

# CREATING A NEW DIAMOND OA JOURNAL



## CIRCULAR MATERIALS AND CHEMISTRY

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### DIAMAS - THE FUTURE OF DIAMOND OA PUBLISHING IN EUROPE AND BEYOND

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#### METHODOLOGY - 3 criteria

- the chosen field had to have an international dimension
- the journal had to fill a gap from both a scholarly and a library economic perspectives
- the journal had to be in STM because while there are many Diamond OA journals in SHS, they are rarer in STM

#### AIMS AND SCOPE - Circular Chemistry

- Designing and recycling new materials based on ecological, environmental and social principles
- Interdisciplinarity - Materials science, economics, and society
- No Diamond OA journal that combines these characteristics

#### STRATEGY

- International, high-quality journal (boards)
- Created with FWB and international researchers
- 3 years - Middle range of Diamond OA journals - 25 articles/year
- 5 years - Leading international journal - 100 articles per year.
- Proof of concept - Contribute to the transition from Gold OA to Diamond OA by proving that an international Diamond OA journal is feasible in the STM sector

#### ETHICS

- In line with the philosophy of Diamond OA
- Authors, board members, reviewers to sign a declaration of no conflict of interest

#### TYPES OF PUBLICATION

- Research articles
- Perspectives and comments
- Reviews
- Preprints
- Editorials

#### PEER REVIEW

- Rigorous peer review guaranteed by the quality of the experts chosen: world's leading specialists in Circularity
- Hybrid system combining single-blind review with open peer review

#### FUNDING

4 types of funding:

- Institutions: FRS-FNRS, the FWB Ministry of Research and universities
- Foundations
- Economic clusters
- Membership open to university libraries and institutions

#### FUNDING

A 5-year business plan covering:

- the editorial office (1 FTE)
- the operational costs (indexing, proofreading and travel expenses)
- editorial board costs



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