

How to flip a journal to (fair) Open Access

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Background

How can editors, researchers, libraries, publishers and funders collaborate to flip existing journals to open access? In the next few years, the transition of subscription/hybrid journals to full open access will accelerate. Plan S has formulated a commitment that this has to seriously begin in 2020. This worries all stakeholders in scholarly communication for different reasons. We will explore different proven approaches and more specifically discuss the various steps in the transition to *Fair* Open Access.

Proposal

The workshop will consist of three parts:

1. A general overview of flipping journals to Open Access

In mixed stakeholder groups we will make an inventory of the different proven approaches:

- How do they resemble each other and how do they differ?
- Do the various stakeholders have a preference and why?
- How can different stakeholders effect the transition?

2. Zooming in on the practicalities of flipping to *Fair* Open Access

Two experience experts will discuss the proces of flipping their journal to Fair Open Access:

- a. **Ludo Waltman** has flipped the *Journal of Informetrics* to *Quantative Science Studies*:
 - Contract with the publisher
 - Working closely together with a Learned Society
 - Unite the editorial board for the flip
 - Issues of impact factors

In mixed stakeholder groups we will discuss the different aspects of this first part of the process

- b. **Johan Rooryck** has flipped *Lingua* to *Glossa*
 - What finances are needed during the transitioning time?
 - Setting up the 'new' journal
 - How to commit the community of authors & peer reviewers?
 - The importance of social media in making the flip a success

In mixed stakeholder groups we will discuss the different aspects of this second part of the process

3. Practical recommendations

- What practical solutions can the different stakeholders contribute?
- Summarize some key actions

Proposed Timings

0900 **Welcome and introduction**

0910 **1. A general overview of flipping journals to Open Access**

Groupdiscussion

0940 Groups feed-back

2a. Zooming in on the practicalities of flipping to Fair Open Access

0950 Ludo Waltman on the first part of the process

1005 Group discussion

1020 Groups feed-back

1030 Coffebreak

2b. Zooming in on the practicalities of flipping to Fair Open Access

1100 Johan Rooryck on the second part of the process

1115 Group discussion

1130 Groups feedback

1140 **Practical recommendations**

Practical solutions from different stakeholders

Key actions

1200 End of the workshop

Outputs from workshop will take the form of notes and suggestions for key actions which will be available via a Google Doc for the workshop.