

The role of libraries in taking the proposal forward - Norway

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Open Access in Norway

- Discussion centered around institutional repositories (green road).
- Difficult for the institutions to commit to SCOAP off hand, the proposal needs to be examined more thoroughly by the institution heads. The libraries cannot make this decision alone.



But...

- The four largest universities with the majority of the relevant subscriptions are initially positive!
- They don't think policies etc. stand in the way of using the library's money on this kind of sponsorship.
- Participation is being deliberated at the institutions as we speak.



Possible contributions from Norway 1 – consortium titles

Journal	Subscribed by university	Sum price from package
Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A : Elsevier	NTNU, Bergen, Oslo	€36 573
Physics Reports: Elsevier	NTNU, Bergen, Oslo	€17 505
Nuclear Physics B : Elsevier	NTNU, Bergen, Oslo	€45 633
Physics Letters B : Elsevier	NTNU, Bergen, Oslo	€30 903
European Physical Journal C : Springer	Bergen, Oslo	€11 448 in 2001
Journal of high energy physics: IOP	NTNU, Oslo	€2509
Journal of physics G: IOP	NTNU, Bergen, Oslo	€6944
Classical and Quantum Gravity: IOP	NTNU, Oslo, Stavanger	€8633
Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics: IOP	NTNU, Oslo	€1897
SUM		€162 000



Possible contributions from Norway 2 - other titles

Prices for journals from publishers outside consortium packages must be collected from the institutions. AIP and APS for instance, doesn't have list prices, but price tiers. Some of the journals are offered in packages by agents.

We could contact the subscribing institutions and incourage them to contribute the money saved when one of these journals is made OA to SCOAP.



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