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TU Wien Open Access Policy



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True to our mission statement "Technology for people", TU Wien is committed to free and sustainable access to scientific information on the internet (open access). The university follows the "[Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities](#)".

The implementation of these guidelines takes into account the different publication cultures:

- TU Wien expects all its members*) to make their publications and research results available as open access contributions by publishing them immediately in suitable open access publication media or promptly depositing them in repositories within the limits of what is legally possible.
- Members*) will seek to ensure that all academic work created during a student's studies or an employee's work at the university will be made available in a suitable repository in its entirety. The authors are responsible for handing over the digital full texts for secondary publication.
- TU Wien encourages its members*) to secure their lasting rights of use, in particular the right to self-archive in repositories, when concluding contracts with publishers; the embargo period should not exceed 12 months.
- In accordance with the budgetary resources at its disposal and publisher agreements, TU Wien assumes any costs arising from open access journal articles, provided that these are not covered by a research grant. Please refer to the TU Wien library website for the precise guidelines.
- The flipping of journals, which are published at TU Wien and meet standard quality criteria, to open access is supported as well as the publication of open access monographs, publication series and proceedings with authorship and/or editorship from TU Wien.
- Open Access publishing and the editorial and review activities in open access publication media are identified in TU Wien's intellectual capital report and are taken into account in particular when evaluating research performance, above all for habilitation and appointment procedures. In order to improve the visibility of TU Wien's academic output, the use of ORCID, a unique researcher identification number, is recommended.
- TU Wien Bibliothek is the university-wide contact for all questions relating to open access. The library provides advice and support on related organisational and legal matters, manages the TU Wien institutional repository and an open access publication fund, and develops additional services. Its employees are involved in the further development of open access at a national and international level.

These guidelines do not affect the free choice of publication options and freedom of research.

In order for the effectiveness of the policy to be reviewed, TU Wien has set itself the objective that at least 50% of the publications affected by this policy from 2020 will be available as open access publications by the deadline of 01 March 2022. The policy is reviewed by the TU Wien Rector's Office every three years and updated as necessary.

TU Wien ensures this policy is compatible with applicable data protection rules.

*) TU Wien members are defined in accordance with the Austrian Universities Act (UG) section 94 (see [RIS - Universitätsgesetz 2002 § 94 - Bundesrecht konsolidiert](#) - in German).