

# National (Funder) Open Science Policy - Serbia



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# Serbian Scientific Community - Few Facts:







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- 1) small scientific community (up to 25000 researchers)
- 2) participate in cca 270 (150 current) EU-H2020 projects
- 3) 7000 articles/year in WoS, 1200 PhD
- 4) 80% of research is funded by the Serbian Government
- 5) Serbia has adopted National science policy on July 14th, 2018

# Results:



## Open science in the newly adopted Law on Science and Research in Serbia

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Open Science is an internationally and universally accepted term that includes open (free for the end-users) access to scientific and educational literature, open research, open innovation, open source software, etc. In all documents regulating science in the European Union (and beyond), open access is mandatory, as the wider community has the right of access to the results of scientific research funded from public sources, i.e. by the money of taxpayers.

The Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development (MESTD) has unambiguously shown determination in the previous period to follow the principles of open science. This is, above all, reflected in the Open Science Platform (adopted in July 2018, [English translation](#)), and in [several articles in the recently adopted new Law on Science and Research](#).

In one of the introductory articles (Article 4), "conducting research work in accordance with the principles of open science" is recognized as a fundamental principle of science and research.

Article 6 is entirely dedicated to open science:

- In order to increase the quality and visibility of scientific work, research is conducted in accordance with the principles of open science, with optimal use of scientific research infrastructure.
- The principle of open science and open access to scientific publications and research data is based on the recommendations of the European Commission and international good practice.

In the section dealing with the General Interest Programs for the Republic of Serbia (Article 12), all centrally funded programs contributing to the effective implementation of scientific activities are listed. Paragraph 12 also lists "programs related to scientific research infrastructure and open science".


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## Serbia has adopted a national science policy!

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 Serbia has adopted a national science policy on July 14th, 2018, called the 'Open Science Platform'. The Serbian version of the policy is available on the [official webpage of the Serbian Ministry \(MESTD\)](#) and the version in English is available on OpenAIRE. The discussion about OS in Serbia started in 2014. At the time, in Serbia, OA was mandated only for PhD theses. Therefore, a working group was established by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development (MESTD) with the task of en Science policy. As the Ministry is the main funder of research in Serbia, such a policy would also serve as a national OA policy.

policy was provided by the [PASTEUR40A](#) team. The draft was further developed after this project ended.

the policy are:

andatory for all publications resulting from research funded by the MESTD, including journal articles, monographs, book chapters, s, PhD theses (already mandated since 2014).  
 een' OA mandate (repositories) – publishing in a journal of choice and depositing an author's copy in an OA repository;  
 argo periods are 12 months after the date of publication in case of physical and medical sciences, and engineering, or no later than  
 : of social sciences and humanities  
 cognize Article Processing Charges (APCs) and Book Processing Charges (BPCs) foreseen in the project budget as eligible costs.  
 mandated; it is merely recommended; the Platform specifies situations where data should not be shared

ention evaluation but it may be expected that institutional policies will seek to establish a link between the OA content available in es and promotion procedures.

# On-going activities:

- (1) Institutional Policies (some institutions already did it)
- (2) Repozitorization of Serbia continues  
(boosted by the national policy)
- (3) Implementation of the policy into the regulation



CER - Central Repository of the Institute of Chemistry, Technology and Metallurgy



Cherry - Repository of the Faculty of Chemistry, University of Belgrade



DAIS - Digital Archive of the Publications of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts



FarFar - Pharmacy Repository



GraFar - Repository of the Faculty of Civil Engineering



Jakov - Repository of the University of Criminal Investigation and Police Studies, Belgrade



NaRDUS - Nacionalni repozitorijum disertacija u Srbiji



PlantaRum - Repository of the Institute for Plant Protection and Environment



RADaR



RAF - Repository of the Faculty of Architecture



RAUmPlan - Repository of Architecture, Urbanism and Planning



RIFDT - Repository of Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory



RiStocar - Repository of the Institute of Animal Husbandry



Repository of the Maize Research Institute, "Zemun Polje"



RhinoSec - Repository of the Faculty of Security Studies, University of Belgrade



SCIndeks - Serbian Citation Index



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# Thank you!

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