Born Open Access

How to Start an Open Access Journal: 2024 Small Publisher Primer

The Primer is a guide for those working with a scholarly society or institution to launch an OA journal in-house. It is a comprehensive resource for journals to flip to OA.

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Jisc New University Press toolkit

An online guide supporting and giving guidance to new university presses and library-led publishing ventures. It is a trusted and valued resource.

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Language Science Press

Language Science Press is a born-digital scholar-led open access publisher in linguistics so a good example of what can be achieved.

Read their collaborative 'Cookbook'

The book is available for collaborative reading online. Readers can directly annotate the text there, raise questions, make comments or share personal experiences. Source code is also freely available. It doesn't claim to be written by experts but is complemented by the business model, open business data, and a spreadsheet for drafting and calculating own business models.

Open Book Collective toolkit

The Open Book Collective (OBC) toolkit is for small, scholar-led OA publishers who are either setting up a press or seeking to improve its operations. It covers a broad range of aspects about setting up a press and building one up logistically and reputationally. It also provides case studies.

Access the toolkit

Find out more about the OBC

OPERAS Pathfinder

A publication service finder from Operas for editorial managers, editors and authors at any stage of a publication project. This version of the Pathfinder has been implemented as part of OPERAS-PLUS, a project funded by the European Commission under Grant Agreement No. 101079608.

Pathfinder works as a catalogue where scholarly communication services are offered, mainly by OPERAS members e.g. OBC, Thoth but possibly from other providers as well, to researchers acting as editors and editorial managers to support their work and improve its quality. Authors can also use the Pathfinder to receive suggestions for publishing the results of their research.

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