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## Open Science in TU Dublin: an Institutional Perspective

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A modern university courtyard with a large tree and people walking. The scene is set in a courtyard between two multi-story buildings with large windows and balconies. A large, leafy tree with reddish-brown leaves stands in the center. People are seen walking on the paved paths and sitting on the grass. The sky is blue with some clouds.

# Open Science in TU Dublin: *An Institutional Perspective*

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# Outline

TU Dublin and Open Science  
(OS)

The EU and OS

Implementation: OA to OS

cOAlition-S and Plan-S

The Future





# TU Dublin and Open Science



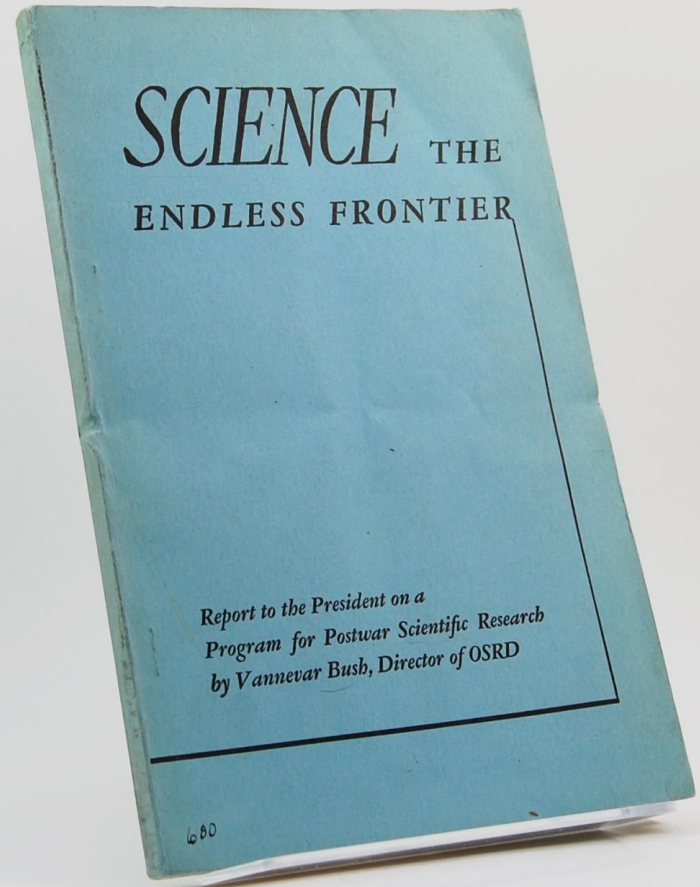
- 10 years Green OA
- 80% of outputs are OA
- 14k deposits & 8.25m downloads
- 2017 set up ARROW Data
- 2018 Established TUDORAG
- 2019 Adopted new National Guidelines
- 2019 - 2022 Open Science Pilot
- One of the most successful repositories in Europe

# Open Science

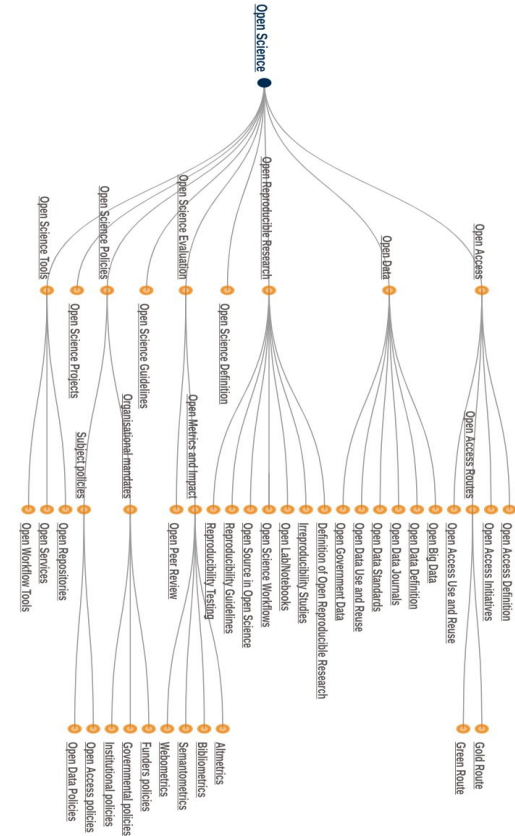
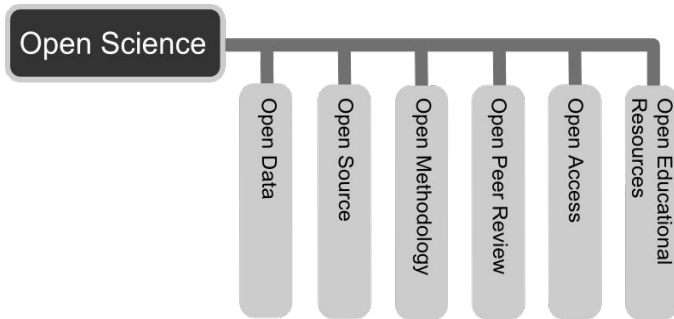
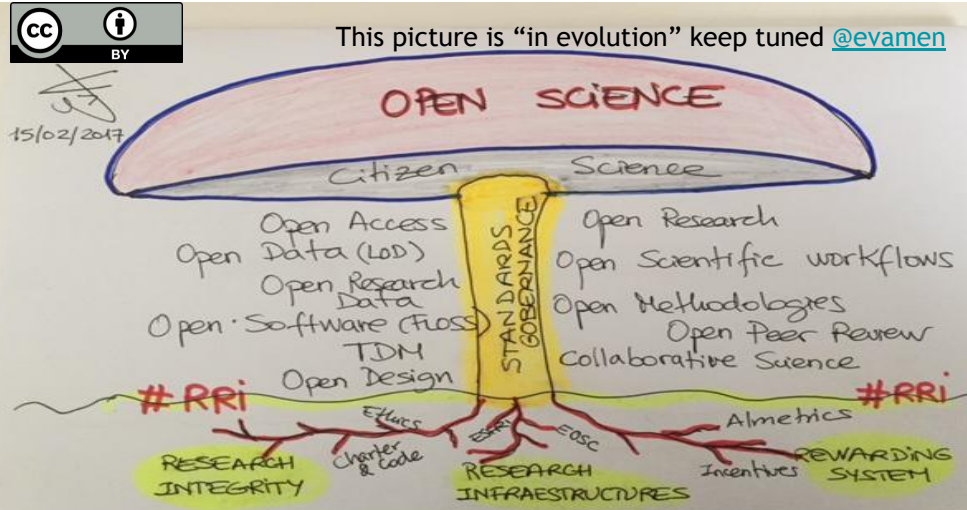
*The Government should take an active role in promoting the international flow of scientific information' (Bush, V 1945)*

This recommendation set the trajectory for Open Science, culminating, for us in Ireland, in *'The National Guidelines for the Transition to Open Research'* .

...but Open Science is many things



# Numerous models of 'Open Science'



# FOSTER Definition of Open Science

*Open Science is the practice of science in such a way that others can collaborate and contribute, where research data, lab notes and other research processes are freely available, under terms that enable reuse, redistribution and reproduction of the research and its underlying data and methods.*

- Facilitate Open Science Training for European Research (FOSTER) (<https://www.fosteropenscience.eu/taxonomy/term/100>)
- Although not exactly the same 'Open Science, Open Research and Open Scholarship are often used interchangeably.
- The elephant in the room here and one that we have come across already, are people



# ...but few ideas for implementation

What does Open Science mean on the ground?

Open Science and Career Paths?

Open Science and '1st over the Cliff'

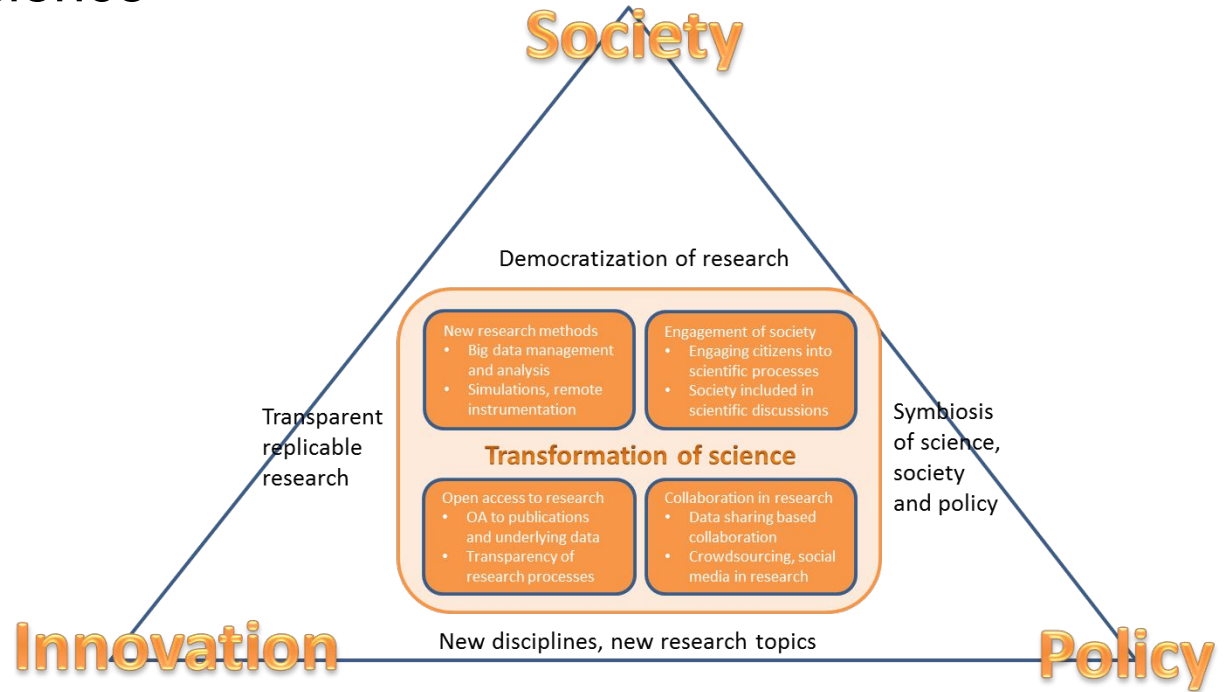
TU Dublin's OS implementation starts with the EU definition of OS



# The EU and Open Science

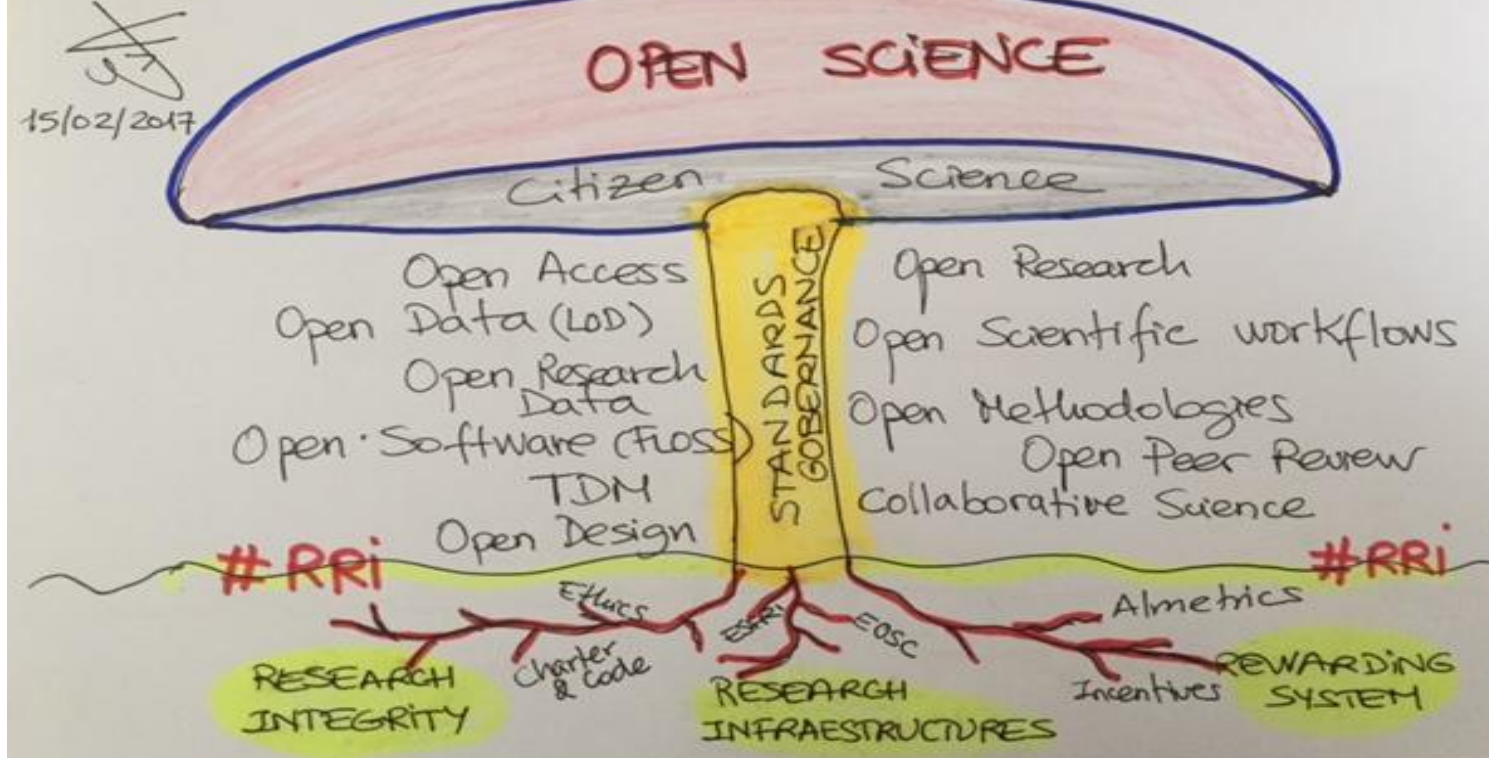
“Open Science aims at transforming science through digital tools and networks, to make research more open, global, collaborative, creative and closer to society.”

How does this translate into action?

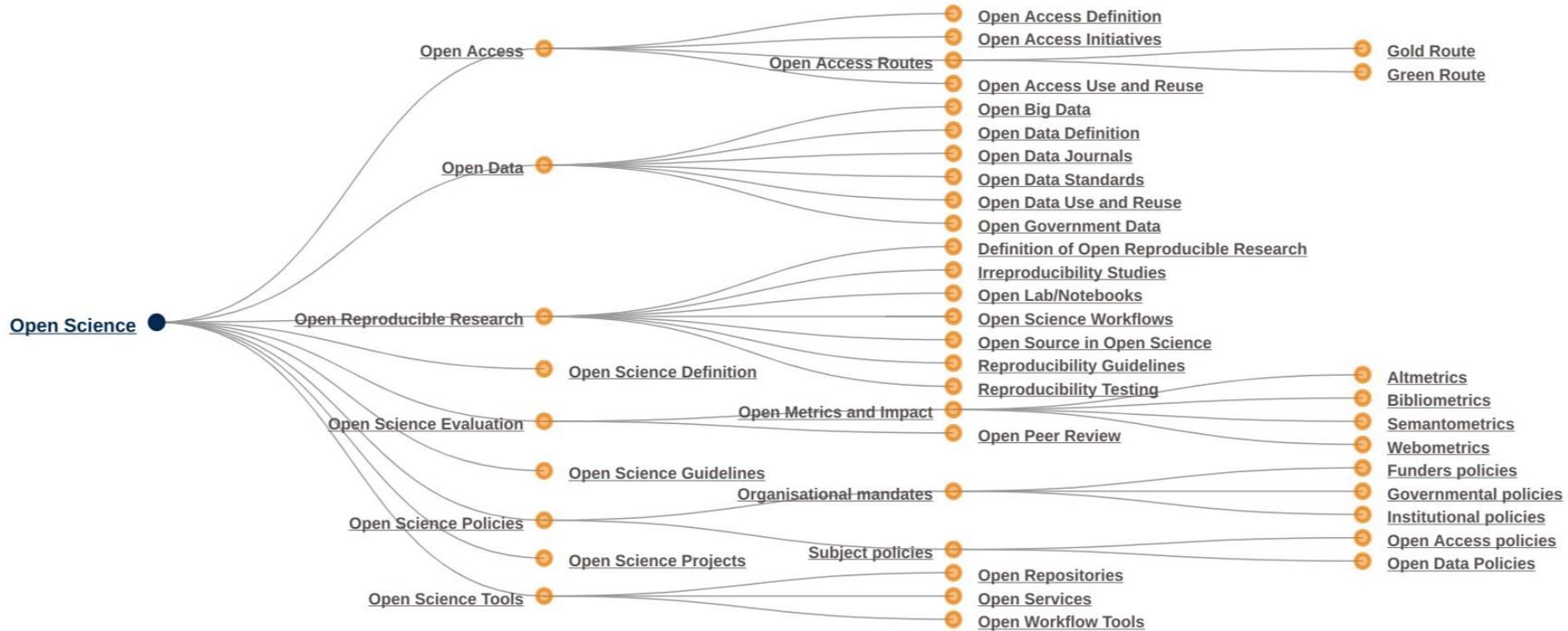




This picture is "in evolution" keep tuned [@evamen](#)



Eva Mendez, Carlos III University Madrid



The Current Open Science Map (fosteropenscience.eu)

# JC Burgelman 2017 “Open Access and the Future of Scholarly Communication”

## [Principles]

- Introducing requirements for beneficiaries to maintain enough rights to fulfil their open access obligations in FP9
- Crafting mandatory technical standards for the persistent identification of digital objects and publication repositories
- Launching a robust, formalised and automated monitoring system with sanctions to ensure compliance with FP9 mandate
- Promoting the early sharing of publications and other outputs in OA mode. The Commission will fully reimburse APCs for publication in DOAJ, whereas no reimbursement is foreseen vis-à-vis hybrid journals (the "transition period" invoked (sic) by a number of journals is expected to come to an end in the next few years)
- Supporting activities that promote a sustainable and innovative scholarly communications ecosystem

# TU Dublin Key External OS Drivers

## Public Policy

- Accelerate and diversify research activity

## Public Research Funders

- Dissemination of 'their' outputs
- Tax payer VfM

## Replicability and Reproducibility

- Nature survey 2016 70% of respondents say they cannot always reproduce the results of others or even their own

## Integrity

- Not all irreproducibility is malpractice, the best estimate is that it is about 2% but...
  - See recent BMJ article and editorial

# TU Dublin's Internal OS Drivers

- New TU Dublin strategy will explicitly define 'Open Science' as an objective.
- Marketing our research activity by sharing on a global platform.
- Building on successful internal OA partnership (SLT, Researchers, Library, Research Services)
- Openness to the wider Open Data regime.
  - *'How does this affect my career?'*
  - Loss of '1<sup>st</sup> mover advantage'
- 3 distinct populations of researchers
  - Younger (PhDs, early postdocs and new academics) Very Positive
  - Older (established academic PIs and researchers) Positive
  - The middle group (Academics and Researchers in transition) Less positive and remained to be convinced.

# Bringing it all together: TU Open Science Charter

- To disseminate our outputs and raise our profile
  - Open Access (including a universal right to read (and mine))
- To support confidence and accelerate the pace of research
  - Open Data (issue around which data)
  - Open Methodology (including methods and analysis)
- To be fair and inclusive
  - Open Recruitment and Progression (Researchers' Charter)
  - Open Evaluation, Assessment and Recognition (DORAesque or Leidenesque)
- To be engaged
  - Citizen Science
- To be seen to be 'honest'
  - Open Ethics reviews
  - Open Integrity reviews

So, how will this work on the ground?



**WE HAVE NO IDEA**

...but there is a plan

# TU Dublin Open Science Pilot

## Objective:

- Provide a University Framework for the transition to Open Science based on the 'National Guidelines for the transition to Open Science'.

## Goals:

- In a limited testbed, to confirm the viability of Open Science in TU Dublin
- To Identify hurdles & challenges that need to be addressed in the transition to Open Science.
- To develop interventions that address the hurdles and challenges.
- To produce an informed policy on Open Science for the TU Dublin.

## Methodology

- Practise based research project with three groups of researchers who have committed to explore this with the Library and Research Services
  - Arts and Humanities, Engineering/ICT and Biosciences
- Duration is up to three years and funded.

# Where will we be in 2023

- We will be seen as early adopters
- Feed into an **informed** open research policy for the TU Dublin
- We will have a **model** of open research that suits us
  - We will know the pain barriers, what works/does not
- Will be training future **Open Science Leaders**
- Will be able to make an informed choice about evaluation systems
- We will have a core set of metrics that work for us

# The Immediate Future of OS? (October 2020)

*Open science will make science more efficient, reliable and responsive to societal challenges. The European Commission has sought to advance Open Science policy from its inception in a holistic and integrated way, covering all aspects of the research cycle from scientific discovery and review to sharing knowledge, publishing and outreach.*

*We present the steps taken with a forward-looking perspective of the challenges laying (sic) ahead, in particular, the necessary change of the rewards and incentives system for researchers (for which various actors are co-responsible and which goes beyond the mandate the European Commission).*

*Finally, we discuss the promising role of Artificial Intelligence within an Open Science perspective.*

(Open science, open data and open scholarship: European policies to make science fit for the 21st century Jean-Claude Burgelman, Corina Pascu, Katarzyna Szkuta, Rene Von Schomberg, Athanasios Karalopoulos, Konstantinos Repanas and Michel Schoupe Research & Innovation, European Commission, DOI 10.3389/fdata.2019.00043)

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*“There will be casualties”* Professor Michael Murphy, President EUA

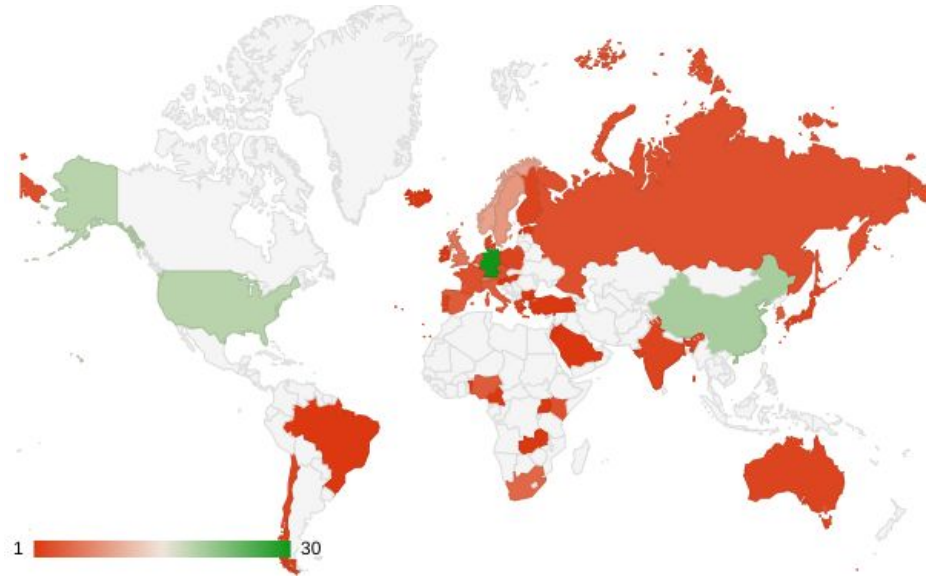
Researchers do the work, researchers do the reviews, researchers are the editors for no pay, researchers pay for a subscription to read **their own work** and 30% of that subscription transfers, directly, to the publishers shareholders - what a fantastic business model

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A hiker with a large red backpack is walking across a suspension bridge that spans a deep valley filled with dense green forest. The bridge is made of metal cables and a mesh floor. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a hazy sky. The overall scene is a lush, natural landscape.

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