**New Elsevier agreement 2020 – 2022**

The Swedish universities' negotiations with Elsevier are finished. BTH joins the new 3-year consortium agreement. It is valid from 1 January 2020, but we will have access to recent articles (from 1 July 2018) in Elsevier's ScienceDirect database shortly.

The new journal agreement with Elsevier is a reading and publishing agreement that combines unlimited open access publishing and reading rights.

For BTH, the new Elsevier agreement means:
- Unlimited open access publication in Science Direct Freedom Collection (incl. Journals from learned societies), Cell Press and all other open access journals.
- Only articles submitted to the publisher after January 1, 2020 are covered by the agreement. Fees related to the printed journal, e.g. page charges or color charges, are not covered by the agreement.
- Reading rights to the Science Direct Freedom Collection.
- Open access publication of 100 articles in Cell Press hybrid journals, which is expected to cover the entire consortium's publication in these journals.
- Hybrid magazines in The Lancet magazine family (incl. The Lancet) and certain titles from learned societies are not covered by the agreement.
- CC-BY license (or other open license based on the author's wishes)
- Elsevier opens the access to read the contents of the "Freedom Collection" as soon as possible after an organization announces that it is joining the new agreement.

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### Please Respect Licentiate Print Deadlines!

This autumn the library has been exceptionally burdened with late appointments for printing licentiate dissertations. The decision by the deans last year that “At least three weeks before the public defense both a printed and a digital version of the dissertation must be published” have not been respected by some authors and supervisors. This means increased stress both for the authors, the library- and the printing staff. There is a risk that this will result in unnecessary mistakes and irritation. So please respect the three weeks rule! Thanks!

### About the Newsletter

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

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### Dissertations defended

4th quarter 2019

- "Heterogeneous Knowledge Sharing in eHealth: Modeling, Validation and Application" by Yang Guo - DIDA
- "Software Engineering in Start-up Companies" by Eriks Klotins – DIPT
- "The New Production of Politics: Between the No Longer and the Not Yet" by Elisabeth Gulbrandsen – DITE
- "Inviting Community into the Development of Globally Sustainable Food Systems" by Liesel Carlsson – TISU
- "Evaluating Success Factors of Health Information Systems" by Shahryar Eivazadeh - THIA

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**The Guidelines for Data Management will be revised**

Based on protest from researchers in Software Engineering and Mechanical Engineering, the guidelines for Data Management are revoked. They will be revised and made more explicit especially when it comes to expressing how to deal with data shared or owned by commercial partners. A new version will be announced as soon as it is in place. As for now the guidelines are revoked.

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Happy Season Greetings!!!