Open Library of Humanities

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Hybrid environment (two main economic models)

GOLD OA with Author Processing Charges (APCs)

• Finch report estimated average APC cost: £1500-2000

The subscription model

- Since 1986, subscription costs for academic journals have risen by 300% above inflation.
- In addition to exponentially increased research output over this period this has triggered what is known as "the serials crisis"; the inability of library budgets to keep pace with the prices set by publishers.

Commercial goals do not align with scholarly goals

- Frustration and critical stance towards the ongoing commercialization of scholarly publishing
- Growing awareness among academics of open access publishing options
- Sustainability

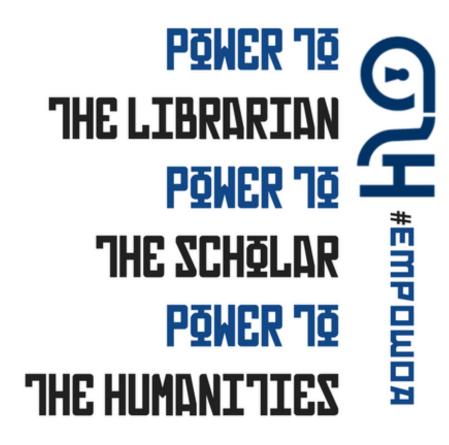
This is how OA looks in a dry funding climate

- The distribution of the economics is the most important factor
- APCs do not work well in the humanities and elsewhere



Not-for-profit / Scholar-led /Academic-led OA

- Economics of scale: consortial funding models (e.g. OLH)
- Open infrastructures, tools and services: Open Journal Systems, Janeway, Scielo, AmeliCA, OLH, DOAJ, Open Knowledge Maps, OAPEN, etc.
- Collaboration and pooled expertise: DARIAH, Foster Open Science, EIFL, Parthenos, OpenAIRE, Humanities Commons, SPARC, OAPEN, OASPA, Fair Open Access Alliance, Scholarled, Radical OA, etc.
- Training: workshops, webinars, conferences, blog posts, etc.



2018: OLH launches the EmpowOA programme, a new marketing inititiative designed to strengthen humanities OA with blog posts, social media conversations, a new referral deal, and open access resources.

How can the OLH support you?

Resources: See our advocacy page for posters, infographics, FAQs and a growing list of other tools

https://www.openlibhums.org/site/about/advocacy/

Learn more about humanities OA: Our Open Insights essay series contains a growing back list of interviews and essays on a wide range of topics

https://www.openlibhums.org/news/tag/Open%20Insights/

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