

# 10 ways libraries can support the implementation of Plan S

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1. Continue to **innovate the scholarly communication system** and provide guidance to COAlition S on **where to invest** — be this in services or infrastructure
2. Work with the Plan S implementation group to explore **collective funding approaches to subsidise Open Access to research**
3. Provide information on **strong scholarly communication publishing alternatives and platforms for a range of outputs**, such as being OA publishers for their institution or introducing new compliant publishing models
4. Supply a **stable, quality-controlled standardised infrastructure** to deposit, curate, verify and disseminate a range of OA research outputs through their repositories
5. Supply **information on local policies and implementation mechanisms** that will support the local (Member State) implementation of Plan S
6. Provide information on **publishing needs within a range of disciplines**, and on the related **challenges of going OA**
7. Provide intelligence on consortium-level **publisher relations, negotiations**
8. Provide data on **OA publishing outputs**, and monitor and report on progress on OS practices
9. Provide training on open science principles and on **copyright, licensing and author rights** in particular to support the implementation of Principle 1 of Plan S
10. Help provide **training on Plan S requirements** to the research community

Please note that the above offers a range of means for how libraries and their networks could support Plan S.

It should be understood that much of what is covered herein depends on external additional resources.