

The Institutional Policy of the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova on Open Access

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“The Institutional Policy of the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova on Open Access” recognizes the strategic importance of Open Access to information for disseminating scientific knowledge in a spirit promoted by international initiatives and declarations. The overall goal of Open Access is to benefit from international information content and to ensure the creation and distribution of local content.

AESM is interested in promoting a new paradigm of Open Access to provide more benefits to science and society. The researchers’ publications will have increased visibility, greater impact and prestige in the scientific community. Open Access will improve dissemination of the findings of the research carried out within AESM.

Therefore, the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova is committed to disseminate the findings of research financed from the budget and projects based on Open Access principles; to encourage researchers to show support for Open Access by publishing their articles in Open Access journals and the AESM institutional repository. In the long run, we intend to make progress by encouraging researchers / grant winners to publish their papers in accordance with the principles of the Open Access paradigm and developing means and ways of assessing the contribution to Open Access achievement in order to maintain quality standards.

The basic strategies are summarized as follows:

- 1.** Implementing Open Access to scientific publications through two complementary models: Self-archiving in AESM institutional repository and publishing AESM journals in the international registry DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals).
- 2.** The policy requires that all scientific publications which are written with state and grant financial support be included in the AESM Institutional Repository on the date of publication or, in case of embargo, within six months after publication.
- 3.** Permission granted by the authors is a non-exclusive, irrevocable license that exercises all the rights under copyright; it allows Open Access distribution of materials published on condition that they will not be used to gain profit.
- 4.** As long as this policy does not apply to other types of didactic publications other than articles (e.g. monographs etc.), the authors are encouraged to include these publications in the AESM institutional repository.
- 5.** Adopting an efficient peer review process to ensure the quality of scientific publications.
- 6.** AESM institutional policy on Open Access will be entered in the form of an institutional mandate into ROARMAP (Registry of Open Access Repositories Mandatory Archiving Policies) that authorizes Open Access to the findings of scientific research carried out with public funds. AESM institutional repository will be recorded in ROAR (Registry of Open Access Repositories).
- 7.** It is necessary to study the legal framework of the institution to adequately initiate the procedure for implementing Open Access to scientific information, to cooperate with the persons responsible for scientific activities, in order to establish the legal requirements to be met.

- 8.** The policy will apply to all scientific articles published during the period of the author's work at AESM, except for publications released before the adoption of this policy.
- 9.** All relevant parties – the departments hosting and supporting scientific research, the researchers that generate the research findings, the librarians and other people interested, should promote a rapid and efficient transition to Open Access publishing.
- 10.** The Scientific Library will enable the Institutional Repository operations and will report annually to the Senate.
- 11.** The Department of Science will monitor the process of ensuring full compliance of policy provisions with the authors' interests.