OA2020-DE: Country Report Germany

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Alliance of Science Organizations

- Informal cooperation between the most significant science and research organizations in Germany
- Regular commentary on issues of science policy, research funding, and structural development of the German science system
- Cooperation is pursued on a management and working level
  - management level: presidents of the respective organizations (quarterly meetings)
  - working level (cooperation in the form of working groups)
Priority Initiative „Digital Information“

A joint initiative of the Alliance of Science Organizations in Germany aiming to improve the provision of information in research and teaching. Goals:

• to guarantee the broadest possible access to digital publications, research data and other source materials and thus ensure that they can be used in other research contexts
• to create an optimal framework for the international distribution and reception of German publications and research data
• to ensure the long-term availability of the digital media and contents that have been acquired from around the world and their integration in the digital research environment
• to support IT-based research by means of innovative information technologies and digital methods

http://www.allianzinitiative.de/en/
Priority Initiative „Digital Information“

- Steering Committee
- Working Groups
  - National licensing
  - Open Access
  - National hosting strategy
  - Research data
  - Virtual research environments
  - Legal frameworks
- Ad-hoc Working Groups for Cross-Disciplinary Issues
  - Open Access Gold
  - Usage Rights
  - Research Software

(subject to change in the third period, 2018 to 2022)
Side Aspects

- **DEAL initiative: role model for cooperation**
  
  https://www.projekt-deal.de/about-deal/

  joint initiative, joint financing of staff, joint mandate

- **Open Access Strategy by BMBF**
  
  https://www.bmbf.de/pub/Open_Access_in_Deutschland.pdf

  - White paper is acknowledged.
  - „This transformation process is to be supported.“
History

- 03/2015 Discussion in President‘s meeting
- 04/2015 White paper
- 12/2015 Berlin12 conference: NCPs to be established
- 01/2016 Initial discussion in Steering Committee
- 02/2016 First draft of a project proposal for a NCP
- 03/2016 Discussion in Working Groups
- 05/2016 Discussion in Steering Committee
  → Second draft, approved by steering committee
- 06/2016 President‘s approval of project proposal
- 12/2016 Cooperation Contract approved
- 02/2017 NCP OA2020-DE officially in operation
## NCP: Project Team

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NCP: Structure

Initiator:
Alliance of Science Organizations in Germany

Steering Committee (as required):
of project DEAL

Project Team

Project Staff: Concepts, Communication, Data

Alliance group Open Access, Alliance group Licensing, DEAL

German institutions (universities, research institutions, ...)

Global network of NCPs in OA2020
# Work Packages

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<td>Aggregation of national and international data on publication output and also on the cost of acquisition and funding of journal publications (total cost of publication)</td>
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<td>Creating transformation models in collaboration with actors from scientific institutions and publishing houses</td>
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<td>Discussions with institutions leading negotiations and advice for institutions leading negotiations</td>
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<td>Compiling practical guidelines and information material</td>
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<td>Participation in and organization of conferences and/or workshops on transformation to OA</td>
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<td>International networking with NCPs</td>
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Thank you for your attention!

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