

Diamond Open Access: An Approach Towards Science as a Global Public Good

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There are several models and diverse strategies that arise in order to make OA a reality. On the one hand, there are approaches that favour inclusion, bibliodiversity and democratization in access and participation in the publication of science. On the other, there are models whose exercise reproduces schemes of epistemic injustice and structural exclusion.

AmeliCA's and Redalyc's efforts are based on the fact that scholarly communication in control of the academy is a much healthier paradigm for the development of science and society and for the long-term sustainability of journal publishing.

Non-commercial Open Access where no fees are involved, neither for readers nor for authors (Diamond OA) is an approach that prevents science to be commodified. It enables scholarly communications to work out of commercial circuits ruled by private interests. It privileges the interests of the academic and scientific community.

The OA Diamond Journals Study, commissioned by Coalition S and Science Europe, found that the number of OA diamond journals is high, and they face various challenges in terms of transparency, sustainability, technical capacity, indexation and visibility and it identified the need of more coordinated efforts in the diamond landscape towards a new Open Access Commons.

So, it is strategic for the research community, universities, libraries, funders to join forces, as well as share and connect individual and institutional efforts to strengthen Diamond OA that guarantees both, publishing is led by the scholarly community and its openness could be sustainable. All leveraged with technology to find more effective methods of communication and deployment of the knowledge generated by different regions, disciplinary fields or languages.