

Those who attend workshop B3 will participate in three small discussions groups:

“Diamond OA publishing – an option?” - Nino Künzli, Co-EiC, IJPH

"Diamond Open Access" means Open Access without any fees for authors. The SSPH+ fee waiver programs are only one step in this direction. Should Diamond OA become the general model for the SSPH+ journals? What are the obstacles, challenges, and conflicts? What are the solutions? Let us share and discuss visions, concerns and experiences.

“Public Health Reviews Strategy” - Sarah Mantwil, Co-EiC, PHR

Public Health Reviews publishes policy briefs and review articles. It received its first Impact Factor in 2023 (5.5) but publishes a far smaller number of manuscripts each year than IJPH. The purpose of this group is to discuss the future direction of PHR with one of its Editors-in-Chief. For example, should PHR promote different article types or areas? Could submission numbers be higher?

“Challenges to Quality in OA publishing” - Franck Vazquez, Director of Partnerships, Frontiers

The scientific publishing industry is facing various challenges including the growth of “paper mills” and threats to the quality and independence of peer review. What are the most important challenges to quality for SSPH+ scientists and how should open access publishers respond? Join us to discuss these issues with a senior colleague from the SSPH+ journals’ publisher.