



### OpenJournals

OpenJournals is an advanced web-based productivity tool and web-publishing system for scholarly journals. The OpenJournals solution has been designed to decrease the time and energy devoted by journal editors on journal management and editing, and provide easy publishing on the internet to instantly reach an international readership.

#### The key system functionalities are:

- Online manuscript submission
- Online management of editorial content through peer-review, copyediting, layout editing and proofreading
- Subscription management
- Email notification and commenting abilities for readers
- Reading Tools for readers
- Complete context-sensitive online Help support
- Full-text online publishing in PDF, html or mp3 format
- Forums, Blogs, Calendars and many more enhancements.

### OpenJournals - discover the advantages

The OpenJournals solution is entirely based on open source technologies to form an affordable option for scholarly journals. The Open Journal Systems (OJS) software, developed by the Public Knowledge Project of the University of British Columbia in Canada, forms the kernel of the solution. It was enhanced by AOSIS with a professional support framework and cost effective hosting environment to form OpenJournals.

Our quality assured standards of consultancy, hosting, training and support plans will ensure your journals' OJS success! Our solution is also extremely competitively priced, particularly for African scholarly journals.



#### Essential OpenJournals solution components:

- **Consultancy**, planning your online editorial work office.
- **Hosting**, positioning your office with the number one hosting company within South Africa
- **Training**, provide in-depth user support training ranging from upper staff level to online user.
- **Advertisement**, sourcing and placing advertisements on your online journal to enhance financial viability
- **Support**, providing additional services depending upon your online office needs.

AOSIS has been in service since 1999, and have established a reputation for quality service, products and support. We look forward to showing you that this reputation is well deserved.

## How does OpenJournals work?

After an initial demonstration of the OJS software, our consultant will evaluate your online needs and outline an initial proposal.

This will be followed by a detailed quotation to setup, customise host and support the OJS in your environment.

## OpenJournals service components

### **Consultancy**

Our consultants will evaluate your journal's online editorial management and publishing needs.



### **Hosting**

To eliminate the need to acquire your own IT infrastructure, our flexible web hosting plans offer a reliable service both for start-ups and large journals alike. Uncapped bandwidth connectivity combined with 99.9% uptime on websites provides for a world-class hosting offering with Hetzner, the award winning South African hosting provider.

By hosting your journal on our OpenJournals platform you will also have access to:

- free bug fixes and patches
- free upgrades to newer OJS versions
- technical support
- save money and reduce stress through the elimination of risk associated with IT professionals inexperienced with OJS and its essential supporting technologies

All our hosting solutions come with added benefits such as:

- Free mailboxes
- Free aliases for email forwarding
- Uncapped bandwidth
- Daily secure back-ups of your website and its database

### **Training**

All key role players will be trained by our experienced staff on how to use the OJS system, and to how coordinate several journal functions with it.

All training sessions will commence after setup and implementation of your website and before the launch of the online journal.

#### How you will learn:

- Time: 6 hours sessions or your choice of 2 hour sessions
- Structure: Walk-through explanation and hands on demonstration
- Methods: Work-book and demonstration
- Learn: The roles of the OJS system and its functionalities-for optimal use.

### **Advertisement sourcing and placement**

OpenJournals sources online advertisements for your online journal, related to your journal contents. No advertisements will be placed that is harmful, abusive or non-evidence based.

#### How it works

All advertisement revenue sourced by AOSIS for the journal is split on a 50%-50% ratio between AOSIS and the journal client, after deduction of agency fees.

However, if the journal client sources advertisements, a once-off uploading fee of and a monthly administration fee (per advertisement) is charged by AOSIS, whereby weekly hit reports will be generated for the client. The journal client can keep all income from such advertising.



## **Support**

OpenJournals offers extensive user support to the editorial staff of journal clients, to keep the journal wings flying.

This support is provided by telephone or email and if need be can be arranged face-to-face. Support is provided to journal clients at a preferential hourly fee, but for greater convenience and even more cost effective rate can be in bulk on a pre-paid basis, to be used when needed.

Other journal support services are:

- Subscription management
- Back issue uploading
- Template design
- Logo design
- Advertisements design
- Online journal launch (campaign)
- Domain registration
- CPD program management

### **Subscription Management:**

Sourcing, collecting payments and postal addresses of your subscribers and communicating it back to your publisher.

### **Back Issue uploading**

Uploading issues to build an online archive can be accomplished swiftly and hassle free.

### **Template design**

We can design a unique look and feel for your online journal.

### **Logo Design**

If you need a new fresh logo look for your online journal than we can create it for you.

### **Advertisement Design**

If you have an advertiser who wants to advertise on your website but doesn't have an advert, we can design it for you.

### **Online Journal launch**

If you need help with launching your online journal, we have the strategic plan to assist you.

### **Domain Registration**

We register your online site's domain name on your behalf and renew the registration on an annual basis.

### **CPD Management**

If you have a CPD (Continual Professional Development) Program, we can ease your administration burden by administering your CPD program online, reducing your administrative costs.

**Let us show you what our quality product and service can do for you!**