

A short tour of Open Access Book Publishing and the project bid 'Going for Gold'

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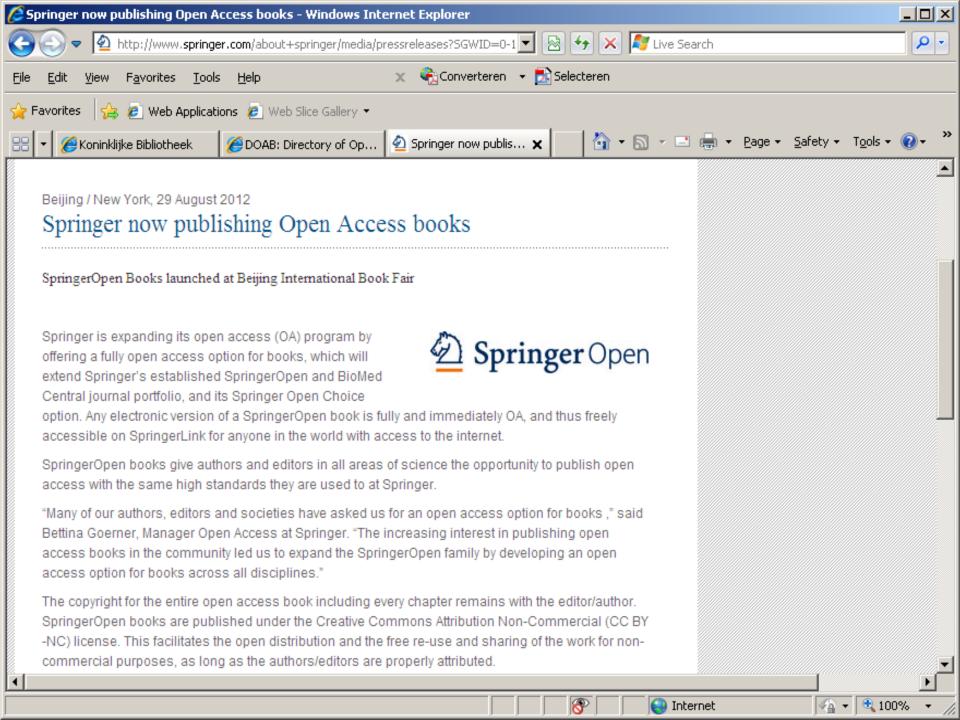
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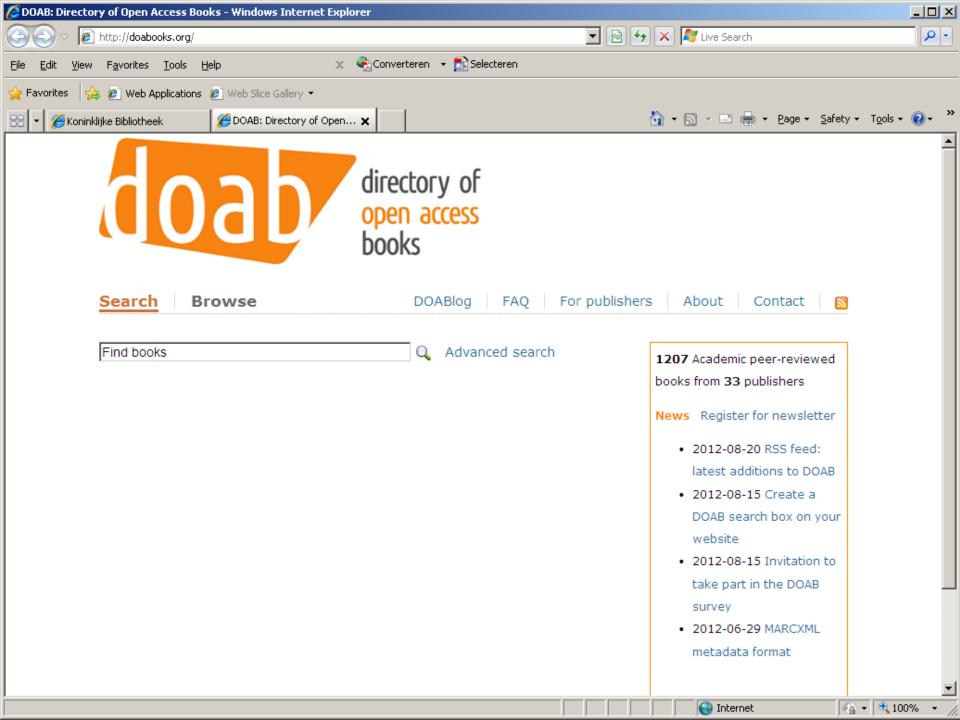
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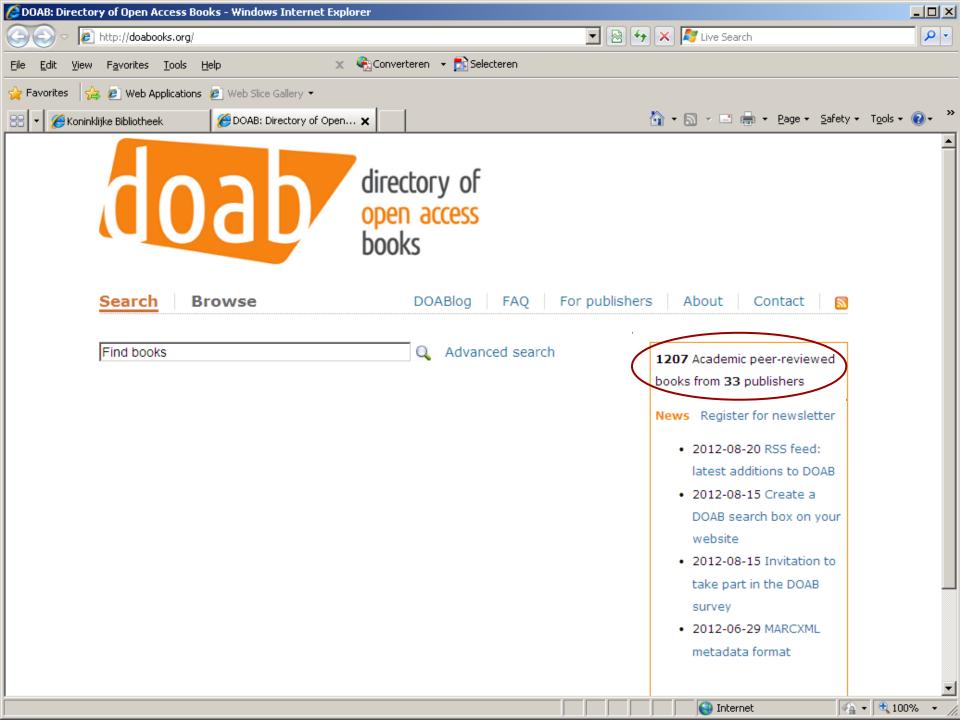
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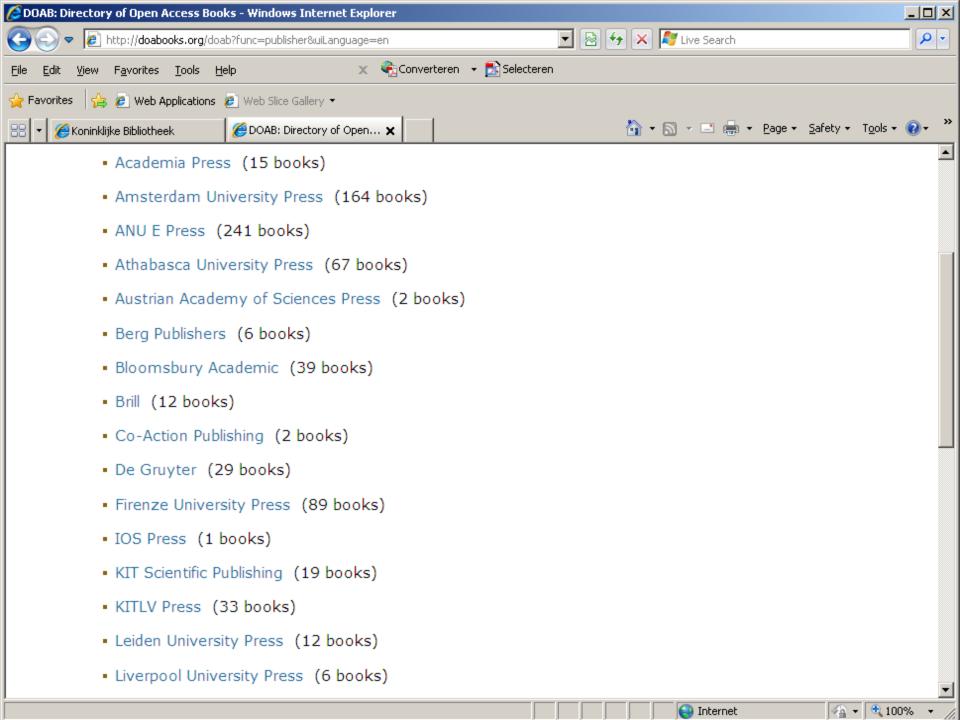
OAPEN is pleased to announce a new service for Open Access monographs: the Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB). DOAB will provide a searchable index to peer-reviewed monographs and edited volumes published under an Open Access business model, with links to

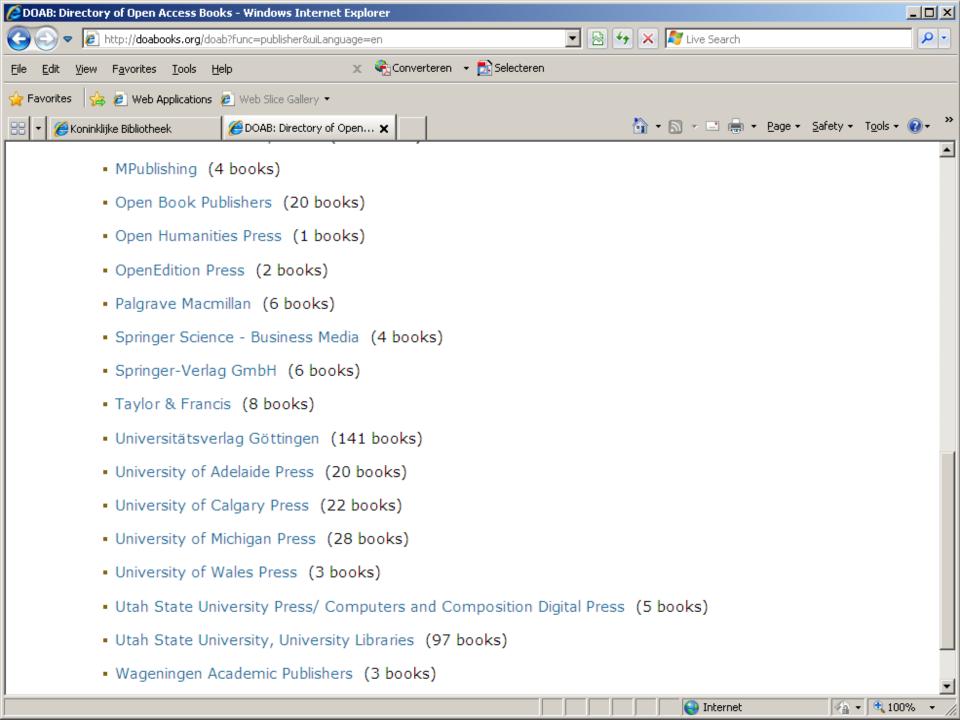










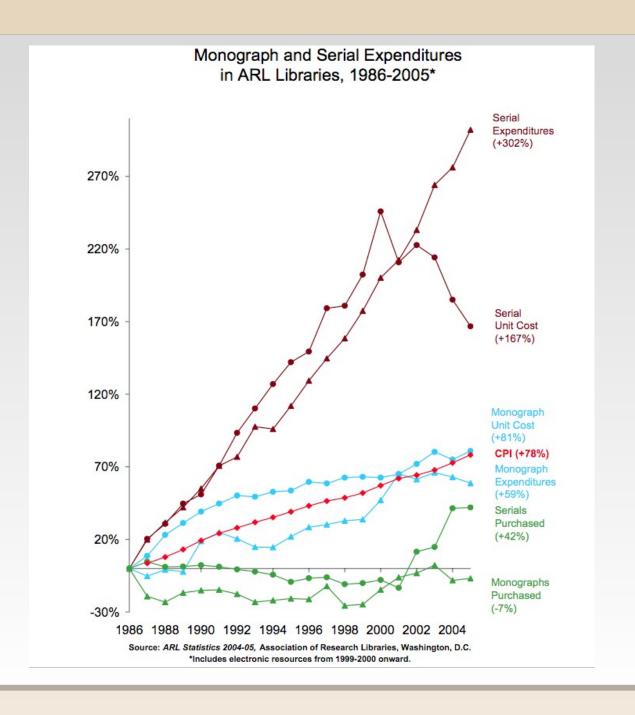


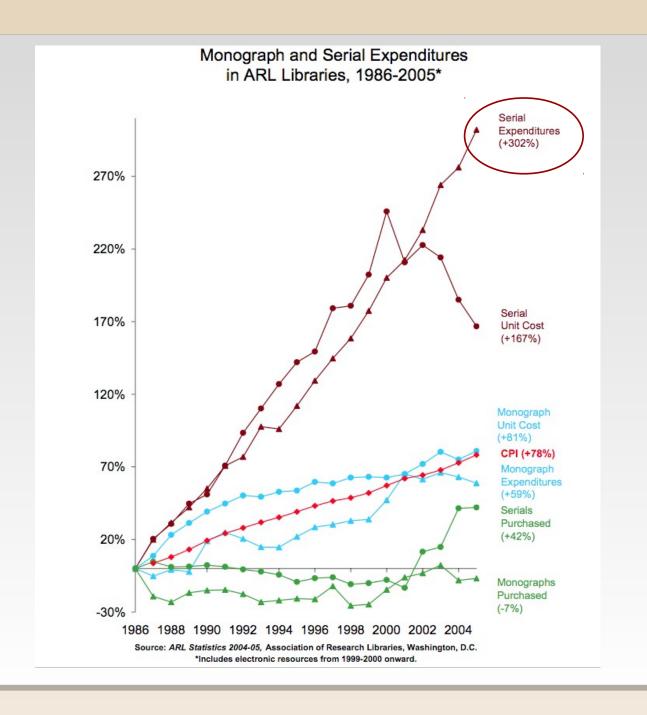
Traditional monographs

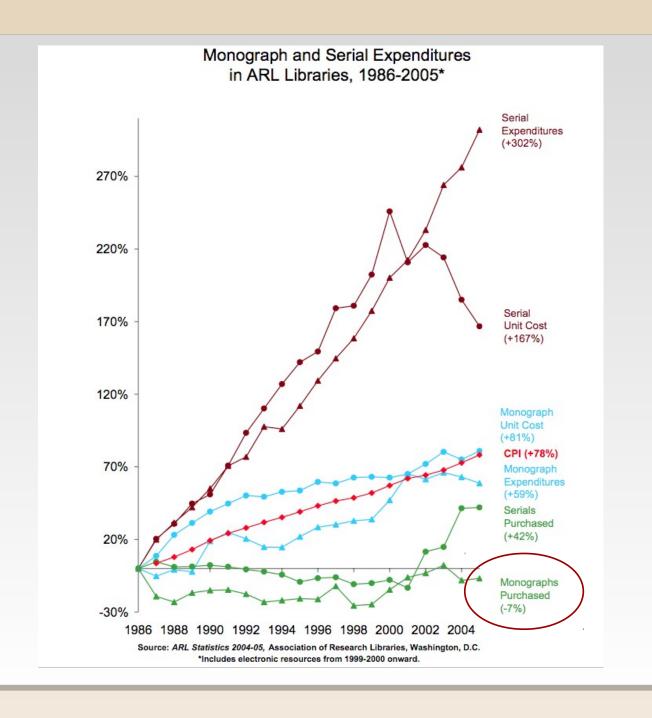
Losing sustainability and relevance

Between 1980 and 2000, sales to US Libraries dropped from 2000 to 500 (average)

Need for a new publishing model for academic books









Knowledge Exchange briefing paper

About monographs:

Traditional models for monograph publishing are losing sustainability, even with substantial public funding

Paper proposes a new model for monographs: primarily as an electronic resource available on Open Access

Would reduce costs as printed edition could become a seperate service provided as print-on-demand

Open Access monographs

Becoming an effective model

Open Access can improve:

- Discovery (views)
- Usage (downloads)
- Impact (citations)



Open Access *can* reduce costs
Open Access *may not* impact sales

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Athabasca University Press Australian National University Press (ANU-E)

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 Some Research Councils

Australian National University Press

E-press publishing OA monographs
Costs covered by ANU's information budget
Central ICT services
Distributed editorial model:
20 E-press Editorial Boards

Principles:

- Press is seen as part of of Scholarly communication infrastructure
- Press uses existing University ICT infrastructure

Colin Steele:

"...there is no point in supporting key academic research if there is no means of distributing and accessing it effectively"

OpenEdition Freemium

Licensing model for libraries Introduced as pilot

Based on combination of free content in HTML + premium content (PDF, e-pub) and services Revenues split 1/3-2/3 between OpenEdition and publishers

Intended to:

- make OA content discoverable
- provide a business model for OA content
- help sustain platform

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http://www.openedition.org

'Knowledge Unlatched' - Frances Pinter

Libraries form a global consortium
Use their existing acquisitions budget
Select individually, purchase collectively
Price based on fixed or 'first digital copy' costs
Libraries receive value-added edition
Monographs are then published Open Access

Pilot being prepared for 2013 Support from Australia and USA (ARL) Help from the 'Big Innovation Centre' (UK)

http://www.knowledgeunlatched.org/



Gold Open Access publication funds

Research councils pay for OA deposit of publications Restricted to publications based on funded research Either as incentive for Open Access or mandated

Principles:

- Results from publicly funded research should be publicly available
- Funds for OA publication fees should be open for articles *and* books

Examples:





National approach: Sweden

'Towards quality controlled Open Access Monographs in Sweden - exploring the possibilities of a consortium based approach'

Initiative of National Library and funder of research to bring together a number of universities / university libraries and academic presses to improve the Swedish situation for monographs:

- ensure effective dissemination based on Open Access
- coordinate quality control and share specific services
- using *existing funds* for books

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OAPEN provides a platform for the dissemination of OA books through the OAPEN Library:

- a quality controlled collection of OA books
- improving discoverability and usage

OAPEN develops Open Access models for books and takes part in projects to publish Open Access monographs with academic publishers and funders

OAPEN develops services for stakeholders in OA book publishing, such as the Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB - www.doabooks.org)

Making the transition to OA books

1. OAPEN Library:

- * Aggregating a collection of OA books
- Increase visibility and retrievability
- 30+ publishers, 1000+ OA books

2. Developing infrastructure/services for OA books

- OAPEN as deposit service for OA Books
- Directory of Open Access Books

3. OAPEN projects:

- Pilot projects
- Going for Gold'

Making the transition: 1. OAPEN Library

Organize content

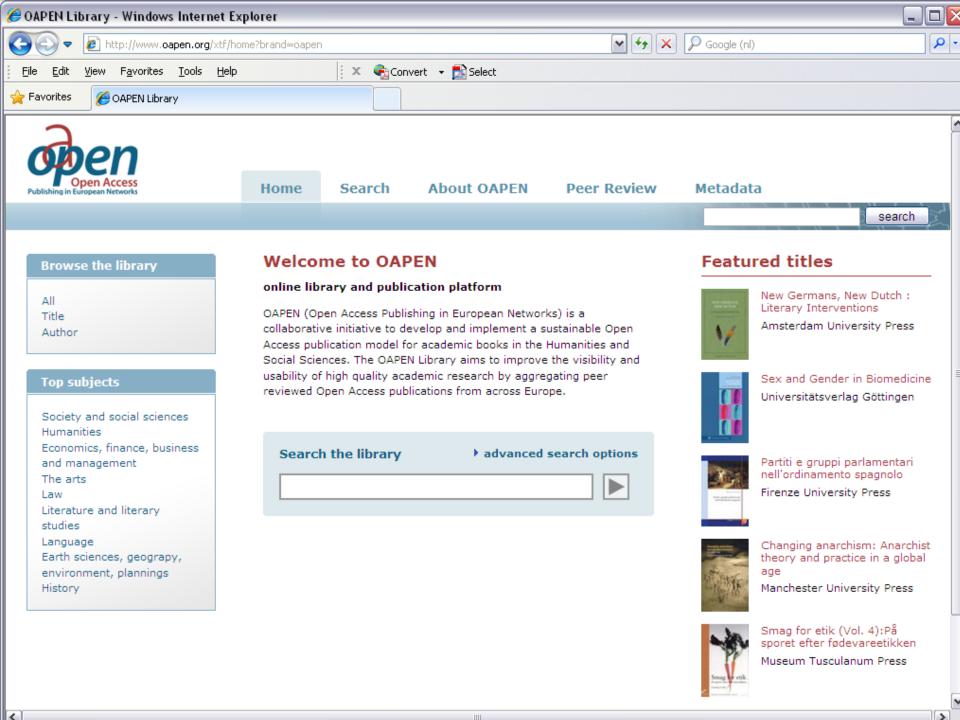
- Set standards (metadata, licensing)
- Provide quality assurance (peer review)

Create critical mass

- Promote OA for books
- Pull in publishers, aggregate content

Increase visibility & retrievability

- Web presence (Google, Europeana)
- Library integration (online catalogues)
- Discovery services (WorldCat, Primo Central, Summon)



Publishers in the OAPEN Library













Hamburg University Press









Aarhus University Press







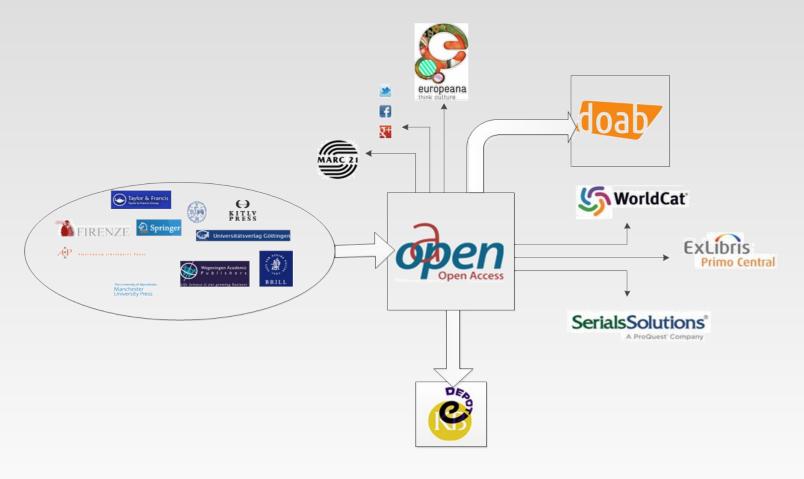




kassel university press GmbH



Making the transition: 2. Services



New service: DOAB

A new service for OA monographs: the Directory of Open Access Books



- DOAB should operate as a twin service of the DOAJ
 - Helping readers to find OA books
- Primary functions:
 - Increase dissemination and usage
 - Promote standards for OA books
 - Provide quality assurance for publishers and funders
 - Integrate with libraries and content aggregators

Making the transition: 3. OAPEN projects

Pilot projects in OA book publishing:

- Set up limited publication funds for books (2-3 years)
- In different European countries
- Cooperation of research funders and publishers
- Test models, compare and evaluate results
- Come up with guidelines and recommendations
- Current pilots: NL (NWO) and UK (JISC collections)

Goal: Establish a framework for OA books

OAPEN-UK

Project management

JISC Collections

Funding:

- JISC Collections
- Arts and Humanities Research Council

Research into attitudes towards OA books and measuring effect of OA on usage and sales:

- 3 years (1 year + 2 years monitoring)
- Start May 1, 2011
- Open to all academic publishers
- Books published before January 2011
- Approx. 30 books + control group ('matched pairs')
- Contibution £ 6000/book

OAPEN-NL

Project management:

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Funding:

- Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
- Ministry of Education, Culture & Science

Measuring usage, sales and publishing costs:

- 3 years (2 years + 1 year monitoring)
- Start October 1, 2010
- Open to all academic publishers
- Books published between Jan 1, 2011
 - Aug 1, 2012
- Approx. 50 books + control group
- Maximum contribution€ 5000/book

OAPEN-NL: preliminary results

Preliminary results:

books have only been available for 10 months

(on average)

Open access improves:

- Discovery (visits in Goolge Book Search)
- Usage (page views in Google Book Search)

Open Access has not impacted sales (but it is too early for conclusions)

Too early for data on Impact (citations)

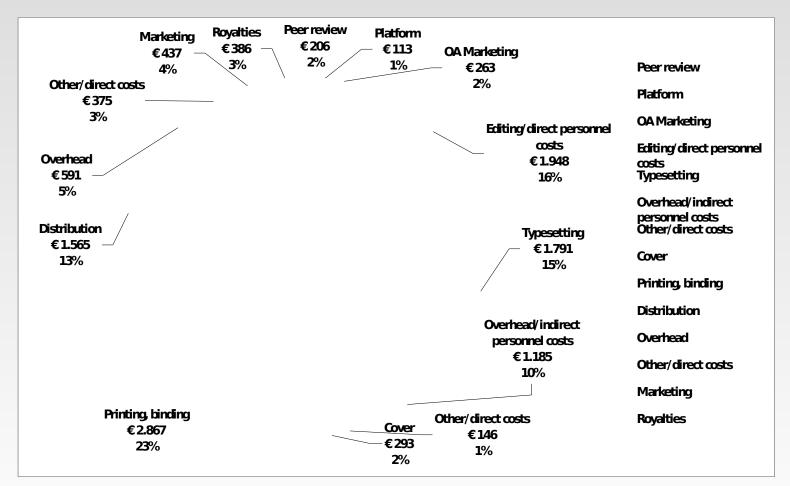
OAPEN-NL: Average costs of monographs

OA Costs:		Print costs	:
Peer review	€ 206	Cover	€ 293
Platform	€ 113	Printing, binding	€ 2,867
Marketing	€ 263	Distribution	€ 1,565
Editing/direct personnel costs	€ 1,948	Overhead	€ 591
Typesetting	€ 1,791	Other/direct costs	€ 375
Overhead/indirect personnel costs	€ 1,185	Marketing	€ 437
Other/direct costs	€ 146	Royalties	€ 385
	€ 5,678		€ 6,489

OAPEN-NL: Cost range

	Highest	Lowest
Total costs	€ 20,660	€ 6,082
OA costs	€ 9,490	€ 3,085
Print costs	€ 11,170	€ 2,997

Calculating the costs of OA books



Print: € 6.489 (53%)

OA: € 5.678 (47%)

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Going for Gold: Basic model

Examples such as ANU E-press, Swedish national project and Knowledge Exchange briefing paper provide basic approach:

1. Reduce costs and maximise impact by publishing in Open Access

- Primary edition should be online and freely accessible
- Other editions for sale (Print on Demand or e-readers)

2. Reduce costs and improve quality by sharing publishing infrastructure

- Partners can have their own editorial programmes
- There should be shared procedures for quality control
- Partners share infrastructure for dissemination and other services

3. Costs of the OA edition and shared services are covered by partners

 Research universities and research funders should not only fund the creation of research, but also the dissemination and preservation of research results

Going for Gold: Project Bid

3 year project 'Creating a Shared European Infrastructure for Gold Open Access Publishing'

LERU initiative lead by University College London (UCL) with MDR Partners as project management

Universities / university libraries and some university presses:

- Coordinated approach to publish OA monographs from each of the participating universities
- Share infrastructure and e-publishing services
- Central board ensuring consistent quality standards

Going for Gold: Partners

22 partners from 8 European countries:

- led by University College London (UCL)
- 14 universities as content partner
- 6 publishers
- 3 key participants:
 - MDR (project management)
 - OAPEN (infrastructure & services)
 - LIBER (communication and outreach)

Going for Gold: Universities

Karlsruhe

Lund

Linköping

UCL London

Amsterdam

Barcelona

Belgrade

Freiburg

Göttingen

Helsinki

Leiden

Manchester

Nijmegen

Tartu

VU Amsterdam

Going for Gold: Content

The list of publications will consist of a number of book series in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

- 5 to 6 series
- -4 to 6 books / year
- -30 books yearly

Partner Universities act as content providers

- -concentrate on their specialisms and interests
- -establish editorial boards for selection and peer review

Partners champion individual series but submission to series will be open to all partners and researchers outside the consortium

Central project editorial board will ensure consitent quality standards for all publications

Going for Gold: Shared services

Areas	Services
Production	Workflow management (peer review, editing) Conversion to XML Publication to multiple formats
Publication, marketing, distribution	ISBN / DOI registration Ordering, administration PoD, distribution channels
OA Deposit	Quality assurance, identification Usage reports and tracking information Digital preservation
OA Dissemination	Online catalogue Metadata exports Directory of Open Access Books



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