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Lib4RI user survey 2024 - we need your feedback!

We're excited to announce that Lib4RI is conducting a user survey - and we need your input! As part of our ongoing effort to improve and tailor our services to your needs, we're reaching out to gather feedback to support you in your research as best we can.

Your insights and suggestions are pivotal in shaping the future of our library. By sharing your experiences and ideas, you help us review our performance, improve our services and overall user experience, and extend our portfolio. We will analyse and publish the results in the summer - and take action from your feedback!

- **Duration:** The survey will take approximately **5-10 minutes** to complete.
- **Deadline:** Please submit your responses by **30 June 2024**.
- **Topics covered:** general satisfaction, resources, current & future services, trainings, interaction with the library

Take the survey now!

We appreciate your time and look forward to your valuable feedback. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to [contact us](#) any time.

Data privacy note: The survey is hosted by [SoSciSurvey](#). It runs entirely on EU servers. This guarantees data privacy on GDPR level. All of your responses will be kept anonymous by default. Your answers are not tied to your IP address and you are not asked for your email address.

Library News

Reopening of the renovated WSL library

After four months of major renovations, Lib4RI WSL Birmensdorf was reopened yesterday. Among other things, the new space offers attractive working spaces, booths for calls, a coffee machine and lockers. Read more [here](#).

ETH Research Data Management Summer School 2024 for early career scientists

The ETH Research Data Management Summer School 2024 still has some open spots. Take this great opportunity to learn more about this crucial topic! Read more [here](#).

New Read & Publish agreement with the American Physical Society

Lib4RI has expanded its Open Access (OA) publishing portfolio by entering into a new transformative Read & Publish agreement with the American Physical Society (APS). Starting in April, corresponding authors affiliated with the 4RIs will no longer have to pay a fee for publishing OA in the APS hybrid journals. Read more [here](#).

Updated LLMs & AI tools page

Our information page about LLMs, AI tools and scientific writing has been updated and expanded into a collection of FAQs. The page tries to give an overview of the most prevalent questions in the form of a living document. See the page [here](#).

Lib4RI spring training 2024: Searching & Managing Scientific Information

Spring is at our doorsteps and so is our biannual training series «Searching & Managing Scientific Information» for PhD students and other interested members of the four Research Institutes Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL. Find all courses [here](#).

New Agreement with Taylor & Francis for 2024-2027

A new national license agreement has been reached with Taylor & Francis, ensuring continued access to their journal portfolio and enabling Open Access (OA) publishing for researchers affiliated with the 4RIs. Read more [here](#).

Lib4RI is helping your indexing in Web of Science!

As a service to our researchers, we reviewed publications in the institutional repository DORA which are published in journals that have an impact factor, but are not indexed in Web of Science. A total of 166 published articles were missing and are now reported for addition in Web of Science. Read more [here](#).

Electronic Resources: changes in 2024

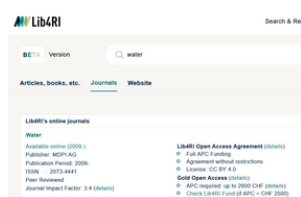
We are delighted to announce the new library subscriptions and Read & Publish agreements for the year 2024. As in previous years, our decision-making process was guided by an extensive data analysis to ensure we provide access to the most essential resources. However, due to budget constraints, we had to raise the bar higher than

before, resulting in more cancellations than usual. Read more [here](#).

New OA agreements with RSC and CUP

Lib4RI joins national Read & Publish agreements with the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) and Cambridge University Press (CUP). Read more [here](#).

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Beyond the Library

Funding / Use of AI in SNSF applications

Application texts written by AI tools are spreading in the field of science as well. Given the limitations of such texts, SNSF reminds researchers of their personal responsibility. [Read more](#).

Publishing / Regulatory Framework

DIAMAS is a HORIZON Europe project that aims at understanding and supporting institutional publishing, paying particular attention to initiatives that do not charge fees to read or publish scholarly outputs, i.e., Diamond OA publications. They now published their synopsis. [Read more](#).

Open Science / Open Repositories

In January 2023, LIBER, [SPARC Europe](#), [COAR](#), and [OpenAIRE](#) launched a

Open Science / Barcelona Declaration

By signing the Barcelona Declaration, more than 40 international institutions and organisations committed to make research information open by default. This measure shall increase transparency on research process and output. [Read more](#).

General / ORCID and GitHub sign Memorandum of Understanding

The two organisations announced to coordinate efforts encouraging the adoption of ORCID IDs through the research data lifecycle. [Read more](#).

Open Science / UNESCO outlook

Last December, UNESCO published the first global report on the trends of Open Science. Their main finding: it is increasing

[joint strategy](#) aimed at strengthening the European repository network. Results from their survey on the European repository landscape were now published. [Read more.](#)

but does so unevenly and its monitoring is mainly focused on outputs, missing potential progress in participation and dialogue. [Read more.](#)



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