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Open Access Activities by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF)

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Austrian Science Fund (FWF)

- Major funding agency of basic research in Austria (100 Mio. €)
- Covers all fields of science and the humanities

Funding mechanisms & Infrastructure

- Funding of peer-reviewed research projects only
- No special programmes for infrastructure
- Infrastructure is mainly supported by GUF and Ministries

Funding of Open Access Initiatives

- Resources only available within particular research projects
- OAI depends on Project Investigators activities

Indirect Activities of Supporting OAI

- Peer reviewed publications are paid by FWF since long time ago
- Global budget and 5% additional costs for every funded project
- New incentives by the University Reform 2004
- FWF supports infrastructure initiatives by ERC, ERA-Net & 7. FP
- FWF informs the scientific community about OAI

New Programmes

- New programmes (infrastructure, graduate schools, cultural heritage, e.g.) with more flexibility for dissemination strategies incl. OAI

Information Policy

- FWF will encourage in its guidelines to use OA systematically
- Comprehensive article about OAI in the next FWF quarterly
- New database will linked to OA publications of FWF projects

Common Activities with Stakeholders

- Discussions with Universities, Institutes and Ministries about an Austrian-wide solution