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Open Access to Scientific Publications

1. Historical background

'Berlin Declaration on free access to knowledge in exact sciences, life sciences, social sciences and humanities' *'Internet has fundamentally transformed the concrete and economic framework of the diffusion of scientific knowledge and cultural heritage [...] In the interest of our institutions, the new paradigm of Open Access must be encouraged for the benefit of science and society. [...] Our institutions must find appropriate solutions in order to let the financial and legal frameworks evolve in such a way that access and optimal use of the new facilities be guaranteed'.*

2. Principles

a priori

3. Definitions

4. Present situation

e.g.

5. Proposals

cleo.cnrs.fr, www.openedition.org

scielo.org

www.edition-open-access.de

echo.mpiwg-

berlin.mpg.de).

e.g
Computational Harmonic Analysis

Applied and

6. The French 'Comptes-Rendus de l'Académie des Sciences de Paris' could be used as a prototype of 'Diamond OA' publication

7. Persons with expertise in electronic publishing

References

«Relations between Researchers and Publishing Houses»

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