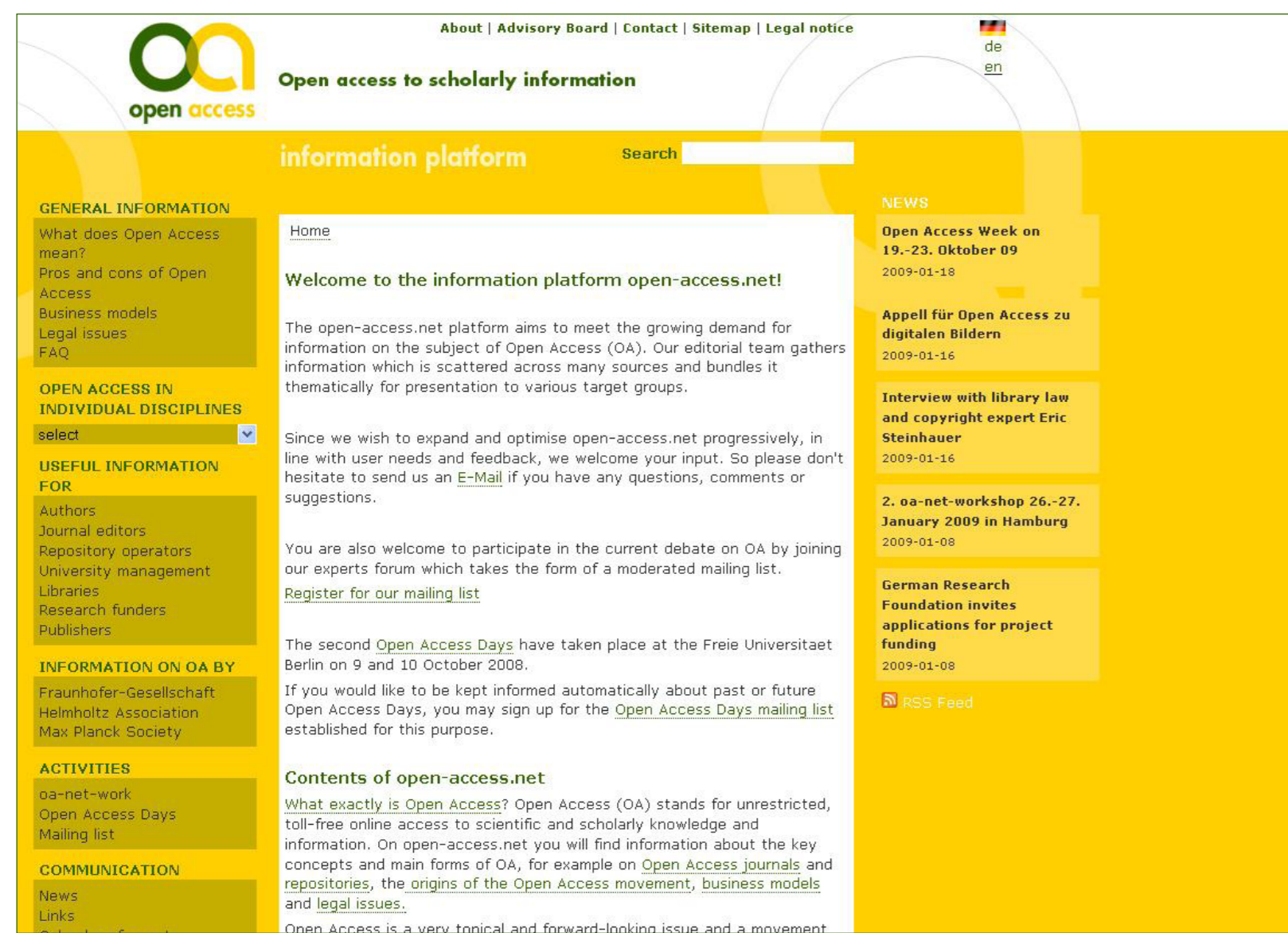




open access information platform

www.open-access.net



“An old tradition and a new technology have converged to make possible an unprecedented public good.”

(Budapester Open Access Initiative)

The platform, which is funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), aims to provide easy and uniform access to information on Open Access (OA) and to provide practical implementation advice. In addition to general information, open-access.net also offers content which relates specifically to Open Access in Germany, Switzerland and Austria. Through its intensive cooperation with institutions of higher education, research organisations and scholarly societies in Germany and with partner institutions in Switzerland and Austria, the Open Access principle can be promoted in a systematic way.

Individual goals of the information platform open-access.net:

- to bundle hitherto disparate resources and information on the subject of Open Access
- to create a clear overall picture of what Open Access is all about
- to make customised information available to target groups via discipline-specific and role-specific points of access
- to provide country-specific information on Open Access
- to offer practical advice on how to argue in favour of and to implement Open Access
- to promote cooperative networking by developing the multiplier network, oa-net-work
- to support the Open Access principle by organising specialised information events such as the Open Access Days
- to make the Open Access idea more widely known by forming a broad alliance

Customised information for

- Scholars and scientists
- University and research institution managers
- Libraries
- Research funders
- Policy makers
- Publishers
- The interested public

Structural Design

- Topical access points**
- What is Open Access?
 - Open Access strategies
 - Journals
 - Repositories
 - Open Access to data
 - History
 - Initiatives and policy documents
 - Pros and cons of Open Access
 - Business models
 - Legal issues
 - Copyright
 - Licences
 - Data protection
 - FAQ

Open Access in individual disciplines

- Discipline-specific access on practical implementation**
- Authors
 - Journal editors
 - Repository operators
 - University management
 - Libraries
 - Research funders
 - Publishers

Information on Open Access by

Activities

Communication/Further Information

Contents

Open Access: free access to scholarly information

- Open Access strategies**
- Self-archiving on document servers
 - Original publications in Open Access journals
- Quality assurance**
- Peer Review
 - Impact measurement
- Policy statements by**
- Funding agencies
 - Research organisations
 - Scholarly societies

Pros of Open Access

- Visibility/impact
- Use/citations
- Up-to-dateness
- Data integration
- Immediate availability
- Authors retain exploitation rights

Cons of Open Access

- Long-term storage
- Findability issues
- Legal concerns
- Authenticity
- Protection of documents
- Costs to the author

Business models

- For-profit-/Non-profit Open Access journals
- Publication fee (Article processing charges)
- Costs met by research funders
- Institutional memberships
- Hybrid financial models
- Community Pays Model
- Costs met by institutions
- Combined financial models
- Other financial models

Legal issues

- Copyright
- OA and the German copyright reform
- Granting of rights of use
- Self-archiving in repositories
- SHERPA/RoMEO-List
- Publishing agreements and author addenda
- Licences (CC-Licences, DIPP, GNU)
- Data protection

Discipline-specific information, policies of scholarly societies

Activities concerning OA, special types of publication

Open Access journals, e.g. FQS, PLoS, Zeitenblicke

Repositories, e.g. ArXiv, PsyDok, SSOAR

Access for authors: FAQ on publication in an Open Access journal

- What do I need to do if I want to publish my document in an Open Access journal?
- Where can I find help with choosing an Open Access journal?
- What do I need to consider when submitting a manuscript?
- What are the technical requirements my manuscript must adhere to?
- Who pays for publishing in an Open Access journal?
- What are the options for getting help with funding?
- What are the options for publishing monographs via Open Access?
- What are the options for publishing dissertations via Open Access?

Access for authors: FAQ on legal aspects

- What do I need to consider when publishing in an OA journal?
- May I deposit articles which have already been published in journals in a document server?
- What do I need to consider when signing a contract with a publisher?
- What do I need to be aware of regarding the transfer of rights between copyright owner and user?
- How can I protect my document from unauthorised modifications?
- Can I still make commercial gain from the documents which I have published via Open Access?

Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft: Fraunhofer-ePrints, full-text server, OA in applied research

Helmholtz Association: OA in Helmholtz Centres, Open Access to Data, network

Max Planck Society: Berlin Declaration, practical implementation, cooperation

oa-net-work: Members, upcoming workshops, documentation, materials

Open Access Days: Exhibition on Open Access, documentation

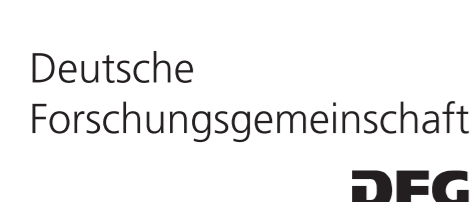
International Open Access Week: Support of national activities

News: Archive, Suggest a news, RSS Feed

Links: General links about OA, legal issues, pros of OA, quality assurance, impact factor

Calendar: Upcoming events, archive

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