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Eight country studies

- Austria
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Norway
- United Kingdom
Why monographs?

“The writing of the long-form publication (the monograph) is the research process.”

— Professor Geoffrey Crossick

“The Monograph is Big Data”

— Dr. Frances Pinter
Definition of the monograph

A long, academic and peer reviewed work on a single topic normally written by a single author, and extended to also include peer reviewed edited collections by multiple authors.
Structure of the report

Part One
- Methodology
- The landscape overview
- Recommendations to Knowledge Exchange

Part Two
- Country studies

Part Three
- Notable initiatives and projects
- Information gaps
- Stakeholder recommendations

Part Four (appendices)
- Literature review
- Article on BPCs
- Article on assessing the impact of OA books
- List of interviewees and acronyms
- Acknowledgements and questionnaires
Key findings
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— Plethora of experiments

— The eight countries are similar in many ways but huge differences in size, book markets, OA policies, funding streams and publishers’ approaches to OA

— Also big differences within countries

— Substantial funding is available but needs re-routing – major challenge

— No single model will fit all, a variety of models are emerging

— Libraries play a crucial role in the development of OA to books
Benchmarking
Benchmarking: Funding for OA books
Benchmarking: OA book publishing

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Benchmarking: Policies for OA books

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Selected recommendations

― Convene stakeholders, learn from each other

― Explain what books and book publishers are to policy makers and funders

― Work cross sectoral (OA, licensing, acquisition, accounting) and international

― Develop infrastructures for OA books

― Create an Open Access Book Watch

― Address misconceptions around OA books through case stories
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