How to help IPSPs become more sustainable

- It is vital that universities, libraries, research and other public institutions continue to support Diamond OA publishing. Permanent government funding, including national research funders, should become established for all institutional publishers but also to support international services and infrastructures whose work benefits many. Infrastructures are the key area to transform practices at a large scale and they minimise the cost and strengthen small institutional publishers and service providers. While a lot of them do not want to scale up, infrastructures benefit from being widely shared tools at a national or international level.

- Institutional publishers and service providers have a clear view of the challenges they face, the most important being the need for more financial resources, the lack of stability and permanence in personnel and the dependence on parent organisations. At the same time, they share a vision of a Diamond OA funding landscape where the author-pays model is not a precondition. When providing time-limited grants, funders should relieve administrative burdens as much as possible to make it easier for publishers to apply for grants and handle them.

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- International funding should be made available to those who have no support from their local environment or national policies.

- Stakeholders who have a key interest in Open Access (e.g. for those setting Open Access and Open Science policies or seeking to meet Open Access, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging and the Sustainable Development Goals) should contribute to the funding of Diamond OA.

- National policymakers, public institutions and research funders should support strategic development and investments in the Diamond OA sector by developing new and existing services, i.e. funding operations as well as development. This should be done through recurring and longer-term funding programmes.

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- The work carried out for Diamond institutional publishing should be rewarded since recognition is a prerequisite and a restituent resource for its perpetuation and growth. Any action that will bring greater recognition, dedicated budgets, and support to Diamond publishing is highly recommended.