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A subject-specific approach to Open Access implementation: the CESAER Open Access WG

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The Conference of European Schools for Advanced Engineering Education and Research (CESAER)

About CESAER

We are a European association of leading specialised and comprehensive universities of science & technology that: champion excellence in higher education, training, research and innovation; influence debate; contribute to the realisation of open knowledge societies; and, deliver significant scientific, economic, social and societal impact.

We:

- unite 52 leading universities of science & technology in 26 countries
- were founded in 1990
- are a not-for-profit association under Belgian law (AISBL) hosted by KU Leuven in Kasteel van Arenberg
- are an acknowledged main research stakeholder organisation for the European Research Area and the Open Science Policy Platform

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The CESAER Task Force for Open Science (TFOS)

The TFOS works on the following objectives:

- act as a pool of experts to proactively influence European policies in Open Science, react flexibly and rapidly on requests from the European institutions feeding into the decision-making by the Board of Directors and support our President in his representation in the Open Science Policy Platform (OSPP)

- promote and achieve open access to scientific literature by supporting our Members in open access publishing and working with initiatives and organisations that have this objective

- support initiatives to use transparent business models that are based on covering the true cost of the publishing process

- learn from each other through sharing experiences, identifying best practices and providing guidance through the development of principles & guidelines for FAIR and secure data

The TFOS undertakes the following general activities:

- convene twice per year, preferably in advance of a meeting of the Board of Directors and the annual meetings
- draft, revise and comment on statements feeding into the Board of Directors
- organise one workshop per year open to all Members
- provide ad hoc and on request support to the our President
- report on its work on an annual basis

For more information, please contact the TFOS Chair Karel Luyben (Rector Magnificus Delft University of Technology) and TFOS Secretary Anke Versteeg (Delft University of Technology).

Open Access Working Group under the CESAER TFOS

- Coordinated by Uni Strathclyde (Pablo de Castro) & TIB Hannover (Marco Tullney)
- Representatives from: the Netherlands (TU Delft), Germany (TIB Hannover, RWTH Aachen), Austria (TU Wien), Finland (Aalto Uni), Poland (Gdansk Uni Technology), Czech Republic (Czech Technical Uni Prague), Italy (Politecnico di Milano), Spain (Polytechnic Uni Catalonia, Polytechnic Uni Valencia), Switzerland (ETHZ), Sweden (Lund Uni), the UK (Strathclyde Uni) and Israel (Technion Haifa)
- Emphasis on the disciplinary approach to OA implementation, looking into differences by countries and institutions
- Monthly online calls, plus face-to-face meetings at CESAER Annual Conference (this year in Bucharest, Oct 17-19)
- Some of the topics we deal with are:
Analysis of level of alignment from different perspectives

1. Available institutional system infrastructure
   - Mapping repository and CRIS landscape within the group
   - Availability of OJS-supported institutional journals & related best practices
   - Examining OpenAIRE-compatibility

2. Analysis of (rather similar) publishing profiles at an institutional level
   - What are the most popular journals? What’s the distribution by publishers?
   - How many fully OA journals in the institutional top-10?
   - Year-on-year evolution

3. Analysis and comparison of national- and institutional-level policies
   - Green OA- vs Gold OA-based models and their implementation
Joint examination of the publishing landscape

1. Cross-institutional, cross-country discussion on agreements with publishers (or lack thereof)

2. Discussion on potential actions towards institutional researchers involved in journal editorial committees: survey & get together

3. Analysis of the specifics of OA publishing in the Engineering Sciences
   - Lack of fully OA journals in specific fields of Engineering?
   - Plenty of ‘irregular journals’ that do not issue DOIs or use CC licences but get numerous manuscript submissions

Survey for researchers involved in journal editorial committees

Q1. How long have you been serving in the editorial committee you’re currently a member of?
Q2. What are your main motivations for doing this job?
   - required/rewarded at my institution
   - collaborate in the progress of my discipline
   - staying up-to-date in the developments in my area
   - steering/influencing the developments in my discipline (e.g. by suggesting the appropriate special issues)
   - influencing the publication landscape
   - financial benefits (e.g. waived or discounted APCs for my papers with this publisher)
   - other (please specify)
Potential alignment with national-level initiatives
Oct 17-19 CESAER Annual Conference 2018 at Polytechnic University Bucharest

The Conference of European Schools of Advanced Engineering Education and Research (CESAER) represents an opportunity to promote scientific development and innovation in the field of engineering education and research, while close cooperation with the industry sees the application of state of the art technologies in society. CESAER was established in 1990, currently having 50+ member institutions from 26 countries, of which University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest (UPB) is the only Romanian member.

This year, CESAER Annual Meetings (CAM2018) will take place in Bucharest from 17th to 19th of October, hosted by UPB.

CAM 2018 will offer an attractive range of programmes and events, including:

- seven workshops from our task forces and workgroups on the 17th of October;

- a dedicated workshop on tools for infrastructure management and operation at universities of S&T organised by our Task Force Research & Innovation Infrastructures;