Diamond OA community webinar
17 April 2023
Today’s programme

- Welcome
- Presentation of the main takeaways of the Diamond OA Conference (Zadar, 19-20 September 2022)
- Presentation of the diamond projects (DIAMAS, Craft-OA)
  - Presentation
  - Q&A
- Presentation of the Global Summit (23-27 October 2023)
  - Presentation
  - Q&A
- Closing remarks
Main takeaways
Zadar Conference
Quality standards

- Prejudice against OA publishing in certain communities as unreliable and variable in quality.
- The DIAMAS project is developing an *Extensible Quality Standard for Institutional Publishing* (EQSIP)
- Two versions: EQSIP 1.0 and 2.0
- EQSIP 1.0 is aspirational: a gold standard for Diamond Open Access Publishing
- EQSIP 2.0 will be co-designed and community-specific: the standard that is achievable now for specific disciplines, countries, and languages, well within range of EQSIP 1.0.
The Capacity Centre will ideally provide various levels of infrastructure:

- Technical infrastructure (hosting, indexing, preservation, submission systems)
- Non-technical advice: standardized governance, editorial guidelines, author guidelines...
- Service provision: copy-editing and typesetting, editorial assistants.
- Policies: promote best Open Science practices such as Open Peer Review, and Publish, Review, Curate (PCR).
Do not reinvent the wheel!

- Resources provided by different parties
  - tools, guidelines, trainings → many and dispersed -- need to create pathways and single access points
  - Support: several organisations, largely infrastructures: DOAJ, PKP, OpenEdition, Redalyc, but also national agencies like FECYT.
- But onboarding those organisations and using existing tools require specific support.
- Capacity building doesn’t only imply improving “non-technical” capacity on one hand and “technical capacity” on the other, but also to support community, in particular the editors, understanding the implications of technology: for example DOI and JATS XML
- Necessary to collect and understand needs as a continuous process to adjust continuously capacity building effort
To improve sustainability
Who will fund Diamond Open Access and how?

- Sustainability concerns Diamond OA journals, platforms, and the infrastructures that support them
- Need for better understanding of the costs and promote their transparency
- Need for systematic, long-term financial support
- Various types of stakeholders already support sustainability of Diamond OA (universities, funders, libraries, scholarly societies, performing organisations, ministries...)

- The Capacity Centre will act as a hub that both attracts various sources of funding and then distributes them to Diamond OA infrastructures in a coordinated way.
- The Capacity Centre could also act as a lever to unlock new sources of funding (e.g. for institutions that don't know how to fund/organize Diamond OA publishing, and by giving visibility to the different sources of support).
DIAMAS
Overview

• Duration: 36 months
• Starting date: September 2022
• Horizon Europe funding
• Budget €3m
• Participants: 23 public service scholarly organizations from 12 European countries
Project Objectives

• Provide the research community with an aligned, high-quality, and sustainable OA scholarly communication ecosystem, capable of implementing OA as a standard publication practice across the ERA.

• Create a community, supporting services, and non-technical infrastructure for Institutional Publishing Service Providers (IPSPs) that adopt common standards, guidelines, and best practices.

• Common standards, guidelines, and best practices will be co-created and adopted as an Extensible Quality Standard for Institutional Publishing (EQSIP).
1. Understanding the landscape of IPSPs in the ERA
   - Mapping current landscape of IPSP
   - Mapping of existing quality standards
   - Benchmarking of current IPSP

2. Improving coordination, quality, and sustainability of IPSPs
   - Consultations with IPSP: co-creation of best practices, toolkits, guidelines,
   - Engagement with institutional leaders and managers
   - Dissemination

3. Formulating policy & strategy recommendations: dissemination, engagement & impact
Activities

- **Mapping the European landscape of IPSP**
  (lead: UiT) → Sep 2022–Nov 2023

- **Setting standards and assessing quality gaps for IPSP**
  (lead: Fecyt) → Sep 2022–Dec 2023

- **Building IPSP capacity through knowledge sharing**
  (lead: OPERAS) → Feb 2023–Sep 2025

- **Exploring and supporting the sustainability of IPSP**
  (lead: SPARC Europe) → Sep 2022–Apr 2025

- **Providing actionable recommendations for IPSP**
  policies and strategies (lead: Jisc) → Sep 2023–Apr 2025

- **The road to impact: outreach, dissemination, engagement, exploitation**
  (lead: LIBER) → Sep 2022–Sep 2025
Mapping the European landscape of IPSP
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- Identification of IPSPs
- Survey about practices, standards
- Supplemented by database research
The survey: OA Diamond and Institutional Publishing Landscape Survey
the survey will help understand the landscape of institutional publishing, building both on its strengths and innovating for a more equitable publishing ecosystem whilst fully acknowledging that resources are limited.

we aim to build a community of institutional publishers allowing greater collaboration, learning, and knowledge sharing - strength in numbers.
Survey background & development

- Developing a common terminology
- Identifying what the project needs to know and sourcing questions from partners and WPs
- Cutting it down to the essentials
- Translation into 9 languages plus English
- Developing a glossary
- Testing
- Developing FAQs (ongoing)
Survey aims

Create a map of the landscape in Europe

Who are the IPSPs, where are they and how do they interact with the scholarly institutions?

How do IPSPs work, and under which conditions?

What are the main challenges?
The results & outcomes

A detailed report with factual findings

An analysis pointing to areas of importance for IPSPs

Background for further work in the project and for others, e.g.

- The Extensible Quality Standard for Institutional Publishing (EQSIP)
- Financial sustainability recommendations
- Policy recommendations
- Capacity centre development
- Development of relevant tools
CRAFT-OA
CRAFT-OA, project design

Challenge IV
Uptake into EOSC and other large-scale data aggregation

Challenge III
Visibility, Discoverability & Recognition for Diamond OA IPSPs and their content

Challenge II
Communities’ capacity to foster tech. & org. maturity and maintain it over time

Challenge I
Technical state of the art of journal platforms and technical processes

Thread IV
Integration with EOSC and other large-scale data aggregation

Thread III
Increase VDR for Diamond OA IPSPs and their content with joint services

Thread II
Building Communities of practice to foster overall infrastructure improvement

Thread I
Technical improvement for journal platforms

CRAFT-OA
CRAFT-OA, specific objectives

**Specific Objective 1**
Evolve and strengthen the Diamond OA institutional publishing landscape

**Specific Objective 2**
Promote and support alignment & interoperability of existing diamond institutional publishing practices

**Specific Objective 3**
Raise visibility, discoverability, and recognition of Diamond Open Access produced content

**Specific Objective 4**
Support the integration of Diamond OA publishing entities into the EOSC

**Specific Objective 5**
Enable capacity building for Diamond OA IPSPs and IPTPs to contribute with services

**Specific Objective 6**
Create and host beyond funding a reliable comprehensive ‘Diamond OA web of commons’
CRAFT-OA, project design

*The % numbers are the result of weighting of PM efforts and other costs among WPs in CRAFT-OA.
Presentation of the Global Summit on Diamond OA
A programme committee has been put in place, consisting of representatives from ten organising partners.

- Autonomous University of México State (Patricia Zarza)
- AmeliCA (Arianna Becerril García, Eduardo Aguado López)
- ANR (Zoé Ancion)
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- Science Europe (Lidia Borrell-Damián, Bregt Saenen)
- UNESCO (Bhanu Neupane)
1. Diamond OA publication system for the public good
2. Research assessment
3. Efficiency and partnerships
4. Principles and definitions Diamond OA
5. Interoperability and infrastructures
6. Governance global federation
7. Good practices in policy development
8. Quality of processes/monitoring
9. Way forward