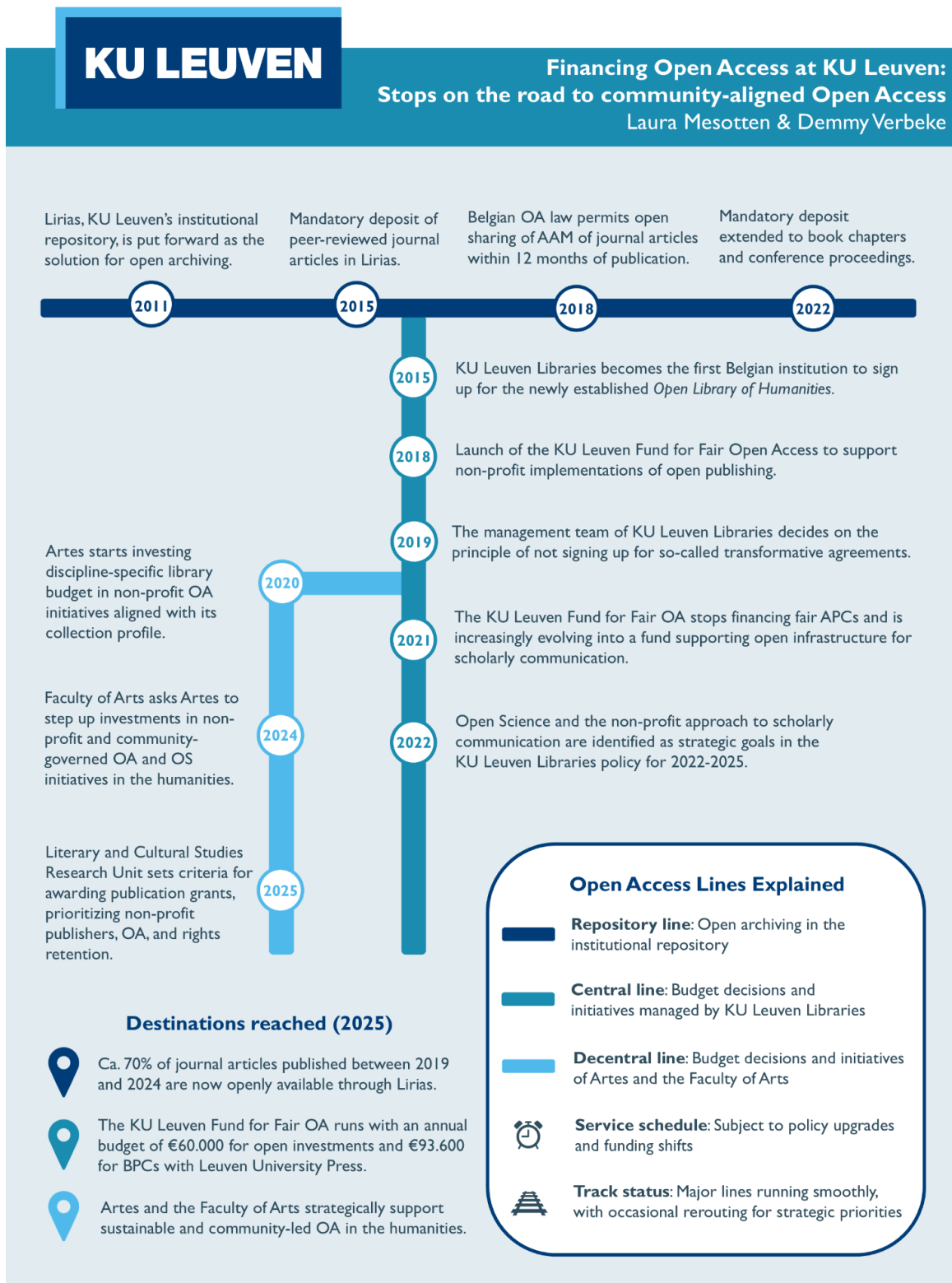


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TUESDAY



From Mandate to Movement: How Funders Can Support Equitable Open Access in the Global South



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● **The challenge:** Funding gaps, high APC, infrastructure, publishing bias

●● **The role of the funders:** Mandates → Action → Impact

●●● **Pillars**

Funding models	Infrastructure and capacity	Collaboration
Diamond OA, Waivers	Repositories, training	Regional sharing, South/ North partnership

Call For Action



- **Funders:** Move beyond mandates to sustained engagement
- **Researchers & librarians:** Advocate for equity-focused OA policies
- **Governments:** Align national science policy with open access goals

Together: OASPA shapes policy and standards, DOAJ ensures discoverability and quality enabling funders to move from mandate to movement in the Global South

Anticipated Impact

- Greater visibility of Global South research
- Knowledge equity: inclusion in global policymaking
- Sustainable, community-owned publishing ecosystems



Mandates are not just rules - they are opportunities for equity in Open Access

Reimagining Equity and Inclusion in Open Access Publishing

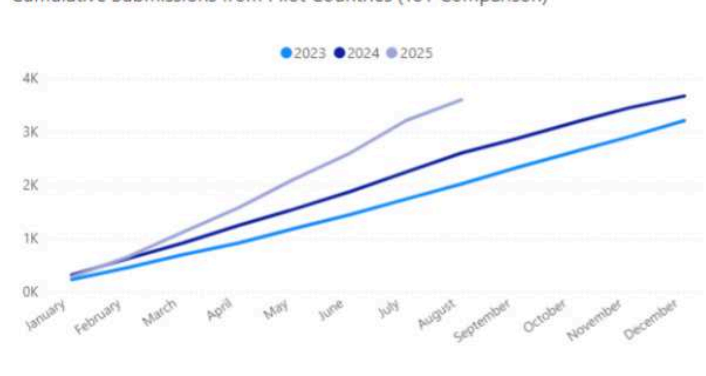
Pricing power parity is **an innovative strategy** to **set prices based on regional purchasing power**.

In January 2025, we've launched a 12-month pilot for authors from Latin America across our gold OA journals to improve OA equity through regionally adjusted APC pricing.

What we've learned so far:

- Significant increase in gold OA manuscript submissions from pilot countries, with the highest growth coming from Brazil.
- Other countries showing increased submissions include Argentina, Chile, and Guyana.
- Revenue and accepted article trends are still emerging but are trending positively.
- Marketing activities and society support to help increase author awareness has been important for pilot success.

Cumulative Submissions from Pilot Countries (YoY Comparison)



By aligning publishing charges with regional economic realities, we're committed to transforming the research landscape from one of privilege to one of possibility.

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Mapping the Arab Region's Open Access Landscape

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22 ARAB STATES
2,519 JOURNALS MAPPED

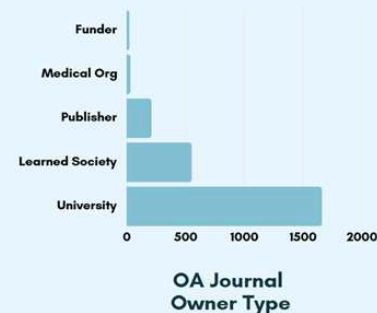
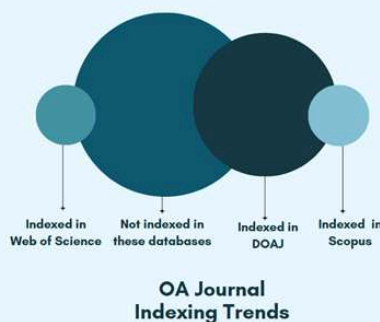
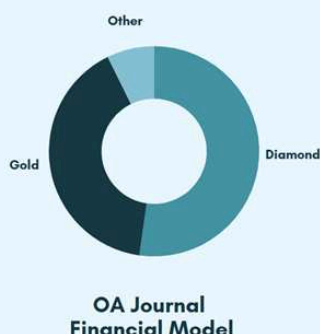
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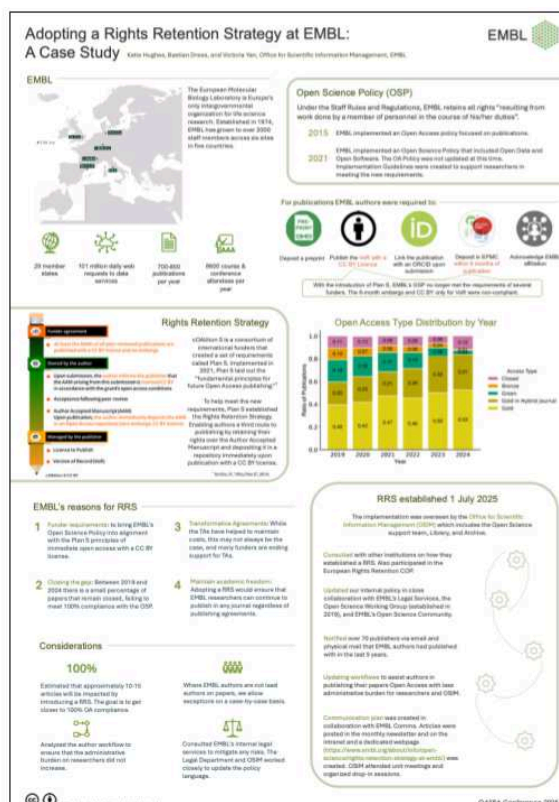
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Building Sustainable, Transparent, and Fair Open Access Scholarly Publishing at Scale

Lessons from ACM



FINANCIAL
SUSTAINABILITY

TRANSPARENCY

SCALABILITY

FAIRNESS

1. FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

- Revenue Diversification
- Cost Management
- Resilience Planning



With the ACM Open model firmly established, ACM Publications expects to achieve financial sustainability by the end of 2028.

2. TRANSPARENCY

- Open Financial Reporting
- Data-Driven Decisions
- Member Communication



Annual public disclosures of revenues, expenditures, and strategic investments.

3. FAIRNESS

- Author-Centric Models
- Community Reinvestment
- Ethical Pricing



Surpluses reinvested into new tools, research initiatives, and educational programs.

4. SCALABILITY

- Infrastructure Growth
- Global Reach
- Adaptable Policies



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