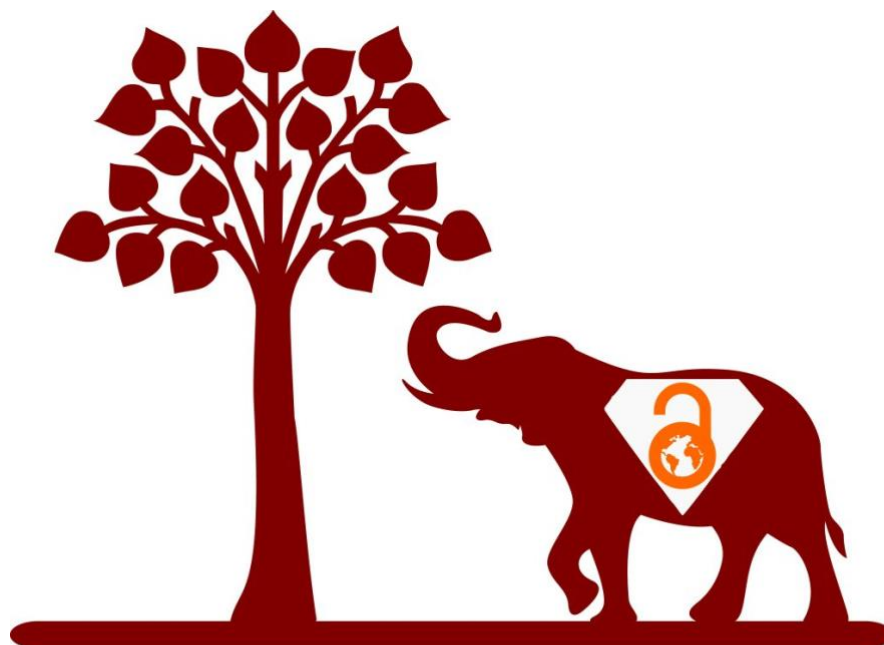# 3rd Global Summit on Diamond Open Access

2–6 February 2026 | Bengaluru, India

Collaboration for Equitable Digital Infrastructures and Knowledge Commons in Agriculture and Broader Scientific Research System

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Diamond Open Access
BENGALURU 2026

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About Diamond Open Access

Diamond Open Access is a community-led scholarly publishing model without financial barriers for authors or readers, making knowledge available as a global public good. It promotes equity, sustainability, multilingualism, and bibliodiversity, aligning with the Budapest Open Access Initiative, the UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science, the Action Plan for Diamond Open Access, and the Global Digital Compact.

The Global Summits

Toluca, Mexico (2023) — Equity, Quality, Usability, Sustainability

- The inaugural Summit (October 23–27, 2023) established the foundational principles of Diamond Open Access: equity, quality, usability, and sustainability. It brought together editors, researchers, and policymakers to advance non-commercial, community-led scholarly publishing and to promote more inclusive and accessible knowledge creation.

Cape Town, South Africa (2024) — Centering Social Justice in Scholarly Communication

- The second Summit (December 8–14, 2024) focused on social justice and the recognition of research as a public good. With over 1,100 participants from 73 countries, it highlighted the need for equitable access, participation, decolonization, and language diversity in scholarly publishing, reinforcing the global commitment to inclusive and community-driven Open Access.

Bengaluru Summit 2026

The upcoming 3rd Global Summit on Diamond Open Access at Bengaluru under the theme "Collaboration for Equitable Digital Infrastructures and Knowledge Commons in Agriculture and the Broader Scientific Research System," will build on the outcomes of the previous Summits. It will feature high-level plenaries, thematic tracks, and interactive workshops on equity, multilingualism, research assessment, and policy alignment. Posters and case studies will showcase innovations from around the world. Sessions are designed to foster inclusive dialogue, collaboration, capacity building, and actionable policy outcomes, with careful attention to regional representation and gender balance, ensuring diverse global perspectives in every discussion. The Summit will culminate in the Bengaluru Roadmap for Diamond OA and the launch of Regional and Global Action Plans, advancing the mission of making research a public good through equitable, sustainable, and community-driven practices.

Vision & Strategic Focus

The 3rd Global Summit on Diamond OA seeks to contribute to a resilient, equitable, and multilingual scholarly communication ecosystem underpinned by Diamond OA models and interoperable, public digital infrastructures. The Summit envisions strengthening Diamond OA across all disciplines by catalyzing collaborative governance, public investment, and sustainable infrastructure in a global knowledge commons.

Objectives

- Scale Diamond Open Access across disciplines through supportive policies, sustainable funding, and interoperable infrastructure.
- Foster inclusive collaboration among researchers, institutions, policymakers, funders, publishers, and community organisations.
- Strengthen transparent, community-led governance to ensure accountability and long-term sustainability.
- Embed Diamond OA within digital public infrastructure and align it with global policy agendas.
- Promote responsible research assessment and create incentives for its wider adoption.
- Address inequities in access, authorship, and visibility, particularly for underrepresented regions, languages, and disciplines.
- Support and empower early career researchers by expanding their participation in Diamond OA, Open Science, and assessment reform.
- Develop coordinated implementation roadmaps at national, regional, and global levels to guide sustained action.

Summit Programme

2 February 2026 (Monday): Workshops on Infrastructure, Services and Research Futures
- Workshop 1: Publishing Platforms & Service Providers
- Workshop 2: Metadata Standards, Interoperability & Persistent Identifiers
- Workshop 3: Repositories & Preprints
- Workshop 4: Beyond Articles: Rethinking Diamond OA for a Data-Driven Research Future (CODATA Connect Session)

3 February 2026 (Tuesday): Opening Ceremony and Thematic Plenaries
- Welcome Addresses
- Inaugural & Keynotes: Global Commitment to Diamond Open Access
- Plenary 1: Reimagining Scholarly Publishing for Equity & Inclusion – focus on bibliodiversity and equitable access
- Parallel Sessions: Thematic Tracks

- ○ A. Agriculture & Food Systems
  - ○ B. Medicine
  - ○ C. Engineering
  - ○ D. Humanities & Social Sciences
- Plenary 2: Global & Regional Roundtable – Policy Convergence & Capacity Needs

4 February 2026 (Wednesday): Infrastructure, Capacity, and Policy

- Plenary 3: Building & Sustaining Open Science Infrastructure – global initiatives and funder perspectives
- Parallel Sessions: Breakout Discussions – Conference Themes (Multilingual: Arabic English, French, Portuguese, Spanish etc.)
- Plenary 4: Responsible Research Assessment as a Pathway to Diamond OA
- Poster & Contributed Sessions – I

5 February 2026 (Thursday): Community Building and Future Directions

- Plenary 5: Diamond OA Initiatives and Transitions
- Plenary 6: Early Career Researchers Meeting
- Presentation & Adoption: Bengaluru Roadmap on Diamond OA
- Closing Plenary: Commitments & Next Steps – policy reflections and planning
- Poster & Contributed Sessions – II

6 February 2026 (Friday): Workshops on Monitoring and Capacity Building

- Workshop 5: Monitoring Systems for Evaluating Diamond OA
- Workshop 6: Diamond OA Standards and Capacity Building
- Closing Reflections & Networking Session

Summit Outcomes

- **Global Leadership**: Advancing equitable participation and visibility of researchers and institutions worldwide across regions, languages, and disciplines and strengthening the role of early career researchers in shaping inclusive, multilingual Diamond OA.
- **Community-Owned Infrastructures**: Supporting sustainable, non-commercial, community-led publishing and data systems that reinforce long-term stewardship of scholarly communication.
- **Knowledge Diversity**: Promoting bibliodiversity, multilingualism, local journals, indigenous knowledge, and a broad range of research formats, including emerging data-driven outputs.
- **Sustainability & Capacity-Building**: Developing sustainable funding models and coordinated training for repositories, journals, libraries, and early career researchers to strengthen equitable participation and open workflows.
- **Collaboration & Norm-Setting**: Fostering cross-regional cooperation, transparent peer review, preprints integration, responsible research assessment, and alignment with UNESCO's Open Science vision.

Sponsorship & Exhibition

- **Platinum ₹10,00,000 | €10,000** Lead recognition; logo on stage and official materials; plenary address; featured in Roadmap; premium booth; dedicated session option.
- **Gold ₹7,00,000 | €7,000** Major visibility; logo across Summit materials; supports thematic tracks; exhibition booth.
- **Silver ₹5,00,000 | €5,000** Supporting recognition; logo in communications; supports fellowships and poster awards.
- **Custom Below ₹5,00,000 | Below €5,000** For sessions, workshops, speaker travel. Includes tailored acknowledgment in programme and on stage (where relevant).
- **Exhibition Booths**

- o **Premium ₹1,00,000 | €1,000:** 6m×3m prime space, enhanced branding, 3 passes
  - o **Standard ₹50,000 | €500:** 3m×3m, table/chairs/power, 2 passes.
  - o **Scholarly Societies ₹25,000:** 3m×3m, 1 pass.

Organisers

- Society for Promotion of Horticulture (SPH), Bengaluru
- ICAR–Indian Institute of Horticultural Research (ICAR-IIHR), Bengaluru
- University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru (UASB)
- ICAR–Directorate of Knowledge Management in Agriculture (ICAR-DKMA), New Delhi
- JPN National Centre of Excellence in the Humanities, IIT Indore
- CSIR–National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (CSIR–NIScPR), New Delhi
- Indian National Young Academy of Science (INYAS), New Delhi

Collaborating and Supporting Organisations

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- AmeliCA/Redalyc
- Centre Franco-Indien pour la Promotion de la Recherche Avancée (CEFIPRA)
- CLACSO-Latin American Council of Social Sciences
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- Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA)
- Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
- DST-CPR, IISc, Bengaluru
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- Open Access India
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