



UNIVERSITÉ
DE GENÈVE



Contribution ID: 18

Type: **not specified**

Open Access Publishing: what publishers offer, what scientists want. Final results from the SOAP projects

Thursday, June 23, 2011 2:00 PM (35 minutes)

The SOAP (Study of Open Access Publishing) project investigated the supply of and demand for Open Access (OA) journals, as well as the experiences of scholars with this new publication paradigm. On the supply side, SOAP compiled data on existing OA journals, finding they publish around 8% of the yearly total of scholarly articles, in many cases with extremely high-quality, and a somewhat confused licensing landscape. On the demand side, SOAP ran a large-scale survey of researchers with forty thousand answers across disciplines and around the world. The results show an overwhelming support for the idea of OA, while highlighting funding and (perceived) lack of quality as the main barriers to publishing in OA journals. The talk will present highlights of the project, meant to support libraries, publishers, funding agencies and academics to further analyse risks and opportunities, drivers and barriers, in the transition to OA publishing.

Presenter: Dr MELE, Salvatore (CERN)

Session Classification: Open Access Publishing