



Dear DOAJ Supporter

I want to thank you for your support for DOAJ during 2022 and to ask for your renewed support in 2023.

We now have **18,500 journals indexed in DOAJ**. At the time of writing DOAJ has already added over 1,500 new journals in 2022. Of course, we receive many more applications than we accept, each one of which is dealt with by a member of DOAJ staff and/or a member of our tremendous volunteer network. A huge amount of work goes on behind the scenes to ensure the integrity of our database.

DOAJ makes it easy for libraries to integrate trusted open access journals and articles into their services, catalogues and guides. Discovery systems can use our data to help library users find reliable open access content. Our service supports libraries' open access workflows and helps you to help your researchers identify quality open access publications venues.

We depend on the support we receive from you: libraries, universities and research centers. Your support helps us maintain and develop the platform and its services, services that are firmly entrenched in the scholarly publishing workflow worldwide.

With your support, DOAJ has achieved more than ever in 2022, increasing our value to the scholarly publishing ecosystem.

- We have underlined our leadership for standards in scholarly publishing by co-authoring the fourth version of the [Principles of Transparency and Best Practice in Scholarly Publishing](#).
- Via [the JASPER project](#), we are addressing the problem of journals that disappear from the Web through a campaign to increase their long-term preservation.
- Our [ambassador program](#) continues to expand. Our ambassadors raise awareness of open access and publishing standards across the world, including webinars for journal editors in Africa.
- We have further enhanced DOAJ's coverage with projects to get more journals from under-represented countries and languages indexed in DOAJ—for example, [Japan](#).

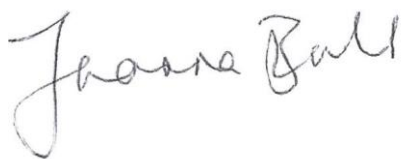
- Through [a fundraising campaign](#) with other partners, we are supporting the staff of Ukrainian journals so they can continue publishing. We are even helping them become indexed in DOAJ.

Other work has seen us increase our capacity and renew our promise to retain our focus on promoting open access and providing our valuable services for free.

- Despite an increase in the volume of applications, we are building out our editorial workflow system. This will increase our efficiency and help us maintain our target time it takes us to process an application: three months or less.
- We made clear our commitment to remaining an open, transparent and community-governed infrastructure by [committing to the Principles of Open Scholarly Infrastructure](#)
- We extended our support for Diamond open access journals by [endorsing the international Diamond Action Access Plan](#) and [joining DIAMAS](#), a major new Horizon Europe project to build capacity and sustainability for equitable, community-driven, academic-led publishing.

The amount of value that your support brings to the scholarly research ecosystem is infinitely greater than the cost of supporting us. I do hope you'll consider supporting us again.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joanna Ball". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

Joanna Ball