Opening Global South knowledge for the Sustainable Development Goals

To achieve a more equitable access and participation of the Global South in the scientific conversation.

Process optimization

Efficiency in the use of human & economic resources

South - South cooperation

Joining forces

A community-driven sustainable framework for Open Knowledge in Latin America and the Global South. It is a new configuration of strategies, in response to the international, regional, national and institutional contexts, which seeks a cooperative, sustainable, protected and non-commercial Open Access (OA) solution for Latin America and the Global South.

Principles

Scientific knowledge generated with public funds is a common good and access to it is a right.

Open Access has no future or meaning without an evolution of research evaluation systems.

The economical investment in Open Access must be coherent with its benefit to society just as commercial solutions are paid.

It is necessary to recognize the diversity of scientific journals and stop the pressures that seek to homogenize them. In the other hand, journals must support the strengthening of institutional repositories by means of the disappearance of embargo policies and cession of rights.

It is necessary to respect the different idiosyncrasies by area, especially the dynamics of the Social Sciences and the Humanities.

Open Access must be legally protected in order to avoid the appropriation of scientific knowledge for profit.

The consolidation of Open Access must consider the transition to digital scientific communication as an essential axis.

The adverse economic scenarios facing Open Access will have to be overcome with work schemes based on collaboration and sustainability, favoring that the scientific publication continues led and sustained by the academy.

The social impact of science is the foundation of Open Access existence.

Open Access must be permanently conceptualized and accordingly defined. The three “B” homogenize the conditions of the development of science and the conditions of the South are different from those of the North.

Projects

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AmelICA: the convergence of technology, existing platforms and the reinstatement of academic nature of scholarly journals to close the regional divide.