The RightsLink network effect

More than 30 of the world’s leading publishers rely on RightsLink to manage APC workflows and a growing number of transformative agreements, creating a powerful RightsLink Network Effect that drives collaboration, partnership and innovation in the evolving scholarly publishing ecosystem.

The value of the RightsLink Network Effect goes beyond publishers and is also felt by authors, funders and institutions who trust the solution’s familiar user experience and flexible workflow.

RightsLink for Scientific Communications

The market-leading solution for scholarly publishing

As global initiatives put new pressure on the scholarly publishing industry, organizations of all sizes and disciplines are racing to build and strengthen existing Open Access (OA) strategies. Publishers are looking for solutions that reflect the evolving demands of transformative agreements in a changing marketplace, simplify editorial and payment workflows, enable testing new business models and update or replace legacy systems to reflect the needs of a new reality.

CCC can help with RightsLink for Scientific Communications. A scalable, flexible way to manage publication charges and transformative agreements with institutions and funders, RightsLink is the industry-leading cloud-based solution that makes it easy to collect author charges and model and manage Read and Publish and other transformative agreements.
Transformative agreement management tools

RightsLink for Scientific Communications is built with initiatives like Plan S and Horizon 2020 in mind. Designed with maximum flexibility, RightsLink is an author- and institution-ready solution that helps publishers quickly model and support a variety of deals, from the simple to the complex. Created by experts in OA publishing and licensing, this sophisticated solution addresses author, funder, institution and publisher needs for transformative agreements that include Read and Publish, Publish and Read, Membership, Deposit and more. RightsLink can support transformative agreements at the individual, consortia and national level. In response to evolving publisher business models, RightsLink uses data to deliver a sophisticated workflow infrastructure.

Open access publication charge management

RightsLink enables you to automate the collection of OA publication charges of all types as well as submission, page, color, custom cover, reprint and fees for other value-added services. This gives publishers more flexibility to diversify, test, build and support new business models while streamlining billing and collections.

Advances, flexible reporting

RightsLink delivers the most advanced set of reporting data on the market today, including a broad set of reports “out of the box” and supports extensive publisher- and deal-specific customization.

Touch-free workflow for transformative agreements

RightsLink for Scientific Communications’ recently introduced enhanced support for Read and Publish, Publish and Read, Pure OA and other transformative agreements with a new touch-free workflow that removes the author, and optionally the institution or funder, from the APC payment and funding workflow. This new workflow helps eliminate the administrative burden for researchers and reduces the risk of Open Access publication delays under Read and Publish models.

Agreement-aware workflow support

RightsLink enables robust publisher workflows through a suite of tools to configure, manage and track transformative agreements with institutions and/or funders.
Author-aware workflow

While some publishers operate in an author-agnostic workflow, others rely on workflows that put the author at the center of the process. RightsLink can be configured to reflect standard and custom author, institution and manuscript metadata to pre-populate order details and terms that reflect the appropriate transformative agreement.

Market-leading customer service

RightsLink sets the standard in the market with its award-winning customer service for authors, publishers, funders and institutions. Authors have one-click access to an experienced RightsLink Customer Service professional well-versed in OA, author charges, manuscript workflows and more. The optional collections service offers publishers a 98% success rate on collecting overdue fees — unmatched in the industry.

API- and data-driven

RightsLink uses industry-standard metadata to create author-, institution- and funder-centric workflows, enabling seamless integration with leading submission systems as well as proprietary applications.

Data security & privacy

When it comes to data security and privacy, publishers count on RightsLink. CCC adheres to the rigorous Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) and has achieved certification to the International Organization of Standards (ISO) 27001 Information Security Management System (ISMS), which reflects the implementation of systems that manage data confidentiality, integrity and availability. CCC has also completed its most recent System and Organization Controls (SOC) 2 (Type2) audit with no exceptions, qualified for the EU/US Privacy Shield recertification and obtained a Swiss/US Privacy recertification.

Open access & consulting expertise

CCC is staffed by experts in rights licensing, scholarly publishing, research funding, information technology and data management. The company has deep knowledge of offsetting and transformative agreements and their nuances and provides expert guidance on mapping and managing transformative agreements. A team of consultants and professional services staff helps publishers with complex custom mapping, specialized reporting and strategic application integration and development.

About CCC

A pioneer in voluntary collective licensing, Copyright Clearance Center (CCC) helps organizations integrate, access, and share information through licensing, content, software, and professional services. With expertise in copyright and information management, CCC and its subsidiary RightsDirect collaborate with stakeholders to design and deliver innovative information solutions that power decision-making by helping people integrate and navigate data sources and content assets.

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Contact your CCC team to explore how RightsLink for Scientific Communications can help your organization.

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