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As of 1 May 2016 the so-called Green Road to Open Access publishing is mandatory for all (co) authors at TU Delft. The (co)author must publish at the least the final accepted author's version of a peer-reviewed article with the required metadata in the TU Delft Institutional Repository.

TU Delft Library is mandated by TU Delft's Executive Board to facilitate the Open Access process, e.g. by harvesting content, verifying copyrights including legal approval, and making TU Delft output accessible through Open Access in the TU Delft Institutional Repository. The so-called Golden Road financed by the TU Delft Open Access Fund will be used as an Open Access option in the national and bilateral negotiations with a variety of publishers in which TU Delft Library takes part.

## What does this TU Delft policy on Open Access publishing mean for you as a researcher?

As a TU Delft researcher you will –after your publication has been accepted by a journal– submit the complete text of your publication to PURE, TU Delft's current research information system (former METIS). PURE will publish your publication in the TU Delft Institutional Repository. This process is TU Delft Library's responsibility. TU Delft asks you to undertake all efforts to make your publications accessible in **Open Access**. The university's aim is that TU Delft researchers publish each of their publications in Open Access immediately after acceptance.

If you have no permission from your publisher to place a publisher's version in the TU Delft Institutional Repository, we ask you to place a final author's version of your publication in the Institutional Repository, according to the **publisher policies on self-archiving**. This will result in your publications being openly and freely accessible in the TU Delft Institutional Repository and other aggregators, such as NARCIS and OpenAire.

The new TU Delft policy on Open Access has no further influence on the current academic publication practice.

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## Why this policy?

The policy on Open Access publishing will:

- increase TU Delft Open Access publications in the TU Delft Institutional Repository;
- ensure that TU Delft follows the national policy on Open Access (the State Secretary for Education, Culture and Science of the Netherlands has set clear objectives for Open Access publishing by universities in the Netherlands: 60% of peer-reviewed publications should be available through Open Access in 2018, up to 100% in 2024);
- allow TU Delft (co)authors to be compliant with requirements from external funding sources (e.g. the European Union);
- create a positive effect on your own, your faculty's and the TU Delft's score in citation or impact analyses.

This policy is part of the TU Delft Open Science Program. Open Science means:

**'as wide as possible dissemination of scientific knowledge, free of charges to all users and online accessible.'**

Open Science consists of Open Research (Open Access

publications and FAIR Research Data Management), Open Education, and Open Software and Sourceware.

By making scientific publications freely accessible and reusable we allow more people to become aware of the results of scientific research; including those who cannot afford paid access to this information. New ideas are spread faster and wider which in turn leads to new research: a boost for science. Teachers also benefit from Open Access by using this knowledge directly in their courses. Companies gain access to the latest scientific ideas and can build on these. And Open Access publishing and Open Science boost the knowledge-based economy and innovation. This is why TU Delft expresses the importance of Open Science in its mission:

**‘TU Delft is dedicated to making a significant contribution to finding responsible solutions to societal problems, at both national and international level.**

**Our mission is to deliver Science to Society.’**

The policy can be seen as the follow-up of the signing of the **Berlin Declaration** on Open Access in May 2005.

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