

KOTILAVA

Finnish academic journals towards immediate Open Access

The National Library of Finland and The Federation of Finnish Learned Societies support Finnish scholarly journals in their transition to immediate Open Access.

First, a new consortium based funding model for Finnish OA journals will be created. Second, the software for editing and publishing OA journals is developed to meet the requirements of readers, authors, publishers and funders.

The tasks of Kotilava project are:

- determining the criteria the journals should meet (e.g. technical and bibliographical requirements);
- calculating the income needed to fund immediate OA;
- outlining the criteria how an article based fee is determined in different types of journals;
- negotiating with the possible funders and the journals; and
- proposing a system for collecting the funds to the consortium and for distributing it to the journals with minimum transaction costs.

The members of the consortium would be universities, universities of applied sciences, and research institutes whose researchers use Finnish scholarly journals as publication channels.

In Autumn 2016, a group of 11 journals has begun to examine the possibilities of creating the new funding model in practice.

During 2017, the journals will test different patterns. The new financing system for immediate OA publishing for domestic journals should be ready to be presented by 2018.



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