but emphasize the power of the collective
- Diamond Open Access initiatives are one promising solution, but there is a need beyond it to reach a wide scale • transformation on the market.



<u>Green Open Access – Free for</u> Authors But at a Cost for Readers

Is the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's new OA policy the start of a shift towards preprints?

# SUBSCRIBE TO OPEN

S20 Community of Practice

# Subscribe to Open (S2O)

- → OA transformation model relies on existing subscription procurements processes and pricing
- → Converts journals from subscriptions to OA on an annual basis
  - → As long as sufficient subscribers continue to subscribe, the volume is published open access under a Creative Commons license
  - → If participation is not sufficient, then that year's content remains behind the paywall. In this case a liberal green OA policies takes effect
- → Free to publish: Not an APC model, i.e. there are no author-facing charges

Journal subscribers

### Threshold reached

## Volume is published OA

Threshold not reached Journal's volume remains behind the paywall

> Green OA

# How did De Gruyter approach HSS transformation through S2O?



Approx. two years of internal strategy development, analysis and exploration with libraries, consortia and societies



Workflows and processes designed and tested in S2O pilot phase



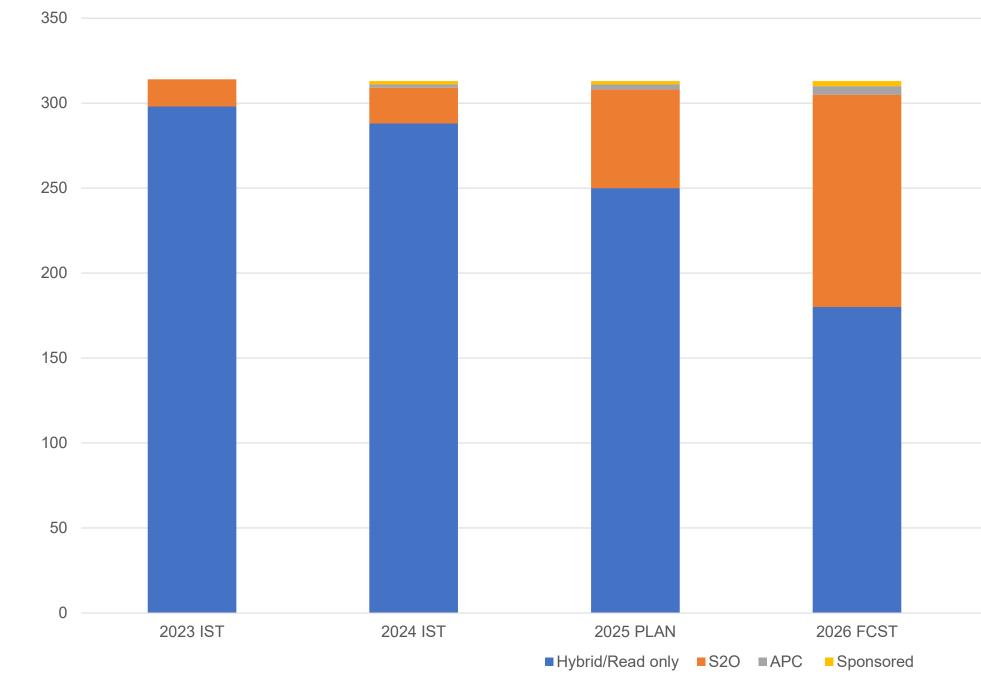
Communication of transformation approach to library and research communities



Adaptation of TAs to include S2O journals in the offer

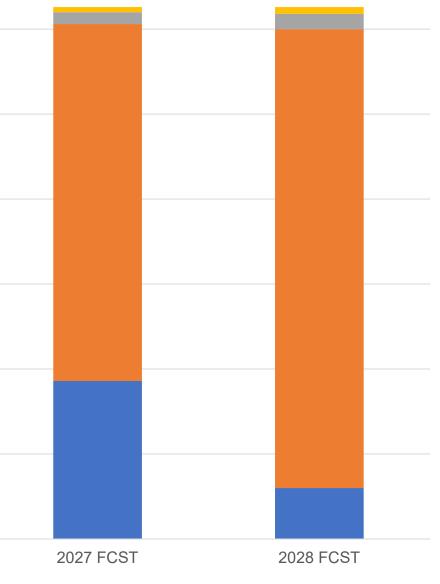
# DG2O: Using S2O as main road to OA

Shift to OA 2023 to 2028





DE GRUYTER'S SUBSCRIBE TO OPEN PROGRAM



# Thank you!

De Gruyter S2O programme

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Collective funding for Open Access books: reflections on a pilot year

**Becky Hill** 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024





# **Taylor & Francis**





## **Open Access Books Models**

- Book Publishing Charges
- Combined models: EBA & Open
- Collective models: Knowledge Unlatched and Pledge to Open



## Pledge to Open Pilot

- Launched in July 2023, in partnership with JISC (UK consortia)
- Aim:
  - to make **70 frontlist books open access**, through a collective funding approach
  - ensure that OA book content is free to read and free to publish for the author
  - Convert forthcoming books in interdisciplinary subject areas inspired by the SDG goals



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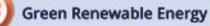
### PLEDGE TO OPEN



### Pledge to Open Pilot Launched in collaboration with JISC



## The collections





**Climate Change** 



Pandemic

Women's Health and Rights

Wellbeing and Mental Health

**Race and Racism** 

Populism and Extremism

## How did it work?

7 interdisciplinary collections established, each including 10 cutting edge research titles on a key global issue

Threshold identified with tiered pricing aimed at enabling institutions of all sizes to participate

Participating institutions chose which collection(s) they would like to pledge for

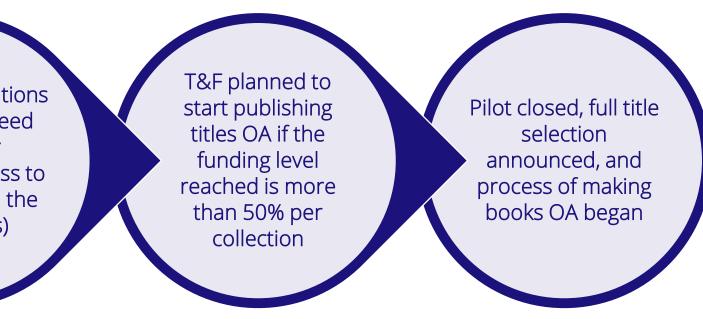
Pledging institutions were guaranteed multi-user perpetual access to all titles within the collection(s)

July 2023



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## PLEDGE TO OPEN Pilot 2023/2024



July 2024

## Pledge to Open: Pilot Year Results

- 24 institutions joined us in supporting the pilot year
- 26 books will be published open access
- Includes 50 authors and editors from **19 different countries** (8 of which from LMICs)
- We gained valuable insights from global stakeholders
  - Positive support for collective models Ο
  - Challenges: no incentive 0
  - Affordability
  - Title list confirmation  $\bigcirc$





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### PLEDGE TO OPEN



## **Pledge to Open Pilot** Launched in collaboration with JISC



### 24 institutions joined us in supporting the first pilot year of

Pledge to Open.



The model attracted pledges from organisations of all sizes, including research-focused universities and smaller institutions.



24 institutions in North America, Australasia, and Europe pledged to at least one of the themed collections.



Through their collective action, 26 books have been published open access and made available to a global audience.



The final 26 titles selected to publish OA are from 50 authors and editors across 19 countries



8 authors (16%) from lower-middle income countries, drawn from institutions across Bangladesh and India.



### Around half of the titles are edited collections.

















### **Participation Institutions**

### Australia

University of Wollongong

University of New South Wales

Flinders University

University of Adelaide

### Germany

Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg

Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

New Zealand

University of Waikato

Switzerland

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL)

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Université de Lausanne

### UK

University College London

Loughborough University

University of East Anglia

London South Bank

Nottingham Trent University

Manchester University

University of Essex

### USA

Vassar College

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Iowa State University

University of Maryland - College Park

Carnegie Mellon University

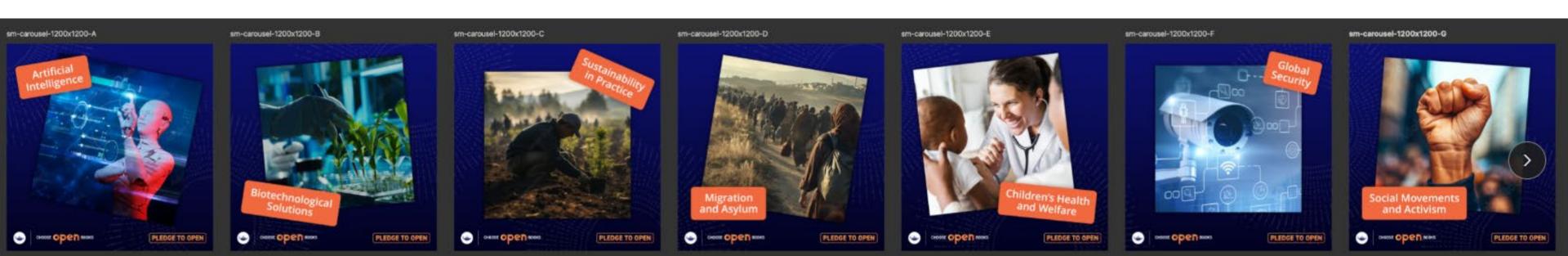
Rowan University

University of Virginia

Princeton University

## Pledge to Open 2024/25

- 7 new subject collections:
  - Artificial Intelligence
  - o Biotechnological Solutions
  - o Sustainability in Practice
  - Migration and Asylum
  - Children's Health and Welfare
  - Global Security
  - Social Movements and Activism
- Added backfile: 50 books per collection (title list available)
- Increased participation assumptions and simplified pricing
- Running September 2024 June 2025





# Thank you! Any Questions?

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