Data on scholarly journal publishing: Taking forward the findings of the 2006 Baseline Report

Tuesday 14 November 2006, 13.00 -16.30
at the Royal Institute of Public Health, 28 Portland Place, London W1

A Research Information Network workshop

Early in 2006, the Research Information Network, Research Councils UK and the Department of Trade and Industry commissioned a study whose purpose would be to audit and evaluate the available evidence relating to scholarly journals publishing; and to distil what we do and do not currently know for certain about this market. The task of undertaking the work was entrusted to the EPS consultancy, which, in October, published the output from the study: UK Scholarly Publishing: 2006 Baseline Report. Further background on the project, key conclusions and the report itself can be found on the RIN website at http://www.rin.ac.uk/data-scholarly-journals.

The purpose of this workshop is to present and explain the conclusions of the study; to consider the key lessons to be drawn from it, particularly in relation to the development of UK public policy; and to lay the basis for a plan of action about how such issues might be addressed in practice.

In addition to the speakers and participants, members of the EPS project team will also be present to take part in the discussion.

PROGRAMME

12:00 Registration and lunch
13:00 Welcome from the Chair
   Richard Charkin – Chief Executive, Macmillan Publishers Ltd
13:10 Introduction and rationale
   Michael Jubb – Director, Research Information Network
13:30 Presentation of the 2006 Baseline Report
   Jeffrey Aronson – Professor of Clinical Pharmacology, University of Oxford – Chair of the Expert Group that oversaw the production of the Report
14:00 Questions and discussion
14:15 Coffee
14:30 Key Report findings from the perspective of the principal stakeholders
   A brief overview from members of a panel including:
   Paul Ayris – Librarian, University College London
   Astrid Wissenburg – Director of Communications and Information, Economic and Social Research Council
14:50 Discussion with panel: the way forward
   - making the best use of the data
   - addressing the gaps
16:00 Synthesis: practical ideas
16:30 Close

This event is free, and everyone is welcome.

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