**LAI Library Publishing Group**

**Open Access Publishing Principles and Standards**

**Openness**

1. The LAI Library Publishing Group (LPG) advocates Diamond Open Access Publishing, free to publish and free to read (no APCs). The LPG has endorsed the [Science Europe Access Plan for Diamond Open Access](https://www.scienceeurope.org/our-priorities/open-access/)
2. The LPG requires that library published journals explicitly outline the commitment to OA in a brief statement on the journal website
3. The LPG stipulates that all library published journals be indexed on the [Directory of Open Access Journals](https://doaj.org/apply/guide/) and must indicate that the journal is library published in the DOAJ metadata.
4. The LPG encourages the use of open source publishing platforms
5. The LPG advocates the immediate publication of content without restrictions or embargoes.
6. The LPG recommends that publicly funded scholarly articles must adhere to the relevant recommendations in the [NORF’s National Framework on the Transition to an Open Research Environment](https://enterprise.gov.ie/en/publications/national-framework-on-the-transition-to-an-open-research-environment.html)
7. The LPG advocates open research data management in line with the [FAIR principles](https://www.go-fair.org/fair-principles/).
8. The LPG advocates the use of [Creative Commons Licenses](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/) which support the dissemination and reuse of scholarly works and the retention of author rights.

**Governance**

1. **Ethics**

The LPG recommends that all library published journal adhere to the ethical publishing principles as outlined by the [Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)](https://publicationethics.org/)

1. **Website**
2. Define the Focus and Scope of the journal
3. Outline publication frequency
4. Contact details
5. Author submission guidelines
6. Accessibility statement
7. Outline sources of support for the journal
8. ISSN
9. All articles must be assigned persistent identifiers, specifically, digital object identifiers (DOIs)
10. Privacy statement
11. **Editorial and Advisory Boards**

The LPG advocates that all library published journals establish an Editorial Board of at least five people led by the Editor-in-Chief and a Managing Editor to oversee the production of the journal. Members must have relevant subject and academic publishing experience and their names and affiliations must be indicated on the website.

The LPG also advocates that library published journals must establish an Advisory Board comprised of subject experts in the area and with extensive publishing experience to guide the development of the journal. Board members’ names and affiliations must be indicated on the website.

1. **Peer Review Policy**

The LPG stipulates that all library published journals clearly outline on the website a robust academic peer review policy, e.g. double-blind peer review, open peer review, etc.

1. **The Leiden Manifesto**

The LPG endorses the use of the [Leiden Manifesto](http://www.leidenmanifesto.org/) to demonstrate research impact

1. **Copyright**

The LPG stipulates that all library published journals adhere to current [Irish Copyright Legislation](https://enterprise.gov.ie/en/legislation/copyright-and-other-intellectual-property-law-provisions-act-2019.html).

1. **Preservation**

The LPG requires all library published journals to clearly outline robust digital preservations policies, e.g., [LOCKSS](https://www.lockss.org/) and [CLOCKSS](https://clockss.org/). Journals must publish at least five issues per year to qualify for the National Library of Ireland’s preservation scheme.

1. **Educopia’s Library Publishing Curriculum**

The LPG recommends that all library publishing staff complete Educopia’s [Library Publishing Curriculum](https://librarypublishing.org/resources/library-publishing-curriculum/)

1. **Library Publishing Coalition’s Library Publishing Directory**

The LPG recommends that all library published journals are listed on the Library Publishing Coalition’s [Library Publishing Directory](https://librarypublishing.org/lp-directory/).

**Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)**

The LPG recommends that all library published journals publish an EDI Statement that commits to inclusive practices across journal content, operations and staffing, as outlined by the [Coalition for Diversity and Inclusion in Scholarly Communications](https://c4disc.pubpub.org/#:~:text=The%20Coalition%20for%20Diversity%20and%20Inclusion%20in%20Scholarly,issues%20of%20diversity%20and%20inclusion%20within%20our%20industry.).