



## What is new in the research policy bill 2017-2020?

Concerning open access the government says that the adaption to open access to research results, including scientific publications, artistic works and research data should be fully implemented within ten years. It is a joint responsibility for universities and research funders, to ensure that this target is met. The Government considers that the Research Council should have a national coordination responsibility for continued work on open access to research data. The Royal Library will have the corresponding responsibility for scientific publications. The Research Council, in consultation with the National Archives and other relevant authorities, is suggested to follow up the archiving and long term preservation of research data at universities in order to develop this work.

### Resource allocation

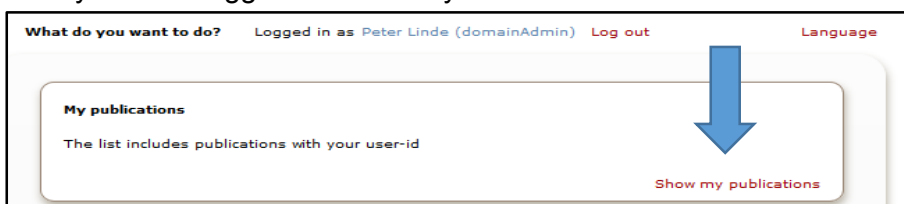
The Government intends to decide in the Budget for 2018 on the question of a possible redeployment of funds allocated to research. The government intends to allocate the bulk of new funding for research and postgraduate education based on the current two quality indicators (publications/citations and external funding) and cooperation with the surrounding society, which will be given the same weight as the old quality indicators. The government estimates that a new system could affect the allocation of resources at the earliest in the Budget for 2020. In the period until then the government intends to allocate resources on the basis of the existing systems.

## SUHF invites to a conference on the opportunities and challenges of open science – February 28th

“Open science has the potential to increase the quality, impact and benefits of science and to accelerate advancement of knowledge by making it more reliable, more efficient and accurate, better understandable by society and responsive to societal challenges, and has the potential to enable growth and innovation through reuse of scientific results by all stakeholders at all levels of society, and ultimately contribute to growth and competitiveness of Europe” (Council of the European Union). Participants from the department of education, SUHF, the Research Council, the National Archive, the Royal Library, researchers and experts will contribute to the program. Invitation: <http://www.suhf.se/konferenser-seminarier/oppnen-vetenskap-28-februari-2017>

## Check your publications for the BTH annual report

Soon it is time to submit the publication statistics for the BTH annual report. Please check in DiVA by the last of December, that all your publications for 2016 are entered. Use the link “show my publications” after you have logged in to list all your records.



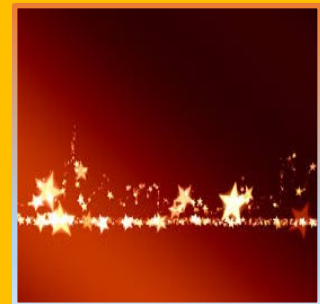
## About the newsletter

This newsletter will cover information about scientific publishing with focus on Open access and BTH issues.

It will also give some information about research funding, not on specific calls but regarding more general issues in connection to funding of research projects.

The Library and Grants Office at BTH cooperates in the production of the Newsletter.

**Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year**



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