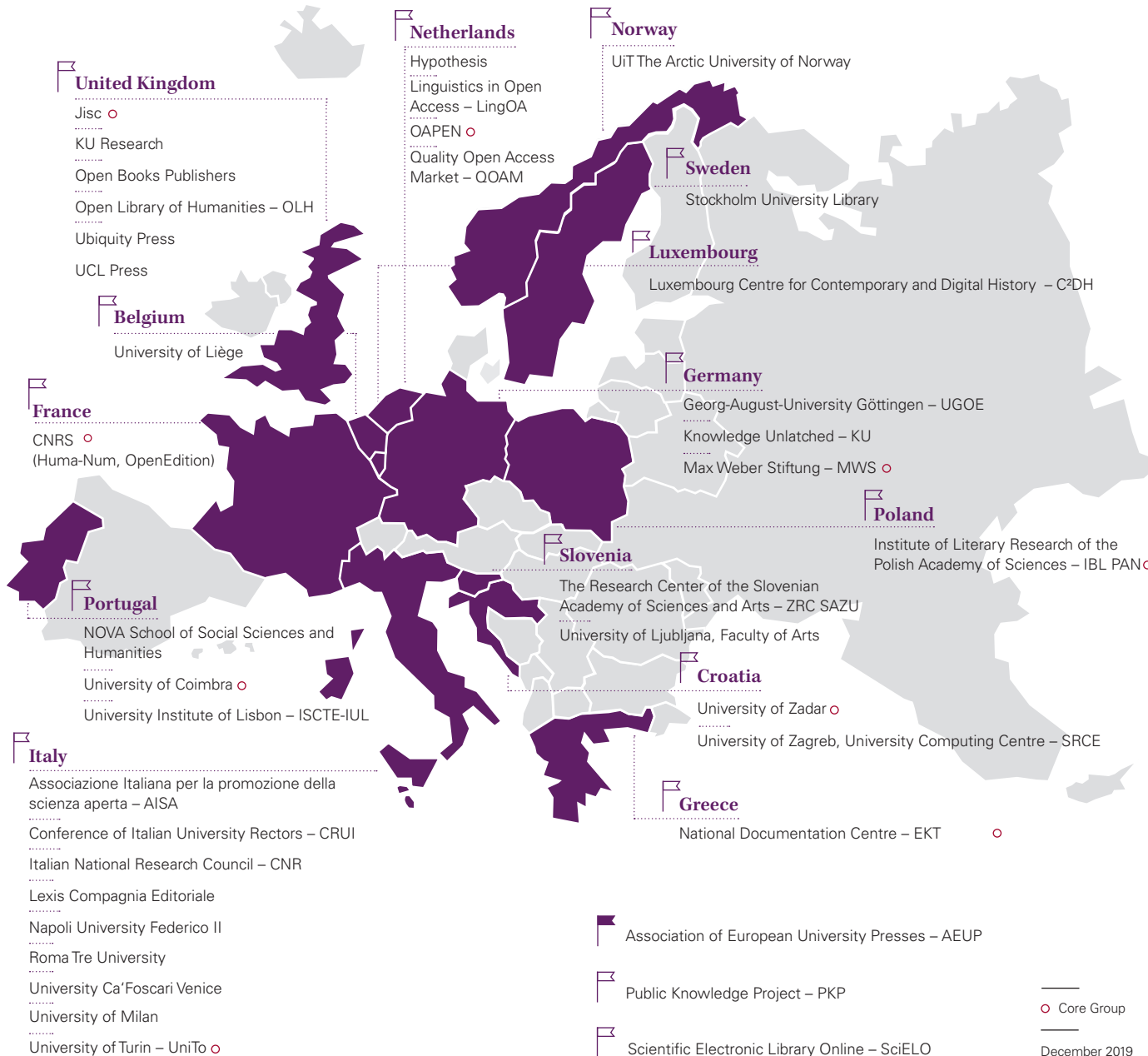


OPERAS gathers 40 organizations from 16 countries and is led by a 9 member core group. OPERAS is coordinated from France by OpenEdition and Huma-Num.



Open scholarly communication for social sciences and humanities

OPERAS – distributed Research Infrastructure in Europe

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OPERAS is the Research Infrastructure supporting open scholarly communication in the social sciences and humanities (SSH) in the European Research Area. Its mission is to coordinate and federate resources in Europe to efficiently address the scholarly communication needs of European researchers in the field of SSH.

OPERAS coordinates services, practices and technology across main actors in the SSH scholarly communication in Europe

- to provide joint services;
- to mutualize activities of strategic scholarly communication actors and stakeholders (research institutions, libraries, platforms, publishers, funders) in their transition to open science;
- to develop common good practice standards for digital open access publishing, infrastructures, services, editorial qualities, business models and funding streams;
- to explore alternative measurements of impact in the SSH;
- and to offer sustained training along common standards to researchers and other stakeholders on all of the above.

OPERAS' final aim is

to make Open Science a reality for research in the SSH. We want to achieve a scholarly communication system where knowledge produced in the SSH benefits researchers, academics, and students fully and widely, and where it also benefits the whole society across Europe and worldwide.

OPERAS Services

OPERAS currently develops five services, that address the requirements of SSH researchers. These needs have been identified in the terminated projects OPERAS-D and HIRMEOS.

Discovery Service (TRIPLE project)

will provide a single point to discover multilingual SSH open scholarly resources (data, publications, and other researchers' profiles and projects) which are currently scattered across local repositories. Its operation is planned for 2023.

Certification Service (HIRMEOS project)

The Certification Service, operated by DOAB, provides a single access point to the list of certified peer reviewed monographs available in Open Access in the world. The service operates as a quality insurance service for the benefit of readers and the service providers working with them, such as the libraries. It currently operates as a beta service. The full release is planned for 2021.

Metrics Service (HIRMEOS project)

The Metrics Service collects usage and impact metrics related to Open Access monographs from many different sources and allows for their access, display and analysis from a single access point. It currently operates as a beta service. The full release is planned for 2021.

Publishing Service Portal (PSP) (OPERAS-P project)

PSP collects the publishing and scholarly communication services that OPERAS members offer in OPERAS and gives access to their description from a single access portal. The PSP beta release is planned for 2020.

Research for Society Service (COESO project, currently not funded)

The Service is designed to be a collaborative platform between SSH researchers and socio-economic actors. On the platform, collaborative research teams will find resources such as collaborative tools, funding opportunities, and a matchmaking service to foster and support their desire to collaborate on their research project. It currently exists as a pilot project funded by the French Ministry of Culture.

How to get involved?




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Take part in a Special Interest Group:

- Advocacy
- Best Practices
- Common Standards
- Multilingualism
- Open Access
- Business Models
- Platforms and Services
- Tools, Research and Development

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