# THE POLICY OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA ON OPEN ACCESS

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The National Library of the Republic of Moldova (BNRM) appreciates and recognizes the strategic importance of Open Access to Information, which aims to disseminate knowledge in line with the concepts promoted by the Open Access Initiative from Budapest (2002), the Bethesda Declaration on Editorial Policy (2003), the Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Field of Science and Humanities (2003), the Code of Science and Innovation of the Republic of Moldova (2004), Compulsory Principles on Public Access to Research Results Funded by the European Research Council (2008), Statement of the Library Association of the Republic of Moldova on Open Access to Information (2009), IFLA Open Access Statement - Clarification of IFLA's Position and Strategy (2011), National Program for Computerization of Culture for 2012-2020 (GD No. 478 from 04.07. 2012), the National Strategy in the Field of Intellectual Property (GD No. 880 from 22.11.2012), the National Strategy for the Development of the Information Society " Digital Moldova 2020" (GD No. 857 from 31.10.2013), the Program "Creating, Developing and Valuing the Digital Content of the Republic of Moldova for 2016-2020 ", the Innovation Strategy of Republic of Moldova for 2013-2020 "Innovations for Competitiveness" (GD No. 952 from 27.11.2013), the Lyon Declaration on Access to Information and Development (2014). "Open Access" means open, free access to scientific content, with limited copyright and licensing restrictions.

The National Library of the Republic of Moldova recognizes the strategic importance of the new way of organizing and conducting researches, based on cooperation and new ways of disseminating the results, knowledge through digital tools, networks, media – i.e. Open Science.

The National Library of the Republic of Moldova is interested in promoting and implementing the Open Access and Open Science paradigms, by engaging in the dissemination of research results in the field of Library and Information Sciences (LIS), encouraging librarians to express their support and publish trough Open Access. Publications in the field of LIS will have an enhanced visibility, impact and considerable prestige in the community.

BNRM assumes responsibility for:

- Dissemination of the results of successful research and experiences in the field of LIS, incorporated in publications based on Open Access paradigms

- Encouraging the authors (librarians, researchers, PhD students, and teaching staff) to demonstrate Open Access and Open Science support by publishing articles in the journal "Magazin Bibliologic" and placing them in the Subject Repository in the field of LIS

- Contributing to the promotion / implementation of Open Access and Open Science paradigms.

*BNRM Strategies regarding Open Access:*

1. Taking into account the national and international experience, the implementation of Open Access at BNRM will be done through two complementary models:

- archiving in the Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS

- indexing the scientific-practical journal "Magazin Biblilogic" in the International Register of DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals) and other international databases.

2. In order to develop digital content in Open Access, BNRM will create the Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS, which will integrate papers elaborated / edited by researchers from BNRM and other institutions.

3. The Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS will operate according to the Rules of the Organization and Functioning approved by the Scientific Council of BNRM.

4. Based on the agreement concluded between BNRM and the authors, they accept the publication in Open Access. BNRM has granted rights provided by Creative Commons license that allows others to distribute, combine, arrange and create other works based on the author's works, even for commercial purposes, as long as they credit the work (CC BY Attribution License):



5. The Open Access Policy mainly refers to scientific articles, encouraging authors to include other types of publications: monographs, textbooks, PhD theses and others.

6. The authors are encouraged to publish in publishing houses/magazines, which allow archiving in the Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS. If the publishing house/ magazine, does not allow archiving the work in the Repository, the authors are encouraged to present the bibliographic identification elements of the paper (bibliographic description) and the abstract.

7. It is envisaged to adopt the peer-review process of the publications in order to ensure their quality. The review will be carried out in accordance with the Rules of the Organization and Functioning of the Repository.

8. In order to ensure broad access and promotion of e-content in the field of LIS, the following will be done:

- The Open Access institutional policy will be integrated as an institutional mandate in the ROARMAP (Registry of Open Access Repositories Mandates and Policies http://roarmap.eprints.org/ ) which will authorize Open Access to the results of scientific research

- The Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS will be registered in the International Register of Open Access Repositories (ROAR), the Directory of Open Access Repositories (http://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opendoar ), and National Bibliometric Instrument (https://ibn.idsi.md/ )

- The scientific-practical journal "Magazin Bibliologic" will be indexed in the International Register DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals - https://doaj.org/ ) and other international databases.

9. Deputy Directors for Research and Development in Librarianship and Computerization of BNRM are responsible for implementing and improving this Policy.

10. BNRM is responsible for initiating and implementing the procedure of Open Access to Information within the Repository, for work with the authors of BNRM and libraries, educational institutions and others to promote and comply with legal requirements.

11. The "Development and Research in Librarianship and Information Sciences" Section of BNRM will elaborate the Rules for the Organization and Functioning of the Subject (National) Repository in the field of LIS, will ensure its completeness and functionality in cooperation with the BNRM Information Technology Division and will elaborate an annually report presented to the Scientific Council of BNRM.

12. The institutional policy on Open Access to Information has immediate effect; it enters into force on the date of approval, and will be revised as necessary.

***The Impact of the Open Access Institutional Policy consists on:***
- Removing barriers to access to publications in librarianship and information sciences
- Increasing professional e-communication, raising transparency and making it more efficient
- Extend the possibilities of publishing / visualizing / promoting the results of the researches in the field of LIS
- Increasing the number of citations of the publications of researchers in the field of LIS
- Support the continuous professional development
- Increasing the significance of the library as a research and innovation institution
- Saving the professional time of the LIS researchers.

By implementing the Open Access Policy to Information, BNRM will essentially contribute to the promotion of theoretical and practical researches in the field of LIS, innovative processes and performance in libraries aimed for increasing the visibility and recognition of the value of the library institution.

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