

Evidence for Orderly Transition: The EU Project SOAP (Study of Open Access Publishing)

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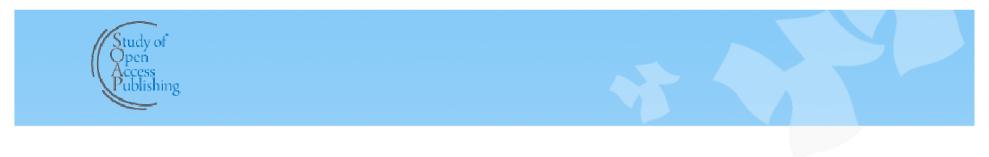




Project description

Study on Open Access Publishing (SOAP)

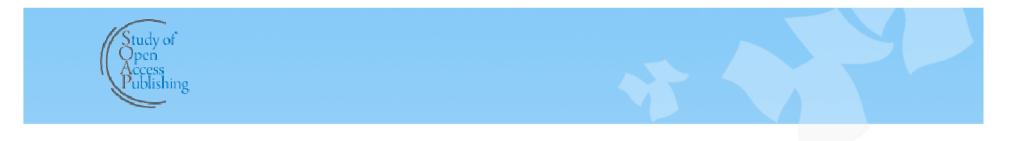
- will focus primarily on the Golden Road to open access
- will describe and analyse open access publishing models
- will investigate researchers' position towards open access
- is a two-year project running from March 2009 until Feb 2011
- is funded by the European Commission (FP7 Science and Society)
- provides data and information for the European Commission, libraries, funding agencies, publishers and researchers



Partners

Research Organizations, Funding Agencies and Publishers





Approach, Part 1

Qualitative and quantitative assessment of existing open access models

- Analysis of open access titles in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) with respect to business model, license, copyright, and more
- Analysis of prevalence of hybrid titles, and share of open access articles in hybrid journals among major publishers
- Timeline: End of 2009

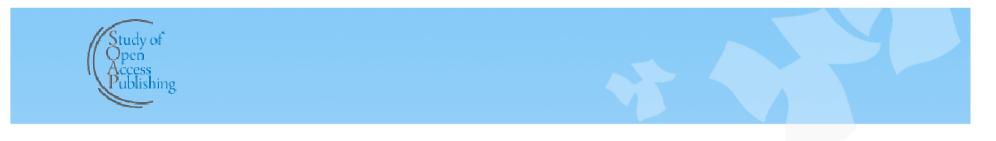


Approach, Part 2

Large-scale survey among researchers on knowledge, understanding, attitudes, desires and practices towards open access

- Aim to widest coverage in disciplines and EU member states and beyond
- Collected data to be made available publicly for further analysis
- Survey to be released in early 2010

Please watch out for our survey and support us in reaching out to scholars!



Approach, Part 3

Validation of results and knowledge extension with realworld scientific communities

- Clustering of communities based on survey analysis
- "Litmus groups" case studies to complement survey and description of open access publishing models
- Results to be communicated to European Commission, libraries, funding agencies, publishers and researchers at the end of 2010



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1st Conference on OA Publishing

September 14th, 2009 Members of the SOAP consortium will take part at the first conference more...

August 5th, 2009 In the FP7 Science in Society call in 2008, besides SOAP two more... Commissi

Other Projects on OA in FP7 CREST Questionnaire on Scientific Information

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