THE ROLE OF THE RESEARCH PROMOTION FOUNDATION IN IMPLEMENTING OPEN ACCESS POLICIES FOR SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

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new approach to the scientific process based on cooperative work and new ways of disseminating knowledge, improving accessibility to and re-usability of research outputs by using digital technologies and new collaborative tools.
Revised European Commission Recommendation on access to and preservation of scientific information published on 25th April 2018, aiming at guiding Members States to reach goal of transition to immediate open access as the default 2020

“Open Access to Scientific Information is a cornerstone of a modern Open Science system”
Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research Science and Innovation
The role of the funding organisations as viewed in the Commission’s Recommendation of 25/4/2018

…on Open access to scientific publications

Member States should ensure that research funding institutions responsible for managing public research funding and academic institutions receiving public funding implement policies and national action plans at national level in a coordinated way by:

1. setting institutional policies for the dissemination of and open access to scientific publications, and establishing implementation plans

2. including requirements for open access as a condition to give out grant agreements or to provide other financial support for research, together with mechanisms for monitoring compliance with these requirements and follow up actions to correct cases of non-compliance
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3. making the necessary **funding** available for dissemination (including open access and re-use) in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner allowing for different channels, including digital infrastructures where appropriate, as well as new and experimental methods of scholarly communication

4. providing **guidance to researchers** on how to comply with open access policies, and supporting them to do so, especially regarding the management of their intellectual property rights to ensure open access to their publications
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5. conducting joint negotiations with publishers to obtain transparent and the best possible terms for access to publications, including use and re-use.

6. ensuring that publications resulting from public funding are easily identifiable by appropriate technical means, including through metadata attached to electronic versions of the research output and persistent identifiers.
…on the Management of research data, including open access

Member States should ensure that research funding institutions responsible for managing public research funding and academic institutions receiving public funding implement the policies and national action plans at national level in a coordinated way by:

1. setting institutional policies for research data management, and establishing implementation plans
2. including requirements for data management plans and open access to research data as a principle ("as open as possible, as closed as necessary") for projects producing research data in grant agreements and other financial support for research, together with mechanisms for monitoring compliance with those requirements and follow up actions to correct cases of non-compliance
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3. making the necessary **funding** for data management available

4. providing **guidance** to researchers on how to comply with research data
management policies, and supporting them to do so, especially regarding
the development of sound data management planning skills and digital
infrastructures that support access to and preservation of research data

5. ensuring that datasets are easily **identifiable** through persistent identifiers
and can be **linked to other datasets and publications** through
appropriate mechanisms, and that additional information is provided to
enable their proper evaluation and use
Open Access to Scientific Information at the Research Promotion Foundation

1. Horizon 2020 – Information/Legal and Financial NCP
2. National Point of Reference for Open Access

Open Science and the Role of Repositories 9 - 10 May 2018, University of Cyprus
Horizon 2020 – Information/Legal and Financial NCPs (Ms Lina Tsoumpanou and Mr Christos Charalambous)

- Provide information to applicants and project participants on obligations regarding OA for DMPs, publications and research data
- Disseminate supporting actions for OA
- Promote good practices
National Point of Reference for Open Access

- coordinating the measures listed in the Recommendation
- acting as an interlocutor with the Commission on questions pertaining to access to and preservation of scientific information, in particular better definitions of common principles and standards, implementation measures and new ways of disseminating and sharing research results in the European Research Area
- reporting on the follow-up to the Recommendation

- Work Programme Document
- General participation regulations and procedures
- adopts all provisions of the National Open Access Policy

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Work Programme Document

Section III - Participation Procedures and Regulations

Chapter 7 - EXPLOITATION AND DISSEMINATION OF KNOWLEDGE

7.1 OWNERSHIP OF KNOWLEDGE – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

7.2 PROTECTION OF KNOWLEDGE – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

7.3 KNOWLEDGE EXPLOITATION AND DISSEMINATION

7.4 OPEN ACCESS
Open Access to digital copies and metadata of all publications (post-prints)

Free choice between Self-archiving (Green Route) and Open Access Journals (Gold Route)

Compulsory and immediate submission of metadata and digital copy of publication (final quality assured version/peer reviewed version) to a suitable repository – Researchers are held responsible for consistent and complete submission of their work to the repository
Embargo period: article and metadata are expected to be accessible immediately upon submission to repository unless the publisher imposes an embargo period – a publication abstract should be accessible and the publication may be ‘inaccessible’ until embargo period expires.

Suitable repositories: provide Open Access to scientific information, allowing data citation through persistent Digital Object Identifiers (DOI) and/or other means that provide quality metadata (including reference to research funding), based on accepted guidelines and standards for interoperability with international digital harvesters as well as compatibility with OpenAIRE or corresponding infrastructures.
- **Free Choice** between Institutional Repositories – thematic – international Repositories

- Zenodo ([https://zenodo.org/](https://zenodo.org/))

RPF provides the possibility to fund expenses resulting from the submission of articles to in Open Access Journals and other OA related costs

Expenses can be included in «Other Specific Costs»
Monitoring of Implementation of Open Access Policy

- Proposal Evaluation stage
- Progress Monitoring of Projects/ Progress Reports – Information regarding metadata and repository
- Statistical data collection from repositories – OpenAIRE
- Sanctions – Gradual application of sanctions during implementation of RESTART 2016-2020 (monitoring, recommendations, eligibility of costs)
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