



Open Research Europe - Librarian Advisor Group: Call for the Expression of Interest



Are you an Open Research expert within the library field who would like to advance Open Science and provide support for the widespread adoption of Open Research Europe (ORE) and advance Open Science? Join the ORE Librarian Advisor Group. This group is open to key individuals working at a LIBER-affiliated library. Read the Call below for more information.

What is Open Research Europe (ORE)?

[Open Research Europe](#) is an Open Access publishing platform, offering high-quality publication and open peer review of all research outputs across multiple disciplines.

Launched in 2021 and funded by the European Commission, the platform provides a dedicated venue for beneficiaries of Horizon 2020, Horizon Europe, COST and Euratom funding to publish the results of their work at no cost to themselves and in full compliance of funding open access terms. In order to deliver the open research publishing infrastructure and to provide high-quality editorial services, the Commission has contracted open research publisher [F1000](#) as the publishing partner of ORE.

ORE has positioned itself as a pioneer in the pursuit of Open Research, a movement that aims to facilitate full access to all parts of the research process in order to increase collaboration, disseminate knowledge, improve transparency and reproducibility of research, and support research integrity.

LIBER has collaborated with ORE with the aim of engaging with the research library community through activities such as the organization of workshops and webinars to introduce and educate the library community about the platform and Open Research practices. LIBER also contributes to the sustainability strategy of ORE and ensures that project updates are widely shared across the Open Access ecosystem. The project directly relates to LIBER's 2023-2027 Strategy, in particular, our strategic direction of advancing Open Science and our goal to facilitate multiple, innovative roads to Open Access.

What is the ORE Librarian Advisor Group?

Libraries and their librarians are important gateways to research dissemination, as they are the





link between the (research) community and an institution. There is a need for publishers and librarians to have a synergistic relationship, to ensure research outputs have maximum visibility. This is the core aim of establishing the ORE Librarian Advisor Group.

LIBER and F1000 invite librarians of academic libraries who are Open Research advocates and are motivated to contribute to the success and sustainability of the ORE platform to join the group. We are looking for at least 15 individuals from LIBER member libraries to take part in the Librarian Advisor Group.

What are we looking for in a candidate?

We are looking for qualified individuals (librarians, library managers, Open Research experts, innovators in Open Research) from academic libraries that are members of LIBER. We invite candidates with an interest in and/or experience with Open Research and the ORE platform, who are motivated to contribute to the sustainability and success of the platform by sharing their insights and expertise.

What is the role of the advisory group?

By providing input and feedback about their own experiences, the advisory group will provide a valuable contribution to the functionality and sustainability of the ORE platform. To this end, the ORE Librarian Advisor Group will come together online and in person several times per year and will serve as a community of experts on Open Research. The meetings will be an opportunity for members of this group to discuss various ways that we can further foster and nurture collaboration with institutional librarians in order to improve dissemination practices and how best to engage target audiences about the importance of Open Research.

How are the meetings organised?

Online and in-person meetings will take place 3 to 4 times a year. The first meeting will take place online in early June 2023, followed by an in-person meeting at the LIBER Annual Conference in Budapest in July. After this, meetings will take place quarterly, with the opportunity to meet in person during LIBER's Winter Events and Annual Conferences. The meetings will be organised by LIBER and moderated by F1000.

Why be a member of the advisory group?

Members of this advisory group will be thought leaders on Open Research, contributing to driving the movement forward and making Open Research publishing practices, like those employed on ORE, the norm across the academic dissemination landscape. They will take part in knowledge-sharing exercises and will help improve and promote the ORE platform by sharing their expertise. Members will be able to network and collaborate with a group of multidisciplinary experts, scholars and practitioners. The horizontal knowledge-sharing approach of this group will help build a community of individuals that are passionate about the adoption and advancement of Open Research in the academic world. Participants will meet their peers in a closed environment and



will be able to engage in mutual learning activities.

How to become a member or ask for more information?

If you are interested in joining the advisory group, you are invited to apply by sending a short letter detailing your motivations for being a member of the group as well as your CV stating your experience and/or current engagement with Open Research, to: calls@libereurope.org. Applications must be submitted by May 22nd, 2023. For more information, please refer to [Open Research Europe](#) or contact Barbara van der Vaart: barbara.vandervaart@libereurope.org.