



ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing

2018 shortlist announced

The **Association of Learned & Professional Society Publishers** is delighted to announce the shortlist for the **ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing 2018**, sponsored by MPS.

These awards are open to any new development, product, service or project which is both innovative and of significant value to scholarly communication. The winners must demonstrate excellence in terms of originality, innovation, value to the community, utility and long-term viability. This year's finalists are:

[Annotation for Transparent Inquiry](#) from **Cambridge University Press** in collaboration with **Hypothesis** and the **Qualitative Data Repository**

[Code Ocean](#)

[Dimensions](#) from **Digital Science**

[IP Intrusion Database](#) from **PSI IPV Ltd**

[Journal Publishing Practices and Standards \(JPPS\)](#) from **AJOL** and **INASP**

[Kopernio](#) from **Clarivate Analytics**

This year was a record year for entries to the Awards with **45 submissions** received from 10 countries giving our panel of judges a lot to deliberate over in the shortlisting process. After independently scoring each submission, the panel convened to discuss the merits of each entry from their different perspectives and make their final decision.

Chair of the judging panel, David Sommer, noted, '*The shortlist this year includes an array of innovative solutions that touch on several different aspects of the research cycle including reproducibility, discoverability, integration, ethics and standards. That said, they are united by the fact that they endeavour to address real challenges for the research community and by doing so push our industry forward.*'

Audrey McCulloch, Chief Executive of ALPSP, remarked '*It is great to see that new businesses, established publishers and some flourishing collaborations have all made it on to the shortlist. Innovation is clearly alive and well in many different sectors of our industry. A huge thanks to the Awards Committee for reviewing all 45 submissions and I look forward to seeing the short-listed organizations at the ALPSP Conference in September.*'

The finalists will be presenting their submissions to our panel of judges for further scrutiny and final judgement next month. They will then be invited to showcase their products to industry peers at the **ALPSP Annual Conference**, a key event in the scholarly communications calendar that brings the community together. The winner(s) will be announced at the **Conference Awards Dinner** on Thursday 13 September.

Panel of Judges

David Sommer, *Product Director & Co-founder, Kudos (Chair)*

Andrew Barker, *Associate Director, Library Services, Liverpool John Moores University*

Kivmars Bowling, *Publications Director, Society for Industrial & Applied Mathematics*
Astrid Engelen, *Business Strategist, IOS Press*
Lorraine Estelle, *Project Director, COUNTER*
Richard Gedye, *Director of Outreach Programmes, STM*
Pam Harley, *Senior Consultant, Clarke & Esposito*
Jane Harvell, *Director of Library Services and University Librarian, University of Sussex*
Robert Iannello, *Sales and Marketing Manager, ARM Education Media*
David Smith, *Head of Product Solutions, The IET*

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About ALPSP

The Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers (ALPSP) is the international membership trade body which works to support and represent not-for-profit organizations and institutions that publish scholarly and professional content around the world.

Its membership also encompasses those that partner with and provide services to not-for-profit publishers. ALPSP has nearly 300 members in 30 countries, who collectively publish over half the world's total active journals as well as books, databases and other products. www.alpsp.org

About the ALPSP Conference

The [2018 ALPSP Conference](#) will be held at the Beaumont Estate, Old Windsor in the UK from 12-14 September. The conference is an established and well-regarded forum, attracting international speakers and delegates, in which the community discuss the challenges facing the industry and learn about new initiatives and developments. www.alpsp.org/conference

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