

Open Peer Review

OPENNESS,
TRANSPARENCY
and INTERACTION
in Scholarly
Communication

- ▷ WHY: Open Review is a vital aspect of open science
- ▷ AIM: Use OpenAIRE infrastructure to seed experimentation
- ▷ METHOD: Fund small rapid-prototyping projects to:
 - Investigate how open review might integrate with OpenAIRE
 - Provide case studies for wider evaluation
 - Encourage technological experimentation

Open Peer Review can

Increase

- Accountability
- Reusability
- Incentive
- Quality
- Speed

Reduce

- Bias
- Elites
- Wasted effort
- Fraud / Fake Reviews

OpenAIRE 's Open Peer Review Experiments



Enrich Existing Infrastructures

- ▷ OPR plug-in for (DSpace) repositories to convert them into functional evaluation platforms
- ▷ Enables the peer review of any research work deposited in a repository (incl. publications, data, code)
- ▷ Includes open reviews, disclosed identities, reviewer reputation system
- ▷ Complete open source code, with full documentation now on Github:
 - <https://github.com/arvoConsultores/Open-Peer-Review-Module>



From Blogs to Publications

- ▷ Collaboration with the environmental sciences journal *Vertigo*
- ▷ Using the blog platform *hypotheses.org* for open review
- ▷ Using *hypothesis* for open commentary
- ▷ Treating open review as a social rather than a technological problem
- ▷ Human mediation to:
 - Find reviewers and commentators
 - Explain processes and technical aspects
 - Advise authors and referees
 - Help maintain cordiality in debate



Incentivizing Post-Publication Peer Review

- ▷ Make "journal club" post-publication peer reviews public
- ▷ Elevate reviews to the same level as original research
 - Make them citeable (through assignment of DOIs)
 - Preserve them for the long-term (via CLOCKSS)
 - Measure impact via article-level metrics
- ▷ Investigate integration with Zenodo
- ▷ Use the open-source tool Terrier to retrieve metadata