

What has COPIM built so far?

We have developed a number of systems and infrastructures to facilitate open access book publishing, including:

The Open Book Collective



A charitable organisation governed by its members that brings together open access publishers, libraries, and infrastructure providers to enable sustainable collective funding for open access books without charging authors.



Opening the Future



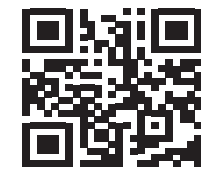
A collective funding model enabling presses to transition to open access publishing by offering their closed-access backlist to libraries for subscription, and using the revenue to fund new open access books. This model is in operation at Liverpool University Press and Central European University Press.



Thoth



An open dissemination system that enables publishers to share their open access books much more widely, by easily creating high-quality open metadata in a wide variety of formats.



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community-owned
open infrastructures
to support
open access
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What is COPIM?

Who we are

COPIM (Community-led Open Publication Infrastructures for Monographs) is a major international partnership of researchers, universities, librarians, open access book publishers and infrastructure providers. Funded by Research England and Arcadia Fund, we are building community-owned, open systems and infrastructures to enable open access book publishing to flourish.

What we do

COPIM is dedicated to equitably funded open access book publishing, without barriers to read or to publish. We are building systems and infrastructures to remove the hurdles that prevent new and existing small- to medium-sized presses from adopting open access for books.

We believe that the infrastructure we use to publish should be owned and governed by the scholarly institutions and initiatives that depend on it, not by commercial organisations. Everything we build is robustly designed to be open, and to be community-owned and led.

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OpenBook
Publishers

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COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

Lancaster
University

Coventry
University

open access,
open infrastructures.

COPIM is a **community-led** research project and incubator. We create and maintain open publishing infrastructures that are inalienably owned by the communities that use them, supporting and bringing together those communities through open access book publishing in all its shapes and forms.

COPIM brings together many different publishing initiatives and encourages and supports those collectively by '**scaling small**'. Instead of standard approaches to organisational growth that tend to flatten community diversity through economies of scale, we nurture scale through intentional collaborations between community-driven projects that promote a biodiverse ecosystem, while also providing resilience through resource sharing and other kinds of collaboration.

Our project has focused on building systems and infrastructures to improve **six key areas**:

- Revenue generation & management: **The Open Book Collective**;
- Sustainable business models: **Opening the Future**;
- Discovery: better integrating open access books into institutional library, digital learning & repository systems with **Thoth**;
- Experimental publishing & reuse: **Experimental Publishing Compendium**;
- Archiving & preserving open access books: **Archiving Toolkit**;
- The robust **community governance** of everything we build.



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