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Background

Open access (OA) will be increasingly important to researchers at Dutch universities. OA is the term for a new business model of academic publishing, by which information is available to readers at no extra charge. This differs from the subscription model by which readers pay for access, often by means of a library. NWO and the European programme Horizon2020 have made OA a condition for funding. In addition, the Dutch government has stipulated that all articles of Dutch researchers must be published OA, i.e. need to be freely accessible, from 2020 onwards. The Dutch universities are therefore currently negotiating with publishers, which is leading to an increasing number of journals that make OA available. Some publishers charge no costs for OA, others apply article processing charges for authors.

How does Open Access work?

Important advantages for authors are:

- Increase in visibility and use (citations) of academic output.
- Fulfilment of the criteria of NWO and Horizon2020.

There are two ways in which authors can make their publications OA:

- 1) By making the publication publicly available through the OA option in Pure (with approval of the publisher).
- 2) By publishing in an OA journal, with or without applicable article processing charges.

A list of journals that make OA available free of charge to all Dutch researchers can be checked on www.openaccess.nl. A list of journals that make OA available free of charge specifically to researchers at UvA is available on http://uba.uva.nl (click on Find e-journals). Both lists are continuously subject to change. The following website shows for which journals you can publish Open Access if the corresponding author is an University of Amsterdam faculty member: https://library.wur.nl/WebQuery/jbrowser?q=*.

ASE-RI budget

As of September 1, 2017, ASE-ri reserves a budget for compensation of 50% of (part of) *article processing charges* to help stimulate OA. Below criteria apply.

- The author who submits a request for funding is working at the ASE.
- It concerns a publication in a top 10%-journal, in the fields of economics or business (Web of Science subject category 'economics' or 'business-finance'), or a journal in the field of Actuarial Science that is on the ASE-ri journal list. A 10% journal has an AIS (Article Influence Score) percentile score of >90 on www.eigenfactor.org. In addition, the journal is listed in Directory of Open access Journals (DOAJ).
- Co-auteurs are each responsible for an equal part of the *article processing charges*. ASE-ri compensates 50% of the part of the author working at ASE.
- The author will not receive any compensation for publication from NWO or other parties.
- The full text of the publication will be registered in Pure directly after publication. Pure supports OA.

The decision to publish OA is made by the contributor of the remaining 50% of the *article processing* charges of the part of the author working at ASE.