



Council of Australian University Librarians and IWA Publishing announce new Read & Publish agreement

Partnership will boost open access publication of research from Australia and New Zealand.

The Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) and IWA Publishing have reached a transformative agreement that will combine reading access to IWA Publishing journals with immediate open access (OA) publishing for CAUL affiliated authors.

The three-year partnership, which takes effect on 1 January 2023, allows researchers from participating institutions in Australia and New Zealand to publish OA across IWA Publishing's extensive range of journals, without an Article Processing Charge.

"We are very pleased to sign this agreement with CAUL," said Rod Cookson, Managing Director for IWA Publishing. "It will make it even simpler for researchers in Australia and New Zealand to publish in IWA Publishing's 14 Open Access journals and share their work with everyone around the world."

"Open access agreements like this are a critical element in the transition to open research," said Arthur Smith, Associate Director, Content Procurement at CAUL. "We are delighted that eligible authors will have the chance to publish their work open access with IWA Publishing without barriers or restrictions."

This arrangement is compatible with the Australian Research Council's <u>OA policy</u>, which states that all ARC funded research must be made Openly Accessible.

About CAUL Inc.

The <u>Council of Australian University Librarians</u> (CAUL) is the peak leadership organisation for university libraries in Australia and New Zealand. CAUL members are the University Librarians or equivalent of the 39 institutions that have representation on <u>Universities Australia</u> (UA) and the 8 University Librarians or equivalent of the institutions that have representation on <u>Universities New Zealand</u> (UNZ) and who form the <u>Council of New Zealand University Librarians</u> (CONZUL), a committee of UNZ. CAUL makes a significant contribution to higher education strategy, policy and outcomes through a commitment to a shared purpose: To transform how people experience knowledge – how it can be discovered, used and shared. CAUL's vision is that society is transformed through the power of research, teaching and learning. University libraries are essential knowledge and information infrastructures that enable student achievement and research excellence.

About IWA Publishing

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We publish journals and books that reflect the global water community, in terms of ethnicity, gender, nationality and role.