

# Cambridge Journals – Plans and Perspectives; Open Access Initiatives

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- We support Green and Gold Open Access Publishing
- Importance of upholding high standards of peer review – irrespective of the publishing model
- Serving our authors and academic community remains a priority as is ensuring the widest possible access to published material



# Forum of Mathematics: Pi (FMP)

# Forum of Mathematics: Sigma (FMS)

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Two new Open Access maths journals from Cambridge

Author Processing Charges (APCs) will be underwritten for the first 3 years (2013-2015)

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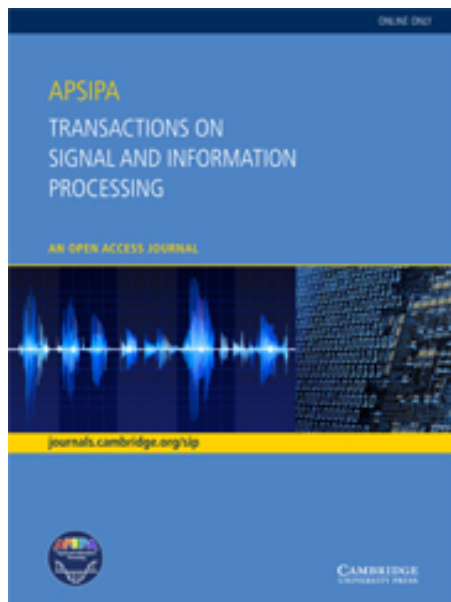
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# Positives of OA

- No barriers to reading research for the end user communities
- Greater visibility of research
- Less cut off from international peers



# Some (mis)perceptions of OA

- There can be a prejudice that "free" material is inferior
- Authors still find it necessary to be able to judge what is a reputable journal to publish in – OA journals are now getting Impact Factors so this is easier



# Challenges of OA

- Could create a bias for accepting papers from researchers in “paying” countries. What about developing countries that cannot afford the APCs?
- How does this model work for Humanities and Social Science journals?



# British Journal of Political Science

- A premier journal in its field
- An internationally renowned editorial board
- A broadly based journal publishing just 4 issues per year
- How does this journal move to OA and maintain this level of quality?



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