

Open Access Policy

for Publications & Data for Technological University Dublin

Making research outputs freely available to all helps to disseminate the results of research quickly and contributes to the breadth and depth of scholarship. Moreover, as a new kind of university in Ireland, making our research freely available promotes the university and the researchers working within it.

This policy is based on the **draft national principles**, which have been produced to map the transition from publication in journals to publication on open access platforms. These principles build upon existing national and international open research policies, and, through a planning process from 2018 to 2020, will move to alignment with developing European Commission policy and the principles of **Plan S**. Some funders and research performing institutions may have specific requirements relating to open research, which should be observed in addition to the principles described herein.

Throughout the transition, researchers will be supported in maximising the impact of their work while ensuring that they are assisted, recognised and rewarded in their practice of open research. TU Dublin endorses these principles as being good for research and the research community. This policy covers all TU Dublin researchers who are publically funded i.e. in receipt of a salary from public funds or funded by specific agencies.





Publications

1. All researchers must lodge the final draft version of their article in the institutional repository **Arrow** upon acceptance by a journal. Alternatively, they must lodge the published version if it is available as open access.
2. Researchers must lodge in the institutional repository **Arrow** book chapters, reports, conference proceedings and other formats they consider appropriate for the promotion and exposure of their work.
3. Researchers may publish where they feel is most appropriate. However, researchers should be aware of the current move to open access globally and are encouraged to use the new models for open access publishing including high quality open access publishers who do not charge open access publication fees. TU Dublin will not support the payment of open access fees to hybrid journals¹.
4. Researchers are encouraged to retain the copyright of their publications.

¹ Hybrid journals are subscription journals that have an additional charge for open access rights on an article. Typically these charges are approx. €2,500 but can be higher.

Data

5. TU Dublin supports the data management principles in FAIR i.e. data must be **Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable**.
6. Research data should be as open as possible and as closed as necessary. Research data may be restricted for justifiable reasons such as commercial exploitation, confidentiality, security, protection of personal data, the achievement of the project's aim, and incompatibility with the further exploitation of the research results or other stated legitimate reasons.
7. Prior planning is essential to ensure research data is managed effectively through all stages of the research cycle. Researchers must incorporate Data Management Plans as part of their standard practice to ensure the integrity and security of their data.
8. At the very least, metadata describing the dataset must be lodged in the **Arrow Data Portal**.
9. Where possible datasets must be lodged in the **Arrow Data Portal** accompanied by readme files and any other additional information required to enable the proper evaluation and re-use of data.