

Diamond Open Access publishing EIFL negotiated agreements with publishers for waived and discounted Article Processing Charges (APCs)

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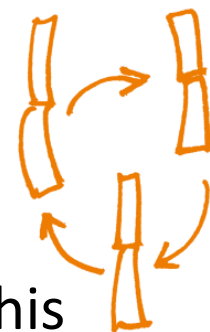
Diamond Open Access (OA) journals



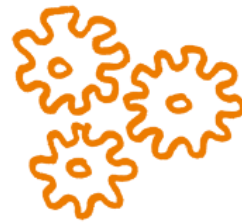
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Bahir Dar Journal of Education, Ethiopia

“Diamond OA publishing model has been instrumental in **facilitating broader dissemination of research findings and enhancing their impact within the education community**. This model has **positioned the journal at the forefront of research, actively fostering scholarly exchange and contributing to the global knowledge base**. This commitment to Diamond OA, a core value of the journal, **ensures accessibility to a broad audience**, including those in resource-constrained settings. This approach aligns with the **increasing importance of localized agency, multilingualism, and diverse knowledge production**, providing a vital alternative to the commercially driven academic publishing landscape.” (Worku, M. Y. (2025). A journey through diamond open access publishing: Honoring the silver jubilee of Bahir Dar Journal of Education. Bahir Dar Journal of Education, 25(1), 1–4. <https://doi.org/10.4314/10.4314/bdje.v25i>)

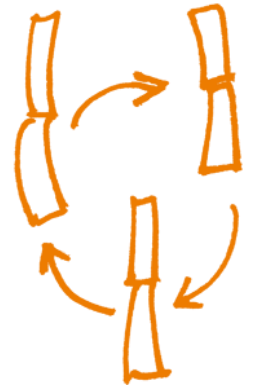


South African Journal of Science (SAJS)



“With a multidisciplinary scope and non-specialist style, SAJS articles are **accessible to scholars from different disciplines and provide an understandable and trustworthy source of South African research to the media and wider public.** What’s more: SAJS is a Diamond OA journal – free to access and free to publish. **SAJS is read in almost every country in the world. SAJS is indexed by Web of Science, Scopus, SciELO SA, EBSCO, Google Scholar, DOAJ and AJOL and is automatically accredited by the Department of Higher Education.** SAJS subscribes to Crossref tools to optimize interoperability, visibility, accessibility, indexability and searchability. SAJS was awarded three stars by AJOL in the Journal Publishing Practices and Standards (JPPS) assessment, for being consistently excellent in all the technical and editorial publishing best practices set out in the JPPS assessment criteria. SAJS scores highly on the '[How Equitable Is It](#)' framework for evaluating scholarly communication models on the basis of equity.” <https://sajs.co.za/why-publish-with-us>

Diamond OA journals for visibility, impact, inclusiveness, trust and innovation



A Diamond OA journal

- is a strategic asset/resource for an institution/country offering an opportunity for researchers to publish for free;
- provides a publication venue where locally relevant topics are valued, not marginalized, and treated without bias;
- plays a pivotal role in enhancing the dissemination of research and knowledge;

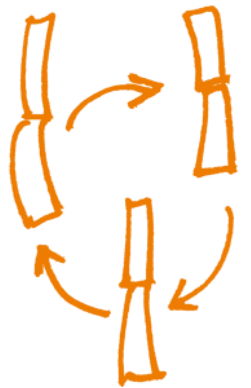
Diamond OA journals for visibility, impact, inclusiveness, trust and innovation (2)

- is a beacon of OA publishing, providing a platform for high quality research that is freely available to all;
- does not charge fees, so is unlikely to be predatory;
- fulfils the mission of the scholarly journal to provide a credible, authoritative and trustworthy platform for researchers and professionals in Africa and beyond to engage, share and learn through the publishing of high quality scholarly materials;

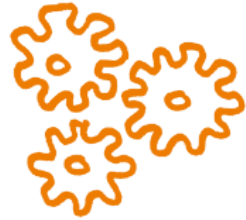


Diamond OA journals for visibility, impact, inclusiveness, trust and innovation (3)

- brings greater reach and impact of research;
- is a reputable and socially responsible platform to share research-based evidence and knowledge that informs policy decisions and improves practice in the country and beyond;
- brings pride as the flagship journal nationally accredited and prestigious in the country and in the region;
- preserves cultural heritage and is important for institutional and national identity;



Diamond OA journals for visibility, impact, inclusiveness, trust and innovation (4)



- helps to fulfil the institution's role as a research-intensive university and remains steadfast in its commitment to fostering collaborative research initiatives that address pressing societal challenges;
- focuses on promoting democratization and human rights through knowledge production and the widest possible dissemination of Africa-focused publications;
- keeps scholarly publishing autonomy in the hands of the scholarly community: scholarly publishing that is largely scholar-led and academic value-based instead of profit-led and economic value-based.

(Davidson, A., & Proudman, V. (2025). Talking points: Making the case to fund Diamond Open Access. <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.14727743>)

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Libraries in Zimbabwe also benefit from EIFL programmes on open access and copyright.

EIFL supported [open access awareness raising and advocacy workshops](#) that have resulted in the establishment of a number of open access repositories in

the country. Through our work, the first open access mandate in the country for electronic theses and dissertations (ETDs) was introduced by the University of Zimbabwe, followed by open access policies at Bindura University of Science Education, Lupane State University, Midlands State University and Zimbabwe Ezekiel Guti University, opening their research to the world.

We [engage in copyright law reform](#) for libraries, education, research and persons with disabilities, and we also advocated for ratification by Zimbabwe of the Marrakesh Treaty for persons with print disabilities (Zimbabwe ratified the Marrakesh Treaty in 2019).

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