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## Plan d'action suisse pour l'Open Access

Les défis pour l'évaluation de la recherche

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### 1. Introduction: Open Acess is ....

## A successful strategy ...

- for the researchers
- for the Higher Education Institutions
- for the community and the economy

## ... which brings its own challenges ...

- for the research career and the researchers
- for the control of the institutional costs
- for the quality of research and its evaluation

## ... that have to be tackled by means of adequate framework conditions!

- research evaluation based on content
- Ascertaining diversity of the scientific production process
- Powerful and unified approach
- Support and commitment from research communities (communication)

## 2. A successful strategy for the researchers:

#### A higher visibility

"OA articles receive 18% more citations than average" (Piwowar H, et. al. 2017. The State of OA: A large-scale analysis of the prevalence and impact of Open Access articles. doi:10.7287/peerj.preprints.3119v1)

- A faster access to research results and an increased exchange between researchers
- A new good scientific practice (cf. LERU)
  - A Horizon 2020 Guidelines to the Rules on Open Access to Scientific Publications and Open Access to Research Data ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants\_manual/hi/oa\_pilot/h2020hi-oa-pilot-guide\_en.pdf
  - NIH Public Access Policy publicaccess.nih.gov
  - Wellcome trust Open Access Policy
    wellcome.ac.uk/funding/managing-grant/complying-our-open-access-policy

## 3. Challenges for Research Evaluation and for Research Careers

- See reports of the Swiss Science and Innovation Council SSIC
  - A Open Access from the point of view of authors/researchers, SSIC Theses and recommendation
  - Open Access: Publishing, Commerce, and the Scientific Ethos (B. Strasser & P. Edwards, 2015)

## 4. Impact on Research Evaluation and Research Careers

#### Adequate framework conditions:

- Coherent higher education policy :

  - Revision of the quality evaluation
- Research evaluation and promotion system based on the content and inspired by:
  - X the San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA) and
  - X the Leiden Manifesto for Research Metrics
  - « Measuring research output in the humanities and social sciences » and
    «Research performances in the humanities and social sciences»

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