



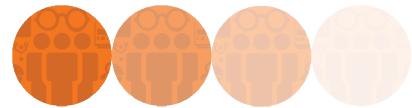
Open Access and Open Data in Horizon 2020

How can OpenAIRE help?

Fact Sheet for
Research Administrators and
Project Coordinators

The Horizon 2020 Open Access Mandate

The European Commission (EC) requires that all peer-reviewed publications resulting from H2020 funding are open access (OA), i.e., freely available online with no restrictions on use.



4 Simple Steps to Open Access

Step 1. Submit a paper to a journal of your choice (there is no restriction). Publishing costs (article processing fees) are eligible costs and can be reimbursed within the project period.

Step 2. Deposit the final peer-reviewed manuscript or the publisher's PDF in an institutional or subject repository (or [Zenodo.org](#) if no other option is available) as soon as possible and at the latest upon publication. It is not enough to list publications on a project website – they'll go unnoticed!

Step 3. Acknowledge project funding in the article's metadata by including the terms ["European Union (EU)" and "Horizon 2020"] or ["Euratom" and Euratom research and training programme 2014-2018"]; the name of the action, acronym and grant number; the publication date and length of embargo period if applicable, and a persistent identifier (e.g. DOI, handle).

Step 4. Ensure open access to the deposited publication. An embargo of 6 months (or 12 months for the social sciences and humanities) is acceptable.

OpenAIRE: Services for Research Managers

Search for your project at: [www.openaire.eu](#).

We maintain a page for every Horizon 2020 project, featuring project information, related project publications and datasets and a statistics section.

OpenAIRE includes an App Box that allows you to generate a project publication list with just one click. Use it to communicate your project results with your collaborators, or dynamically embed it in your project site and automatically keep it up-to-date.

Putting your work into OpenAIRE-compliant repositories automatically ensures that you:

- i. Comply with the Horizon 2020 Mandate on Open Access to scientific publications.
- ii. Save time as you can import your project publications into the EC's participant portal with a single click of a button!



OpenAIRE
Automatically



Can't find or see all your project's publications on OpenAIRE at reporting time?

This means that they are not deposited in an OpenAIRE compliant repository. Use our portal services (Participate – Link Research Results) to claim your publications that are either deposited and not yet viewable, or not yet deposited at all. We help you with a few simple steps, but you must ensure that all H2020 rules are followed!



EC's Open Research Data Pilot

Open Research Data Pilot

If your project is part of the Open Research Data Pilot (check your grant agreement), these are the minimal requirements:

- Write a data management plan. Use existing tools like Digital Curation Center's DMPonline dmponline.dcc.ac.uk, which also provides templates for H2020.
- Deposit your data in a data repository. Take a look at www.re3data.org, a global registry of data repositories. If you cannot find a suitable solution, use OpenAIRE/CERN's catch-all repository www.Zenodo.org.
- Provide information about the tools needed to use the raw data to validate your results (or provide the tools directly).

OpenAIRE compiles and maintains a list of resources that help you understand and implement the requirements of the Pilot.

You can find the Open Research Data Pilot Fact Sheet at www.openaire.eu/services-factsheets and take a look at our support page at www.openaire.eu/opendatapilot.

Are you part of the Pilot? Projects covered by Work Programme 2017 are part of the Pilot by default. As of WP2017, the Pilot has been extended to all areas of H2020. However, even if your project started before then, you might be participating. Find out more at www.openaire.eu/opendatapilot.

Can you opt out? With the right justification, projects may opt out of the Pilot at any stage. For more information, see www.openaire.eu/opendatapilot.

OpenAIRE answers your questions

What is a repository?

An open access repository stores and provides free access to a digital collection of research outputs. Researchers often self-archive their publications in their institutional repository or a community-based, subject-specific repository (e.g. arXiv, Europe PubMed Central). A repository can provide you with a 'persistent identifier', which allows easy discoverability.

What is special about an OpenAIRE compliant repository?

We make sure that all deposited documents use proper metadata, that they specify funding information (project ids) and correctly convey the access rights (OA status). Visit www.openaire.eu (Participate->Deposit) and find a repository that will help you comply with the EC's mandates. Or use OpenAIRE and CERN's repository targeted at data and publications from EU projects: www.zenodo.org

Will publishers allow you to deposit a copy of your article in a repository?

In most cases, yes. Most publishers (check www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo) will allow you to deposit a copy of your article in a repository, sometimes with a period of restricted access (embargo). If the embargo period imposed by the publisher is longer than 6 months (or 12 months for social sciences and humanities), authors are expected to fulfill the Open Access mandate by choosing open access publishing. OpenAIRE can give you advice on these aspects, especially when self-archiving is not an option.

For more FAQs, go to:
www.openaire.eu/support/faq

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Other links

EC's Guide on Open Access to Scientific Publications and Research Data in Horizon 2020:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/oa_pilot/h2020-hi-oa-pilot-guide_en.pdf

EC's Open Access Factsheet:

https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/sites/horizon2020/files/FactSheet_Open_Access.pdf