

“Scholarly monographs should also be Open Access, shouldn’t they?”

– Guidelines and tools to making books Open Access

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Today's presentation

What we do to support open access to scholarly books

What we do to promote trust in open access book publishing

Tips and tricks to open access book publishing – the toolkit

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Infrastructure services enabling
open access to scholarly books



Mission

- increase discoverability of OA books
- promote and build trust in OA book publishing



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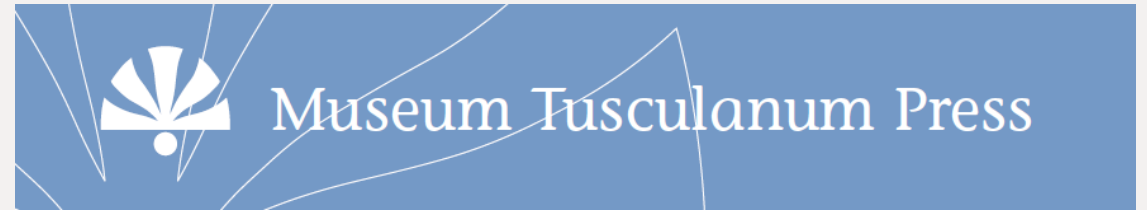
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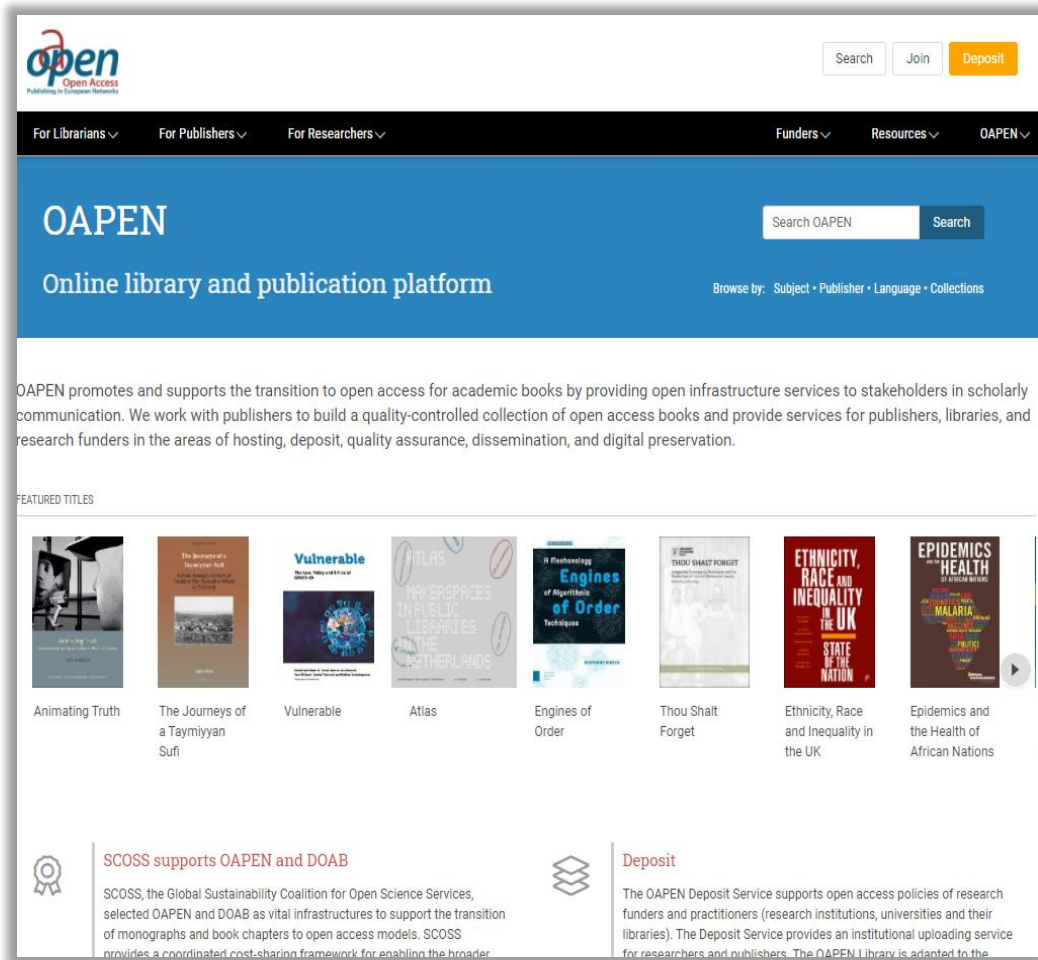
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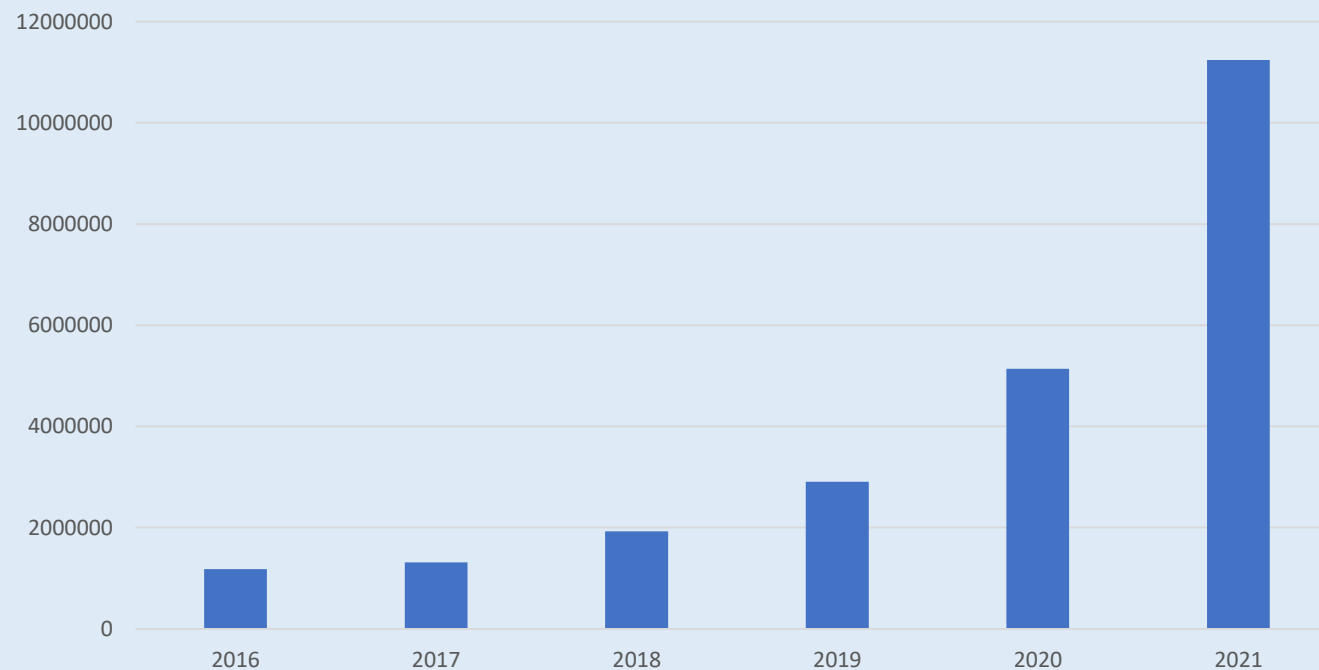
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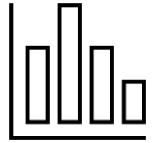
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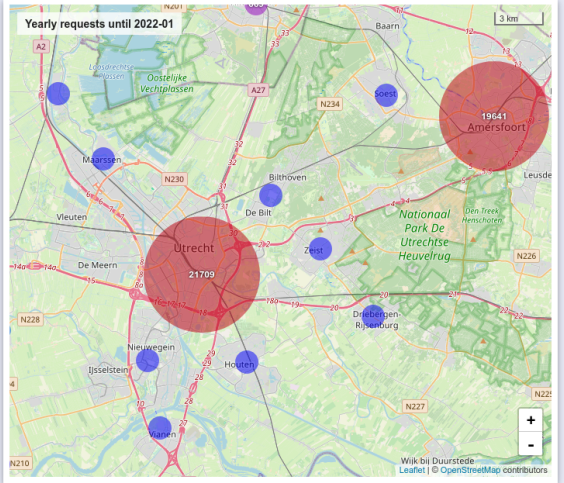
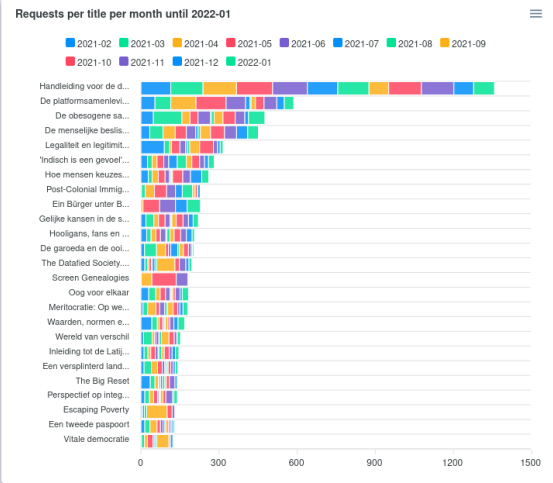
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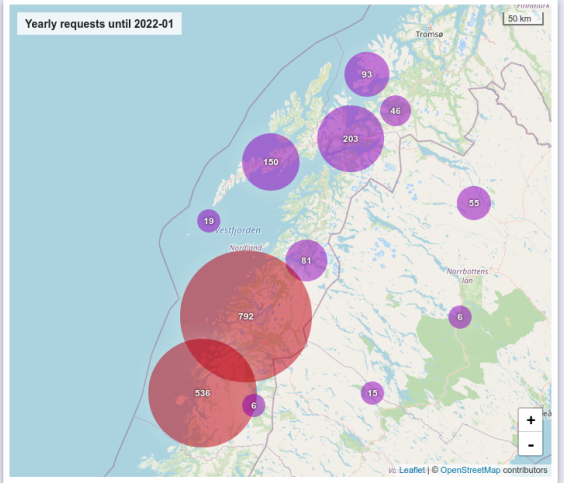
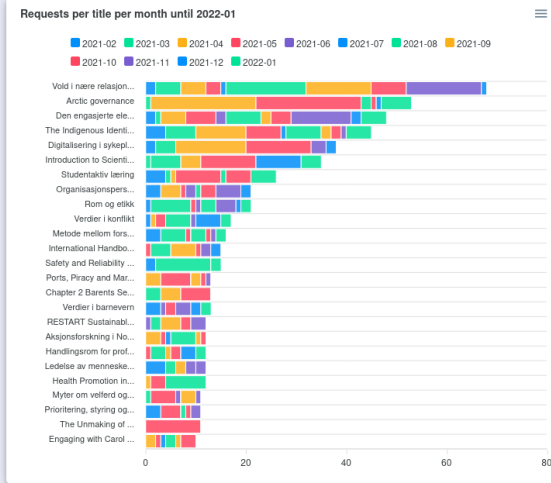
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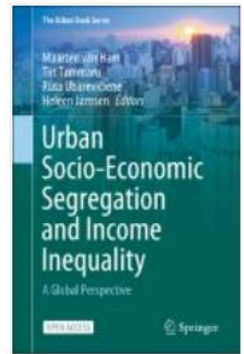
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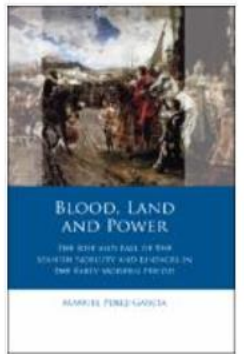
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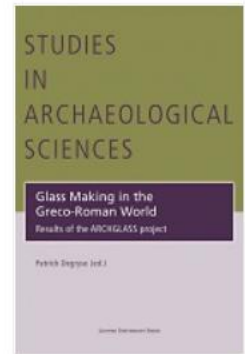
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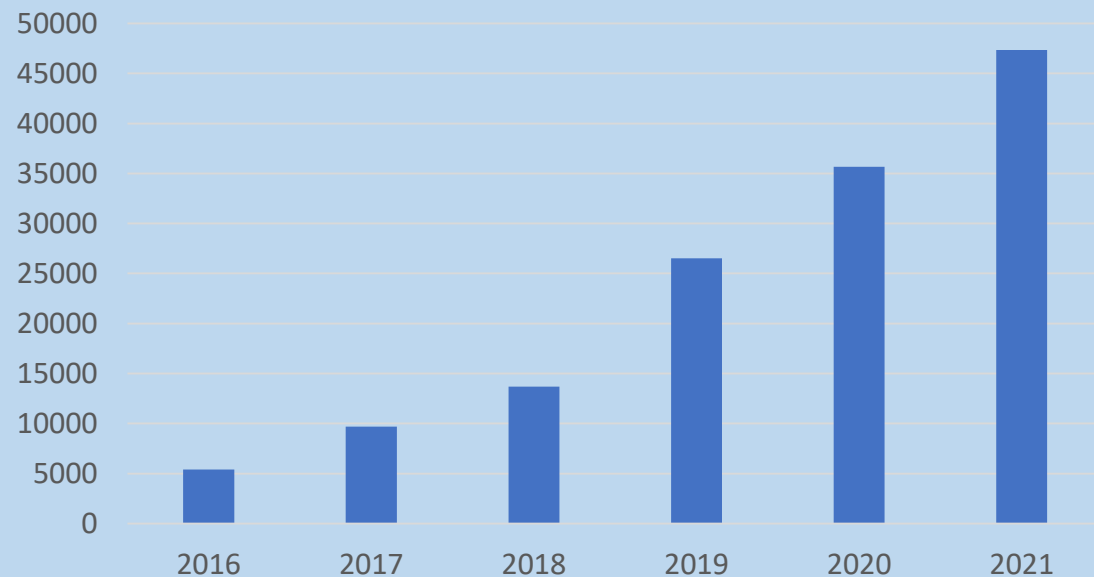
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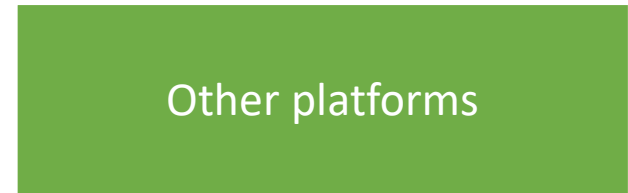
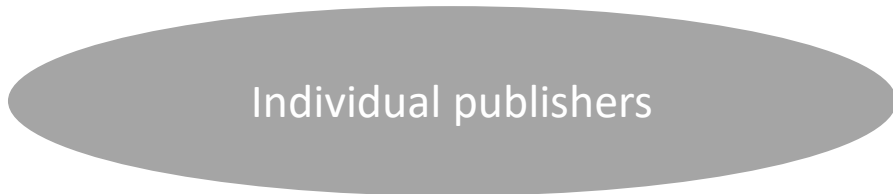
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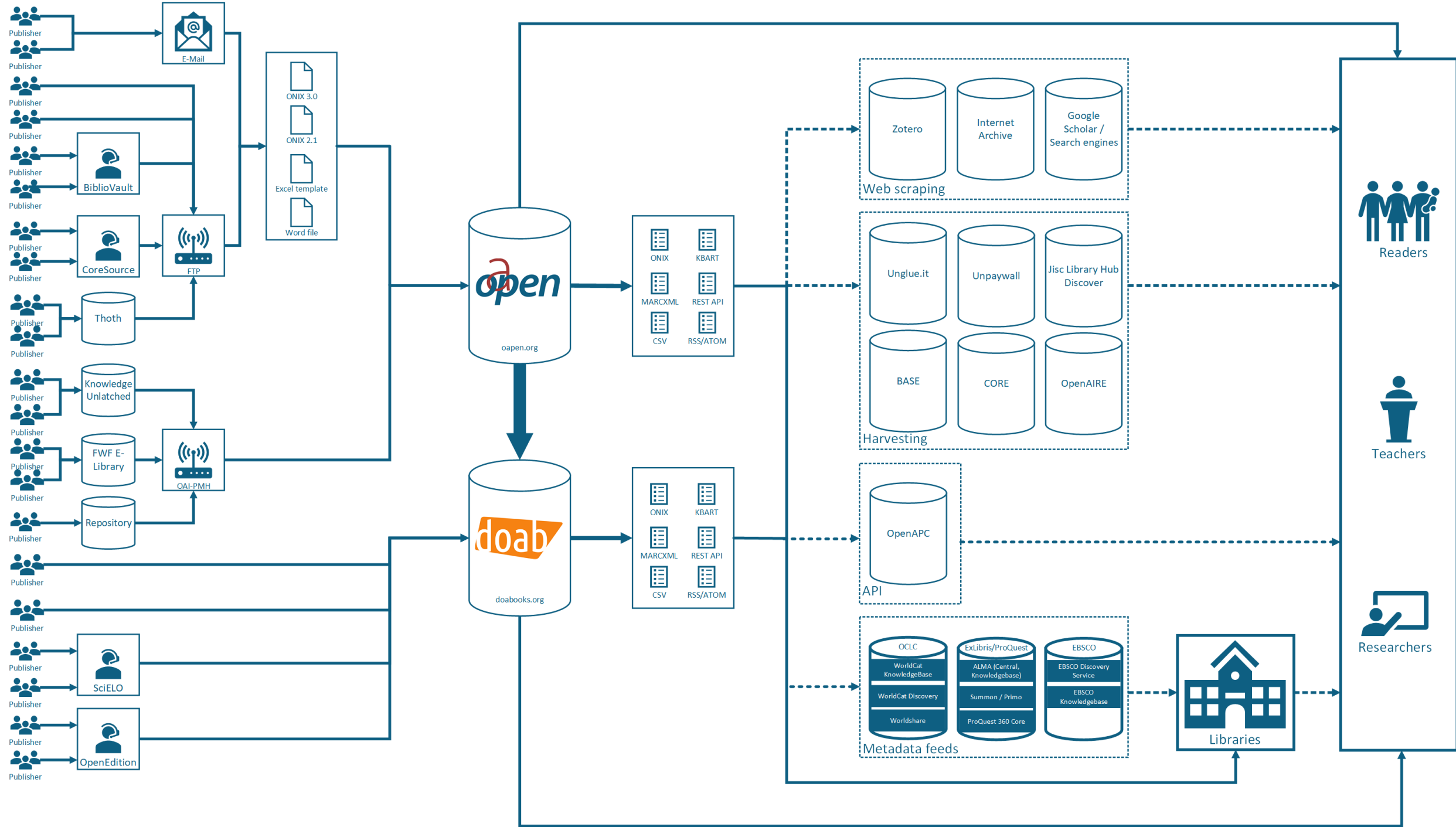
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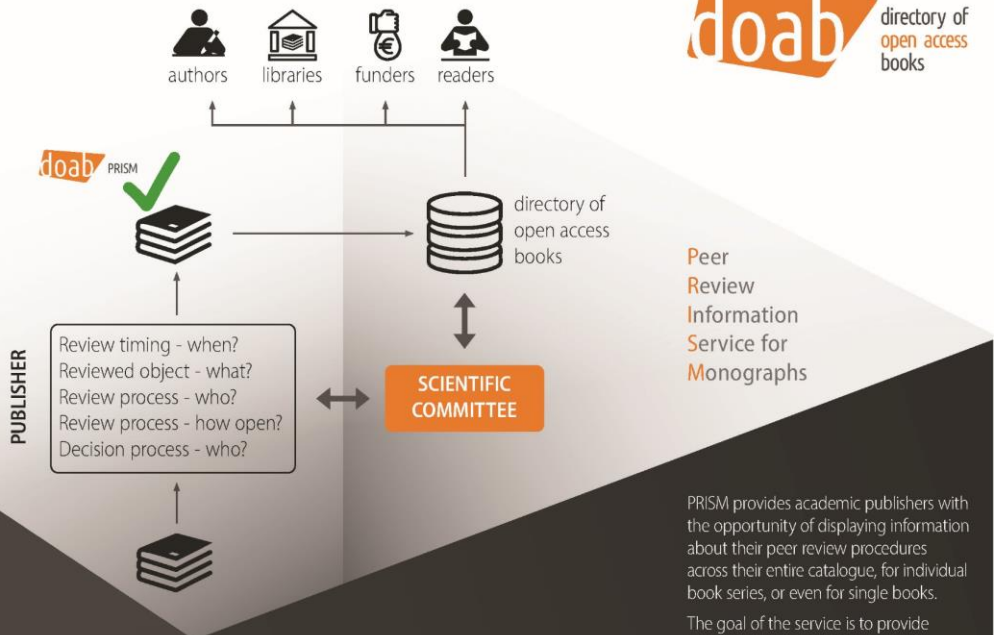
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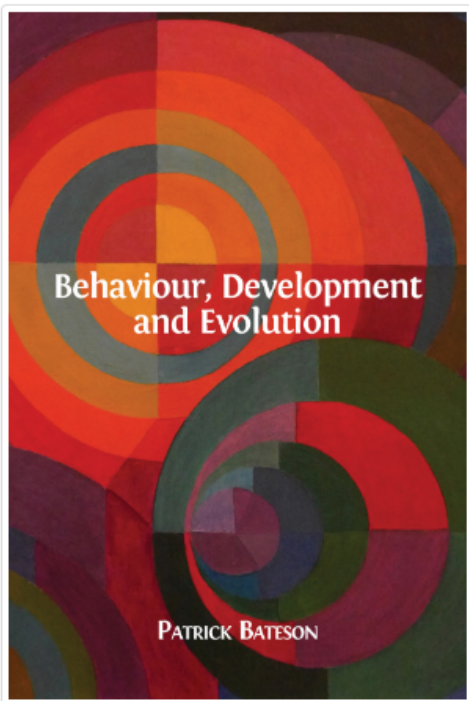
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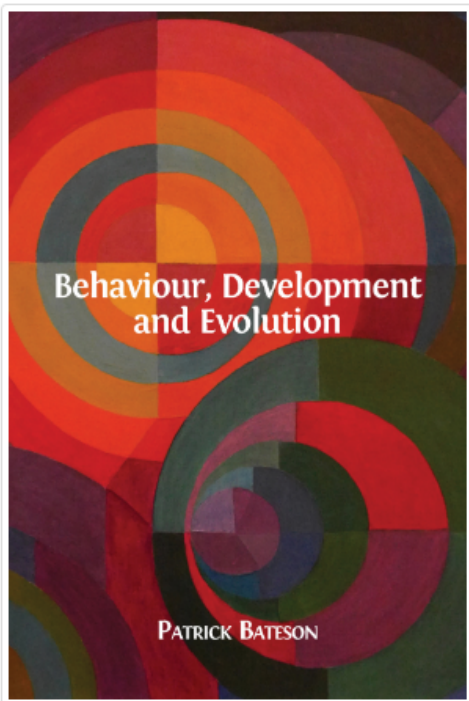
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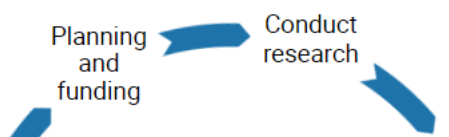
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



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



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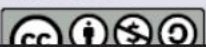
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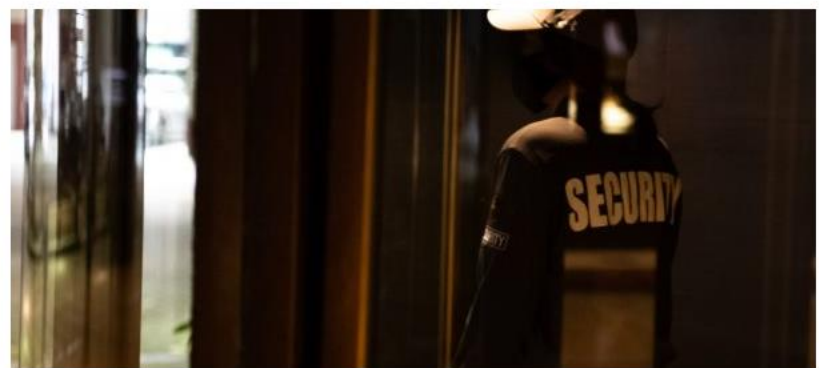


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