Council of Australian University Librarians and Taylor & Francis announce new Read & Publish agreement

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

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The Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) and Taylor & Francis have signed a new transformative agreement which combines read access to journals with open access (OA) publication of research from participating institutions.

Under the three-year partnership, beginning January 2023, researchers from participating institutions in Australia and New Zealand can choose to publish OA in an extensive range of Open Select (hybrid) Taylor & Francis and Routledge journals, without needing to pay an article publishing charge. The number of OA articles to be published under the deal is planned to increase each year.

The agreement also ensures library users at participating institutions can continue to read all the Taylor & Francis journals in their current subscriptions.

“This agreement with Taylor & Francis is another important step in our journey towards full Open Access, providing new Open Access publishing options for researchers in Australia and Aotearoa/New Zealand across an even greater array of disciplines”, said Hero Macdonald, Deakin University Librarian and CAUL Content Procurement Committee member. “We know that many researchers in Universities throughout Australia and New Zealand are very interested in Open Access opportunities with Taylor and Francis, especially considering the engagement this publisher has with local societies.”

Ian Jones, VP and APAC Commercial Lead at Taylor & Francis, commented, “We’re delighted that this new agreement with our partners at CAUL will achieve our shared goal of supporting researchers to choose OA. There’s lots of exciting research coming out of Australia and New Zealand and we look forward to seeing OA help maximize its reach and impact.”

This arrangement is compatible with the recently announced National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Open Access Policy, which allows funded researchers to publish OA in hybrid journals that are part of a formal agreement.

About CAUL Inc.

The Council of Australian University Librarians Incorporated (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 Universities Australia and the 8 members of the Council of New Zealand University Librarians (CONZUL). 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.

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