

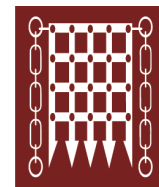
## Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar

### Open access research and the future for academic publishing

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013

Venue: Wellcome Trust Lecture Hall, Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG

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8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee

9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**

**David Amess MP**, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Publishing

9.05 - 9.55 **An academic spring? Encouraging public engagement with research and the potential for worldwide open access**

*How can open access reform and the Government's proposals for the provision of walk-in access to journals in public libraries improve public engagement with research? To what extent should the rules on use and re-use of content be relaxed, and would greater relaxation of these restrictions encourage new models for organising research, for example online encyclopaedias? Will the adoption of 'Gold' open access in the UK and the adoption of 'Gold' or 'Green' models in the EU's Horizon 2020 programme influence a global shift towards open access? What effect might open access have on the UK and wider EU's competitive position in research and development? How can repositories be re-structured to make them better integrated and interoperable?*

**Dr Tony Peatfield**, Director of Corporate Affairs, Medical Research Council

**Stefan Delplace**, Secretary General, EURASHE (European Association of Institutions in Higher Education)

**Frederick Friend**, Honorary Director Scholarly Communication, University College London

**Maja Maricevic**, Head of Higher Education, British Library

**Dr James Milne**, Managing Director for Publishing, Royal Society of Chemistry

Questions and comments from the floor

9.55 - 10.45 **The way forward for the academic publishing industry**

*What challenges will the academic publishing industry face in adopting the 'Gold' model? What will be the likely impact on learned societies and other organisations that rely on publishing revenues to fund their core activities? What are the incentives for engaging with open access publishing? What are practical challenges for extending the current licence arrangements that grant universities access to published research so that 'high technology businesses' also have access, as proposed by Government? Does the 'Gold' model open the possibility of wider readership of journals, and if so, what steps could publishers take to engage more readers? What is the outlook for further investment in specialist and educational digital content and what models are publishers adopting to finance these ventures? What is the future for open source software such as Open Journal System as an alternative publication platform?*

**Mark Hahnel**, Founder, figshare

**David Prosser**, Executive Director, RLUK (Research Libraries UK)

**Professor Nigel Vincent**, Professor Emeritus of General & Romance Linguistics, University of Manchester and Vice-President for Research and HE Policy, The British Academy

**Professor Sheila Anderson**, Professor of e-Research, Centre for e-Research, King's College London

**Dr Jonathan Tedds**, Senior Research Fellow, D2K Data to Knowledge, University of Leicester

Questions and comments from the floor

10.45 - 11.10 **Smoothing the pathway to gold open access research**

**Professor Martin Hall**, Vice-Chancellor, University of Salford and Chair, UK Open Access Implementation Group

Questions and comments from the floor

11.10 - 11.15 **Chairman's closing remarks**

**David Amess MP**, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Publishing

11.15 - 11.35 Coffee

11.35 - 11.40 **Chairman's opening remarks**

**Tristram Hunt MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Publishing

11.40 - 12.30 **Implementing the open access research model**

*What will be the impact on the academic community, university finances and academic publishers of the move towards the 'Gold' open access model, where authors pay an Article Processing Charge (APC) for publication in journals? What are the benefits and challenges of the 'Gold' model over alternatives such as the 'Green' model where all research is distributed freely through repositories? Will the £10m HEFCE funding be sufficient to assist the top 30 'research intensive' universities with the transition to open access, and what support should be available for other universities? Will HEFCE plans to require open access to research submitted to the Research Excellence Framework be enough to ensure the 'Gold' model is adopted? What steps need to be put in place by universities, research bodies, publishers and government to ensure a smooth transition to 'Gold' open access? Should publishers insist on a longer embargo period when funds are not available for APCs, as recommended by the Finch report? Will the current levels of research council block grant to universities sufficiently allow institutions to cover APCs?*

**Professor Tom McLeish**, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research, Durham University

**Mark Thorley**, Head of Science Information and Data Management Coordinator, NERC (Natural Environment Research Council)

**Dr Michael Jubb**, Founding Director, Research Information Network and Secretary, Finch Committee

**Ziyad Marar**, Global Publishing Director, SAGE Publications

**Dr Malcolm Skingle**, Director, Academic Liaison, GSK

Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 - 12.55 **Open access policy**

**Ron Egginton**, Head, BBSRC and ESRC Team, Research Funding Unit, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**

**Tristram Hunt MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Publishing

**Jonny Roberts**, Senior Producer, Westminster Higher Education Forum