Open Access policy for the Universitety of Stavanger

It is a goal of the University of Stavanger that research results should be openly available to individuals, the public sector, industry and the global research community. This should happen in line with the principles for academic freedom, which gives the researcher sole right to choose here to publish scientific work. The following applies to peer reviewed scientific articles:

1. Mandatory archiving of peer reviewed articles in the institutional repository (UiS Brage)

All researchers at the Univeristy of Stavanger employed after 1. May 2012 are obligated to submit to the repository (UiS Brage) a post print version of peer reviewed articles produced as part of their employment.

UiS also encourages all other employees to follow this principle for institutional archiving.

Post print is also known as «author accepted manuscript», and refers to the final edition of the article after peer review, before the publisher's layout. When the publisher allows it, the final PDF is prefered.

If an article is published in a journal which does not allow institutional archiving, and the employee is unable to secure permission on request, they are released from this requirement. This also applies if co-authors have valid reasons for not granting permission.

2. Subsequently making articles available in the institutional repository (UiS Brage)

All researchers at the Univeristy of Stavanger employed after 1. May 2012 are obligated to do their best to ensure that peer reviewed articles can be made available online as soon as possible via the University's institutional repository.

UiS also encourages all other employees to follow this principle for institutional archiving.

3. Choosing where to publish

When a reseracher has a choice between to equal possibilities, UiS recommends that they choose whichever journal allows open access to the article, whether it is through an Open Access journal or through making the article available through the institutional repository.

The Open Access policy was accepted by the Board on the 18. April 2012/revised 28. April 2016