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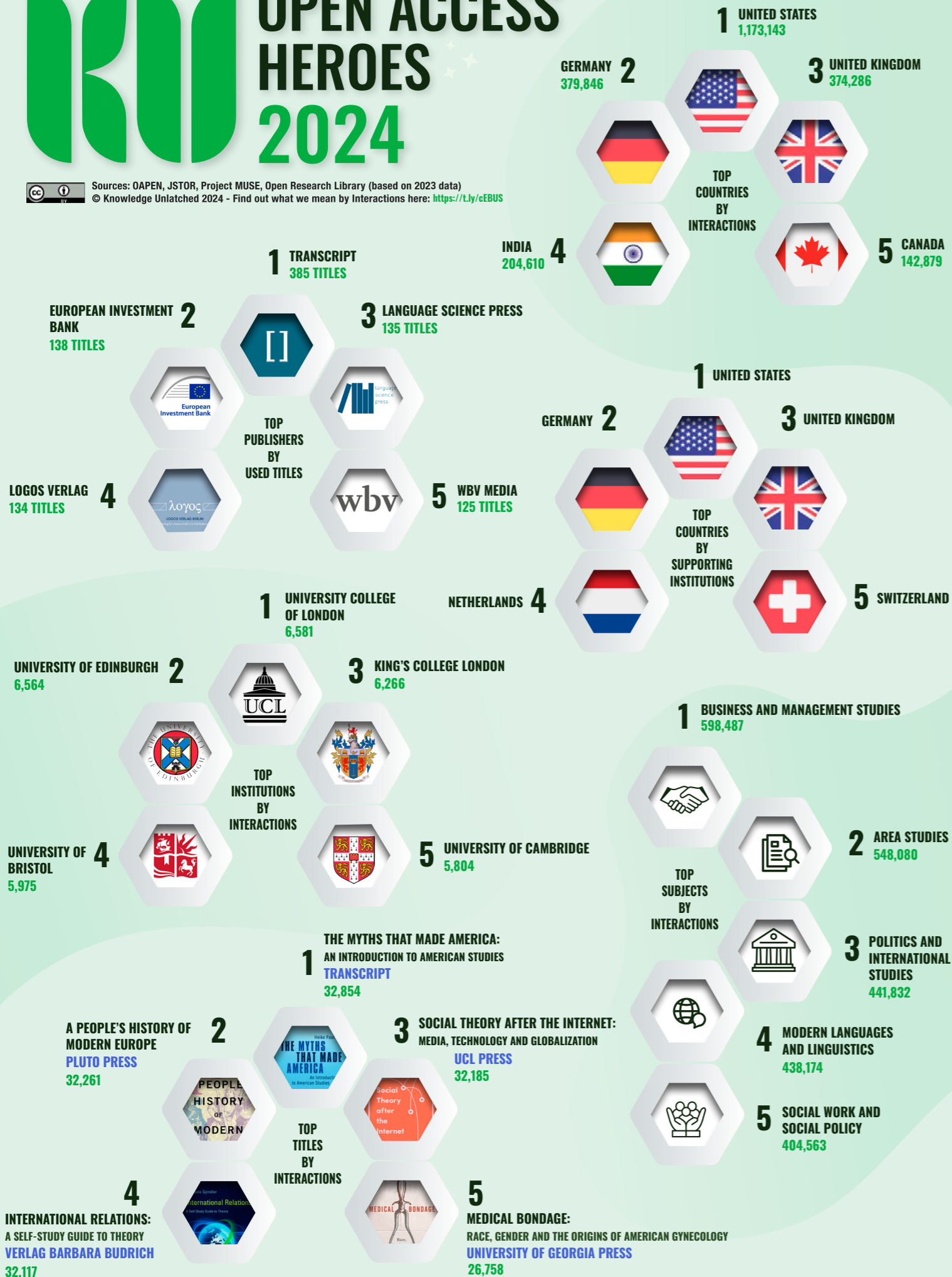


PLEDGING 2024



# OPEN ACCESS HEROES 2024

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# WELCOME

## Open Access made simple

Dear libraries and Knowledge Unlatched partners,

Welcome to the brochure for KU's 11th annual pledging. We are excited to share this year's innovations in OA books and Subscribe-to-Open journals with you.

In 2023, we celebrated a decade of Diamond OA made by KU, marking a significant milestone. Among the changes introduced last year was the alignment of our flagship collection, KU Select, with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This year, we continue our focus on timely and relevant topics by offering additional collections of frontlist titles in the humanities and social sciences that support the SDGs.

Building on your strong interest and very positive feedback on previous Focus Collections, this year we are introducing four new collections addressing pressing topics: Global Warming and Responses; Economics: Sustainability and Circularity; Public Opinion and Elections; and Regional Studies: Conflict, War, and Peace.

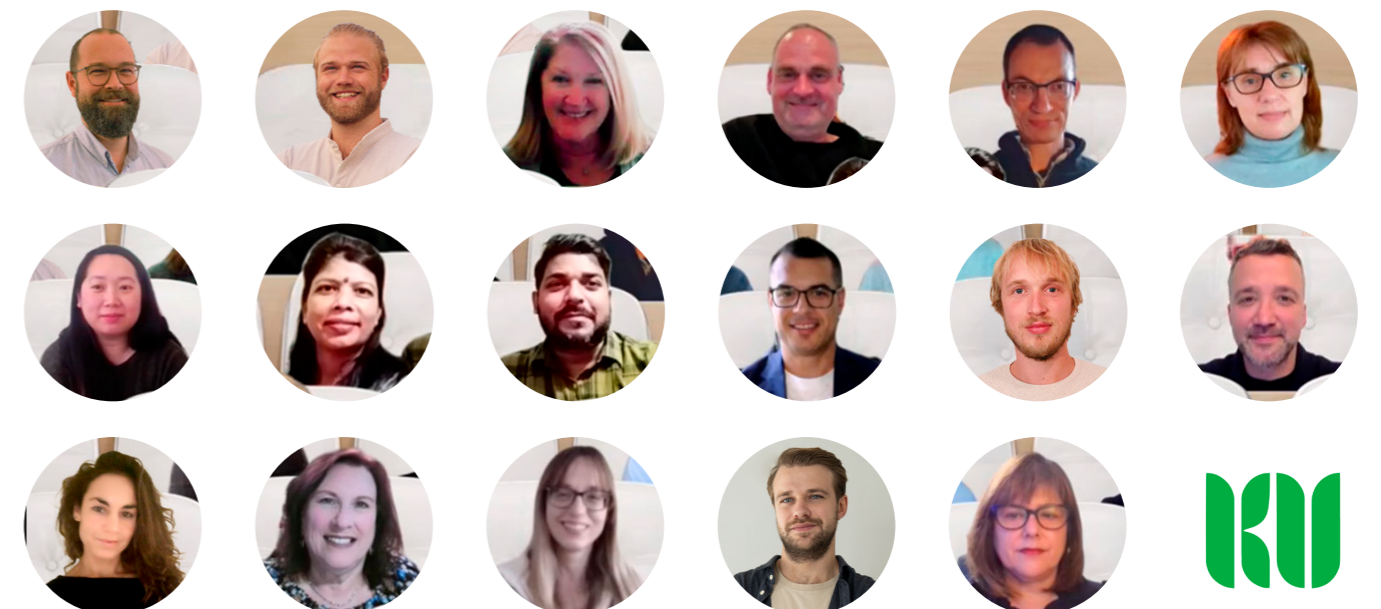
Since we have not increased prices for four years in a row, this year we are introducing a 4% price increase, which directly benefits our publishing partners. Those institutions committing to supporting any or all these collections for three years, rather than just one, will benefit from a 10% discount in the first year of funding.

In addition to KU Select and four new Focus Collections, this brochure includes information on a wide variety of other OA collections offered to libraries in collaboration with our publishing partners. We hope you find them equally relevant and worthy of your support.

Thank you to the many libraries worldwide for your continued support and to the publishers who assist in building and curating our collections each year. Without the support of our library and publishing partners, our efforts would not yield the results they do year after year.

Here's to making 2024 the best year for Open Access books and S20 journals!

Your KU Team



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### What information can I find in this Brochure?

Overview of the programs that are part of this subject collection

Defines the number of content items to be made Open Access provided the pledging target is reached

Pledging commitment required in years

Annual pledging price per collection. Multi-year commitments can also be paid in one sum upfront

Pledging institutions receive free access to all of the content, even if the pledging target is not reached

Additional services which KU applies to all content items which are part of the collection, at no extra cost to institutions

## Subject Category

	Name and Year(s) of Collection	Name and Year(s) of Collection
Content Definition	20 Books	10 Journals
Pledging Term in Years	①	③
Price per Year	3.950 \$ 3.525 € 3.100 £	1.120 \$ 1.000 € 880 £
Necessary Supporters	30	15
Guaranteed Access	✘	✔
MARC Records	✔	✔
Hosting	✔	✔
Usage Data	✔	✘



# KU Select highlights in this pledging round

1. As in the previous year, KU Select now comprises only HSS titles related to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This allows us to focus on timely topics that matter to researchers and institutions, since SDGs provide a commonly agreed upon blueprint for promoting peace and prosperity.
2. Each of the titles in the seven SDG collections is linked to a subject category to help librarians identify primary subjects for easier cataloging.
3. We are once again retaining up to 10% of our titles for independent and early career scholars, ensuring that fresh voices and diverse perspectives remain in the collection.
4. KU Select includes frontlist titles only, so that readers and scholars worldwide will have access to up-to-date research and scholarship.



# How to support KU Select

Libraries have the option to support KU Select as a complete collection or any of the seven individual collections.

Libraries can opt for a one-year or three-year commitment. Those that choose the three-year commitment will receive a 10% discount on the first year.

No Poverty, SDG 1

Good Health and Well-being, SDG 3

Gender Equality, SDG 5

Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG 8

Reduced Inequalities, SDG 10

Climate Action, SDG 13

Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, SDG 16

More about SDGs: [SDG Goals](#) [SDGs Publishers Compact](#)



## KU 2024 PLEDGING



### KU Select 2025-2027 SDG Full Collection

- Titles curated by the KU Selection Committee consisting of librarians from all over the world.
- Libraries can opt for a one-year or three-year commitment. Those that choose the three-year commitment will receive a 10% discount on the first year.
- Libraries can choose between the Full Collection of HSS Books or pledge by SDG package.
- 140 frontlist titles across 7 SDGs with 20 titles each.
- 10% of titles by authors who are particularly underfunded (contingent, independent, unaffiliated, and early career researchers).

### KU Select 2025-2027 Individual SDG Collections

- For pledgers who find the full collection of 140 books too large, or prefer to invest in individual SDGs, 7 packages of 20 books within KU Select are available.
- Libraries can opt for a one-year or three-year commitment. Those that choose the three-year commitment will receive a 10% discount on the first year.
- The 7 SDG collections include: No Poverty (SDG 1); Good Health and Well-being (SDG 3); Gender Equality (SDG 5); Decent Work and Economic Growth (SDG 8); Reduced Inequalities (SDG 10); Climate Action (SDG 13); and Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions (SDG 16).

[www.knowledgeunlatched.org/ku-select-2025-sdg-books](http://www.knowledgeunlatched.org/ku-select-2025-sdg-books)

## Sustainable Development Goals Books

	KU Select 2025-2027 SDG Full Collection	KU Select 2025-2027 Individual SDG Collections
Content Definition	140 Books	20 Books per SDG package
Pledging Term in Years	① ③	① ③
Price per Year	11.412 \$ 10.510 € 9.058 £	1.863 \$ 1.716 € 1.479 £
Necessary Supporters	140	140
Guaranteed Access	✘	✘
MARC Records	✔	✔
Hosting	✔	✔
Usage Data	✔	✔

# KU Focus Collections

## Global Warming and Responses 2025-2027

## Economics: Sustainability and Circularity 2025-2027

## Public Opinion and Elections 2025-2027

## Regional Studies: Conflict, War and Peace 2025-2027

- This exclusive package offers a diverse collection 20 books per annum selected by the KU Title Selection Committee on the topic of Global Warming and Responses. Whether analyzing the role of communication in climate discourse or advocating for sustainable development practices, this collection serves as an essential resource for individuals and organizations seeking to understand, mitigate, and adapt to the complexities of our warming planet.
- All books included are frontlist books, from 8 different publishers, including CABI, Edward Elgar Publishing, Emerald Publishing and others.
- All titles part of this collection are vetted by the KU Title Selection Committee for relevance and alignment with the central topic.
- This comprehensive package delves into the intricate realms of Economics, Sustainability, and Circularity. From exploring the transformative potential of Circular Economy for societal progress to intricacies of sustainable entrepreneurship in the Global South, this collection serves as an indispensable resource.
- All books included are frontlist books, from 8 different publishers, including Emerald Publishing, Manchester University Press, Anthem Press and others.
- All books are vetted by the KU Title Selection Committee for relevance and alignment with the central topic.
- This exclusive package offers a diverse collection 20 books per annum selected by the KU Title Selection Committee.
- The package is oriented around the topic of Public Opinion and Elections, and ranges from historical insights to cutting-edge research.
- All books included are frontlist books, from publishers such as Edinburgh University Press, Routledge, Verso Books, Agenda Publishing and others.
- All books are vetted by the KU Title Selection Committee for relevance and alignment with the central topic.
- This comprehensive package covers the topic of Regional Studies: Conflict, War and Peace. These books offer profound insights into the dynamics of conflict resolution, identity politics, and historical narratives and much more.
- All books included are frontlist books, from 13 different publishers, including Leiden University Press, Brill, Purdue University Press, and others.
- All titles part of this collection are vetted by the KU Title Selection Committee for relevance and alignment with the central topic.

## KU Focus Collections

	Global Warming and Responses 2025-2027	Economics: Sustainability and Circularity 2025-2027	Public Opinions and Elections 2025-2027	Regional Studies: Conflict, War and Peace 2025-2027
Content Definition	20 Books	20 Books	20 Books	20 Books
Pledging Term in Years	① ③	① ③	① ③	① ③
Price per Year	2.823 \$ 2.600 € 2.241 £	2.823 \$ 2.600 € 2.241 £	2.823 \$ 2.600 € 2.241 £	2.823 \$ 2.600 € 2.241 £
Necessary Supporters	75	75	75	75
Guaranteed Access	✗	✗	✗	✗
MARC Records	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓	✓	✓



# SDG Videos

## LATEST THINKING

### Latest Thinking on the Climate Action SDG 2025-2027

- Help support the funding of 20 new videos per year in the highly topical area of Climate Action. Your funding will help to ensure that more high-quality, up-to-date videos on the latest research are freely available to users all around the world.
- All original videos are based on peer-reviewed academic publications and brought to you by the authors in person via a video player which navigates users through the scholar's flow of ideas.

### Latest Thinking on the Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions SDG 2025-2027

- This collection offers the same number of 20 videos as the Climate Action collection, but does so in the area of Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, SDG 16. These two SDGs are believed to have strong links.
- All original videos are based on peer-reviewed academic publications and brought to you by the authors in person via a video player which navigates users through the scholar's flow of ideas.

## Sustainable Development Goals Videos

Latest Thinking on the Climate Action SDG 2025-2027

Latest Thinking on the Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions SDG 2025-2027

Content Definition	20 Videos	20 Videos
Pledging Term in Years	① ③	① ③
Price per Year	3.257 \$ 3.000 € 2.585 £	3.257 \$ 3.000 € 2.585 £
Necessary Supporters	30	30
Guaranteed Access	✘	✘
MARC Records	✔	✔
Hosting	✔	✔
Usage Data	✔	✔

# Anthropology



## Open Encyclopedia of Anthropology 2025-2027

- Among the most innovative publishing initiatives of the social sciences.
- One of the most reliable sources of social science information on the web, as each entry has been peer-reviewed by at least three world-leading experts.
- The OEA is inclusive, as its authors, staff and reviewers come from around the world.
- Grows organically as anyone who is qualified can suggest entries and write them, free of charge.



## Berghahn Migration and Development Studies 2025-2027

- Frontlist publications covering the topics of international migration and movement as well as the social implications of economic and environmental change on communities.
- Includes titles from the Forced Migration series as well as Integration and Conflict Studies and the Environmental Anthropology and Ethnobiology series, among others.
- Features Berghahn Books most action-oriented anthropology portfolio aimed at achieving the widest impact that its research insights make possible.

## Berghahn Open Anthropology 2025-2027

- Ground-breaking Subscribe-to-Open (S20) project developed in partnership with Libraria. The pilot was successful and shows that the S20 model can be sustainable.
- S20 seeks to take what is working well in the current system and applies it to achieving a sustainable and potentially universal model for open access journals.
- Libraries can upgrade to the full collection and contribute to the success of the BOA which, from 2022 onwards, includes the newest addition to the portfolio.



## HAU Books 2025-2027

- HAU Books is the book publishing wing of the Society for Ethnographic Theory (SET).
- The aim is to ensure that anthropologists' precious ethnographic findings can return to the communities studied by the scientists in a free and shareable form.
- No author-facing costs.

# Anthropology

	Open Encyclopedia of Anthropology 2025-2027	Berghahn Migration and Development Studies 2025-2027	Berghahn Open Anthropology 2025-2027	HAU Books 2025-2027
Content Definition	18 Entries p.a	20 Books p.a	15 Journals	10 Books p.a
Pledging Term in Years	③	③	③	③
Price per Year	1.357 \$ 1.250 € 1.077 £	3.420 \$ 3.137 € 2.850 £	3.840 \$ 3.135 € 2.530 £	2.172 \$ 2.000 € 1.724 £
Necessary Supporters	20	50	S20	35
Guaranteed Access	✗	✓	✓	✗
MARC Records	✓	✓	✗	✓
Hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓	✓	✓



# Social Sciences



## Routledge African and Development Studies 2025-2027

- Open access provides unprecedented opportunities for researchers in the Global South.
- This collection covers a broad range of social, political and economic issues, that impact scholars in the African continent and beyond.
- Guaranteed Access Model: supporting libraries will receive free access to the digital version of all books included in the collection should the full funding target not be reached.

## Routledge Gender and Sexuality Studies 2025-2027

- Global, cutting-edge research that spans key cross-disciplines including cultural studies, sociology, art, sports, literature, media and film studies.
- This diverse collection of titles also covers a range of hot topics including trans studies, LGBTQ rights, activism, gender inequality, feminism, and motherhood.
- Guaranteed Access Model: supporting libraries will receive free access to the digital version of all books included in the collection should the full funding target not be reached.

## Pluto Open Journals 2025-2027

- Ground-breaking Subscribe-to-Open (S2O) pilot project developed in partnership with Libraria.
- S2O seeks to take what is working well in the current system and applies it to achieving a sustainable and potentially universal model for open access journals.
- Libraries contribute to the ongoing success of the initiative by upgrading to the full collection of 21 journals, including among others, Decolonial Horizons, International Journal of Disability and Social Justice and Journal of Fair Trade.

[www.knowledgeunlatched.org/politics](http://www.knowledgeunlatched.org/politics)

[www.knowledgeunlatched.org/sociology](http://www.knowledgeunlatched.org/sociology)

## Social Sciences

	Routledge African and Development Studies 2025-2027	Routledge Gender and Sexuality Studies 2025-2027	Pluto Open Journals 2025-2027
Content Definition	20 Books p.a	20 Books p.a	21 Journals
Pledging Term in Years	③	③	③
Price per Year	3.257 \$ 3.000 € 2.585 £	3.257 \$ 3.000 € 2.585 £	6.821 \$ 6.212 € 5.497 £
Necessary Supporters	71	71	S2O
Guaranteed Access	✓	✓	✓
MARC Records	✓	✓	✗
Hosting	✓	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓	✓

# STEM



## IWA Publishing Frontlist Books 2025-2027

- The books in this collection explore a variety of topics related to water and wastewater.
- Includes research on water quality and filtration in evolving countries.
- Guaranteed Access to all of the books in the collection of pledging institutions even if the full target is not met.

## IWA Publishing Open Journals 2025-2027

- Ground-breaking flip of a complete journal portfolio using the Subscribe-to-Open (S2O) model.
  - Package contains 10 journals including the flagship journal “Water Science and Technology”.
- Institutions can upgrade their subscriptions to the full package of 10 journals and take advantage of a discount on the new subscriptions.

# STEM

	IWA Publishing Frontlist Books 2025-2027	IWA Publishing Open Journals 2025-2027
Content Definition	10 Books p.a	10 Journals
Pledging Term in Years	③	③
Price per Year	2.715 \$ 2.500 € 2.155 £	25.358 \$ 21.401 € 14.232 £
Necessary Supporters	40	S20
Guaranteed Access	✓	✓
MARC Records	✓	✗
Hosting	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓



# STEM



## CRC Press Energy Transition 2025-2027

- A multi-disciplinary collection addressing one of the most critical global issues.
- Drawing from across a range of key STEM subject areas within engineering and technology, chemistry, manufacturing and materials science, the collection of 10 titles showcase leading research and initiatives within these areas.
- The global climate emergency requires technological solutions, and this collection will cover some of the latest practical steps within the applied sciences to address this issue.

## CRC Press Applied Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science 2025-2027

- Brand-new STEM collection bringing together three distinct but closely related subject areas: mathematics, statistics and computer science.
- Cutting-edge, practical research on hot topics such as artificial intelligence, data science, and cybersecurity.
- The titles provide insight into some of the latest developments across these fundamental subject areas and address the potential future impact to all.

## EDP Sciences Open Mathematics 2025-2027

- Ground-breaking Subscribe-to-Open (S20) pilot project in Mathematics.
- S20 seeks to take what is working well in the current system and applies it to achieving a sustainable and potentially universal model for open access journals.
- Institutions can upgrade their subscriptions to the full package of six journals and take advantage of a discount on the new subscriptions.

STEM	CRC Press Energy Transition 2025-2027	CRC Press Applied Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science 2025-2027	EDP Sciences Open Mathematics 2025-2027
Content Definition	10 Books	10 Books	6 Journals
Pledging Term in Years	3	3	3
Price per Year	2.898 \$ 2.669 € 2.300 £	2.898 \$ 2.669 € 2.300 £	4.149 \$ 3.236 € 2.855 £
Necessary Supporters	50	50	S20
Guaranteed Access	✓	✓	✓
MARC Records	✓	✓	✗
Hosting	✓	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓	✓

# Noteworthy Collections



## Open Commons of Phenomenology 2025-2027

- Online research platform bringing Open Access to scholarly materials and resources in the field of phenomenology.
- Library funding since 2017 has helped to build a comprehensive corpus of phenomenological sources and further funding from 2020 will help to expand the content.
- Tech support offered to five of your researchers to design and manage blogs or conference websites and to strengthen the visibility of their work.



## University of California Press Luminos Membership

- Library Membership fees are used to directly cover publishing costs with any surplus added to an author waiver fund to support authors in getting their research published.
- All authors at Luminos Member Library institutions receive discounts on Title Publication Fees.
- Both the benefits and costs of Open Access are shared among stakeholder communities, creating a more sustainable ecosystem for publishing scholarly HSS books.



## Language Science Press 2025-2027

- LSP is the leading academic-led OA initiative in linguistics, and much of its success is due to the active community of linguists worldwide. Thanks to the cooperative pledging model of institutional support, LSP authors face no publishing costs.
- Nearly 1,100 academics worldwide have published with LSP since the initiative started in 2017.
- Over 115 institutions worldwide have funded the initiative in the first three rounds of pledging.

## Notheworthy Collections

	Open Commons of Phenomenology 2025-2027	University of California Press Luminos Membership	Language Science Press 2025-2027
Content Definition	Online Platform	20 Books p.a	33 Books
Pledging Term in Years	③	①	③
Price per Year	1.086 \$ 1.000 € 862 £	Available on request	1.412 \$ 1.300 € 1.120 £
Necessary Supporters	15	30	30+
Guaranteed Access	✓	✗	✗
MARC Records	✓	✓	✓
Hosting	✓	✓	✓
Usage Data	✗	✓	✓



# German-Language Collections



## wbw Media

Berufs - und  
Wirtschaftspädagogik  
2025

- Weiterentwicklung eines 2019 eingeführten Transformationsmodells.
- 10 Titel aus dem Themenfeld Berufsbildung/Berufs - und Wirtschaftspädagogik. Die Monografie und Sammelbände erscheinen in etablierten herausgebergeführten Reihen und sind qualitätsgesichert durch ein Review-Verfahren.
- Der endgültige Rechnungsbetrag reduziert sich anteilig, je mehr Einrichtungen sich an der Finanzierung beteiligen.

## wbw Media/Schneider Verlag

Hohengehren Lehramt  
2025

- Weiterentwicklung eines 2019 eingeführten Transformationsmodells.
  - 10 Titel zu Didaktik Lehrkräftebildung, Schulpädagogik und -forschung u.a. aus dem neuen Programm der Kooperation von wbw Media und Schneider Verlag Hohengehren (renommierte Publikationsreihen).
- Der endgültige Rechnungsbetrag reduziert sich anteilig, je mehr Einrichtungen sich an der Finanzierung beteiligen.

# German-Language Collections

	wbw Media Berufs - und Wirtschaftspädagogik 2025	wbw Media/Schneider Verlag Hohengehren Lehramt 2025
Content Definition	10 Books	10 Books
Pledging Term in Years	①	①
Price per Year	1.846 \$ 1.700 € 1.465 £	1.846 \$ 1.700 € 1.465 £
Necessary Supporters	30	30
Guaranteed Access	✓	✓
MARC Records	✓	✓
Hosting	✓	✓
Usage Data	✓	✓

# Open Infrastructures



## Open Research Library Basic Membership 2025-2027

- Your central hosting platform for academic OA content, offering user-friendly access to tens of thousands of books and other types of scholarly content from a variety of sources.
- Gives institutions one single target to index OA content, for seamless and free access.
- Libraries investing in the ORL contribute to the development and maintenance of a dedicated infrastructure for fast, unobstructed access to valuable scholarly content.

## Open Research Library Premium Membership 2025-2027

- Libraries that opt to support the ORL as premium members get additional customized features on the platform.
- Admin features allow Premium Members to customise ORL views to meet the needs of their target communities.
- Libraries investing in the ORL contribute to the development and maintenance of a dedicated infrastructure for fast, unobstructed access to valuable scholarly content.

## OAPEN Library Membership 2025-2027

- The OAPEN Library is dedicated to the dissemination of OA books and their visibility and discoverability.
- Creating a quality-controlled collection of Open Access books together with libraries, research funders and publishers.
- Providing libraries and their patrons with barrier-free and seamless access to OA books.
- Services include usage reporting, metadata and discovery.

## Open Infrastructures

	Open Research Library - Basic Membership	Open Research Library - Premium Membership	OAPEN - Library Membership
Content Definition	Thousands of OA books, posters & videos	Thousands of OA books, posters & videos	Thousands of OA books
Pledging Term in Years	③	③	③
Price per Year	1.086 \$ 1.000 € 862 £	2.172 \$ 2.000 € 1.724 £	4.343 \$ 4.000 € 3.447 £
Customized Features	✘	✔	✔
MARC Records	✔	✔	✔
Hosting	✔	✔	✔
Usage Data	✔	✔	✔

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