

## OPEN ACCESS GUIDELINES

### for TECNIOspring PLUS & Tecniospring INDUSTRY

The present Open Access Guidelines aims at summarising all the **Open Access Publication rules** described in the H2020 Online Manual ([https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/cross-cutting-issues/open-access-data-management/open-access\\_en.htm](https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/cross-cutting-issues/open-access-data-management/open-access_en.htm)) and make them easier to read and apply for Tecniospring beneficiary entities and researchers.

The Open Access Publications rules **must be obeyed by all Tecniospring projects**, which includes:

- **TECNIOspring PLUS**: all projects with reference TECSPR16, TECSPR17, TECPR18 and ACE005
- **Tecniospring INDUSTRY**: all projects with reference TECSPR19, ACE003 and ACE026

### DEFINITION OF THE OPEN ACCESS OBLIGATIONS

**All peer-reviewed articles** related to the project results **must be in open access** (free of charge, online access for any user) and must be compliant with the following requirements:

- The publication (at least the post-print version) **must be accessible under either**:
  - **Green open access**: publication is self-archived in a repository and accessible immediately or after an embargo period, or
  - **Gold open access**: publication is accessible the day of its publication and the Beneficiary pays a fee to give free access to the readers;
- In case of **embargo** periods, the duration **cannot exceed 6 months after the date of publication** (or 12 months for Social Sciences and Humanities);
- Regardless of the type of open access (green or gold), all publications must be **deposited in a "repository for scientific publications"**. A repository is a digital archive that is used to collect and preserve information, such as publications and data. Personal webpages, a project website[s] or a research social network (e.g ResearchGate) are not considered to be repositories (you may find some examples in "Repositories" section below). For Gold open access, there must be 2 links (to the repository and to the publication). **No specific electronic format** is required, as long as it is machine readable.
- All publications** must include the **acknowledgment of the EU funding** by including the following **exact text**:
  - For **TECNIOspring PLUS**: "*This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No 712949 (TECNIOspring PLUS)*".
  - For **Tecniospring INDUSTRY**: "*This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No 801342 (Tecniospring INDUSTRY)*".

If inserting the correct acknowledgment text is not possible directly through the publisher, at least the **above exact text on the EU funding must be included under the repository link.**

- e) Any communication or dissemination of results must indicate that it reflects only the author's view and that the Agency is not responsible for any use that may be made of the information it contains.

The Tecniospring management team will check every publication to see that they obey the above open access obligations. If it appears that these **rules are not respected**, all the presented **dissemination/open access costs**, as well as all **costs related to the publication** (participation to a conference, dissemination, etc.) will be deemed ***ineligible for funding***.

**Other types of scientific publications**, such as non-peer-reviewed articles as well as monographs, book chapters, conference proceedings and 'grey literature' (i.e. informally published material not having gone through a standard publishing process, e.g. reports), are not covered by the open access obligation. However, to ensure access to as much scientific information as possible, you are also encouraged to provide open access to these other types of scientific publications, whenever it is possible. In any case, those publications must include the exact text on the EU funding as described above and the disclaimer excluding Agency responsibility.

## REPOSITORIES

Here are some repositories where to publish your articles and papers:

[OpenAIRE](#)<sup>1</sup> is a European project supporting Open Science. It offers advice on open access.

[Zenodo](#) is another repository that specifically targets data and publications from EU projects.

[Open Research Europe](#) is the European Commission's open access platform that offers researchers a publishing venue to share their results and insights rapidly and facilitate open, constructive research discussion.

**Most journals** (check [here](#) or on the journal website) will allow you to deposit a copy of your published article in a repository, sometimes with a restricted (embargo) access period. Some publishers allow authors to retain their copyright via an author addendum.<sup>2</sup>

Feel free to deposit a copy of your peer-reviewed publications in any repository which you think is the most appropriate regarding your subject and publication (for instance a thematic or institutional repository).

<sup>1</sup> The OpenAIRE infrastructure is funded by the EC to support its OA policy and rules.

<sup>2</sup> A model addendum to publication agreements in order support compliance with Horizon 2020 embargo periods can be found in the [Guidelines to the Rules on Open Access to Scientific Publications](#).