

Open access of national language journals in Finland

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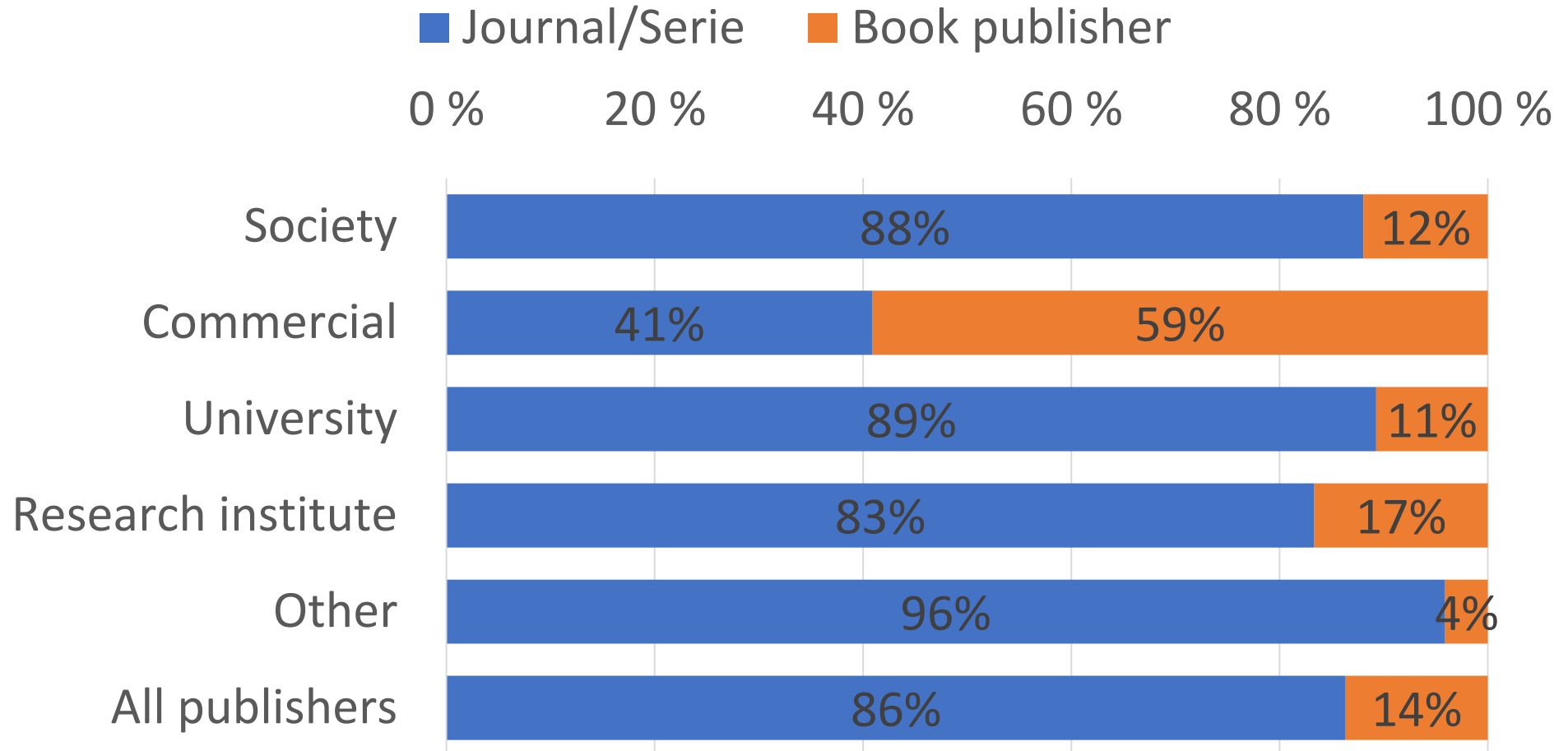
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Finnish peer-reviewed channels

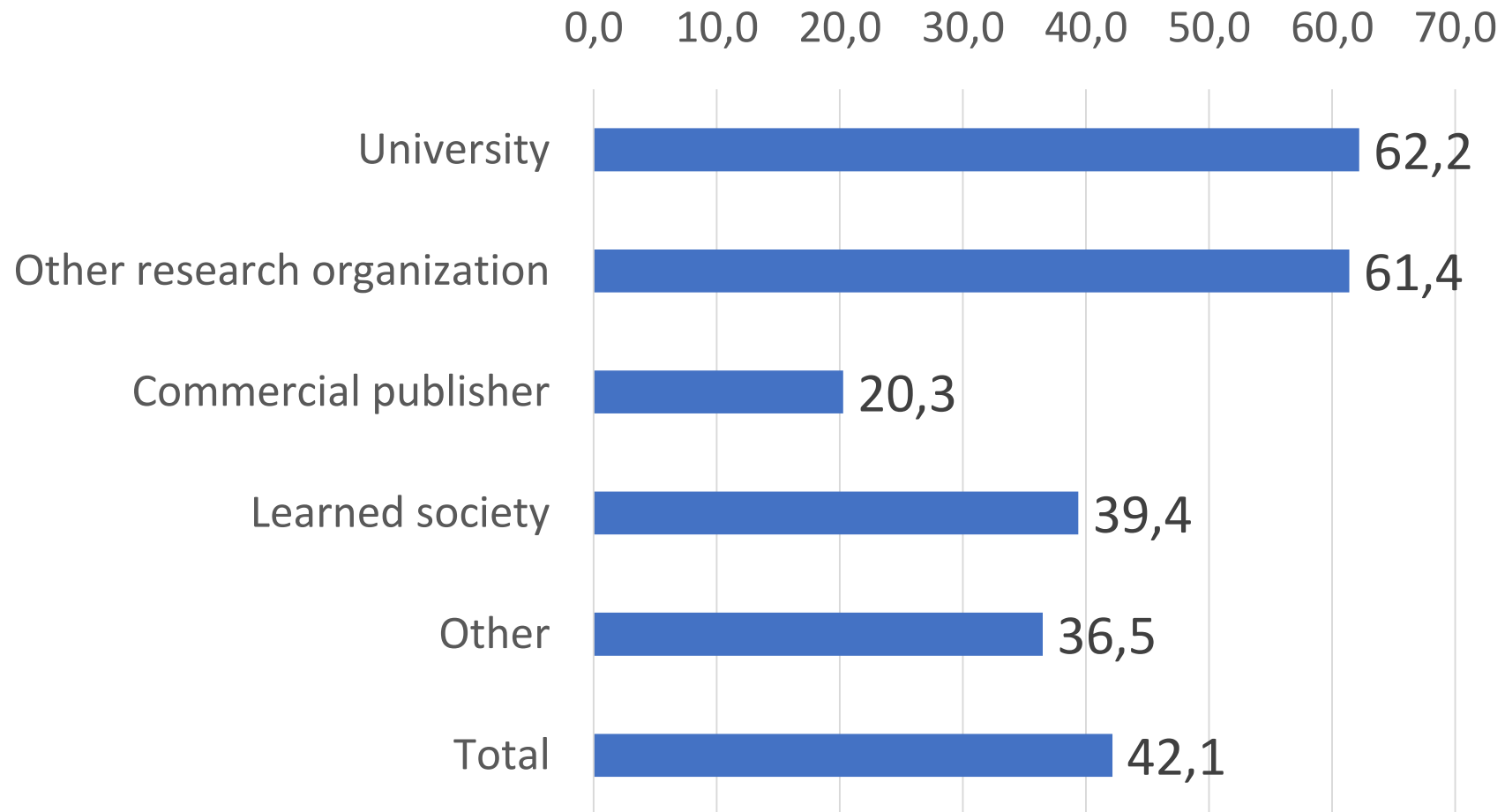
(some in other than national languages)

Publisher	n	%
Learned society	251	62,4
University	56	13,9
Research institute	24	6,0
Commercial	22	5,5
Other	49	12,2
Total	402	100

Publication channel types (N= 402)



Share of OA (gold, bronze, hybrid, green) of Finnish outputs 2016-2017 (n=4969)



More numbers & information pieces

- More than 100 of peer review channels are journals
- About 8 % of peer reviewed articles published by researchers in Finnish universities are published in Finnish journals (big differences between fields: from 1.4 % (engineering) to 40.5 % (arts & humanities) 2011-17)
- Considerable number already published OA or delayd OA. Currently there is no reliable data beyond anecdotal information on the financial effects of transition from traditional to OA publishing.
- Tentative discussions point to the obvious direction that financial damage is taken by the Finnish publishers

Sustainable solution for Finnish peer-reviewed journals? (Kotilava –project)

1) Technical solution? (also needs funding!)

- *platform* for publishing: set up, its technical maintenance, development and training for users (information sharing & PR)

- **journal.fi** (& "monograph.fi" – pilot hopefully 2019)

- Offered – not enforced, though the offer is tempting!

2) Finances for publishers?

- How to compensate loss of sales: subscriptions, member fees etc.?

- Kotilava -project and near future

Journal.fi opened in January 2017 Based on OJS-software (Open Journals System)



Uusimmat numerot



AFinLA-e: Soveltavan kielitieteen tutkimuksia
NRO 9 (2016)



Tieteessä tapahtuu
VOL 35 NRO 1 (2017)



Signum
VOL 48 NRO 4 (2016)



Studia Celtica Fennica
VOL 12 (2015)



Tiede ja ase
VOL 74 (2016)



JÄLKI - Yhteiskunnallisen ja kulttuurisen eläintutkimuksen jurnaali
VOL 3 (2017)

Viikon luetuimmat

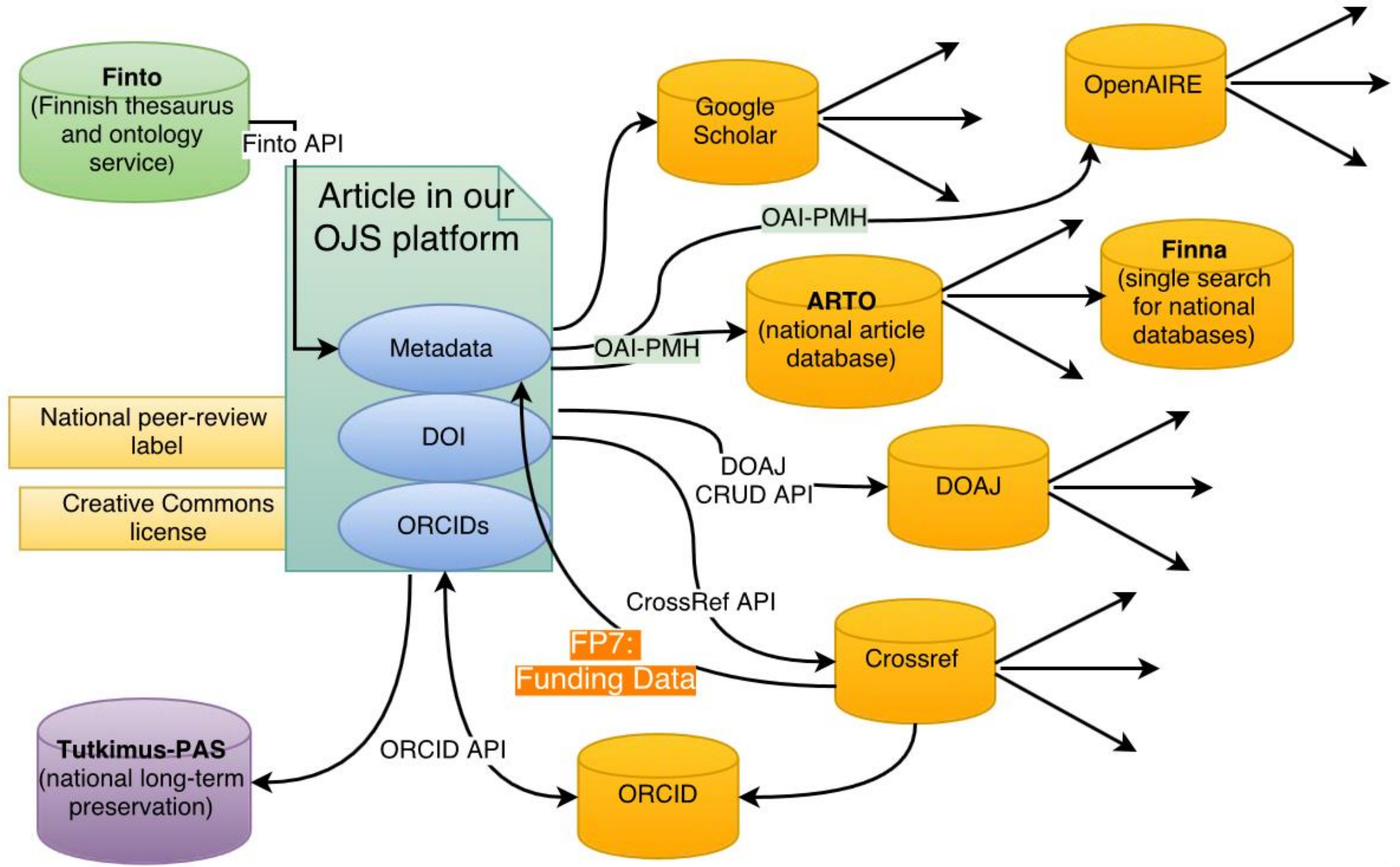
Miksi ilmastonmuutoksesta on niin vaikea puhua?

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Ajankohtaista

Journal.fi on uusi tiedelehtien toimittamiseen ja julkaisemiseen tarkoitettu palvelu, jota ylläpitää Tieteellisten seuran



Journal.fi

- *Federation of Finnish Learned Societies* takes care of maintenance, development, training and information sharing and (to some extent) also PR (funded by the Ministry of Education and Culture)
- **Statistics**
 - 75 journals and yearbooks (close to 60 without embargo)
 - 2 700 issues published
 - 34 000 articles published
 - Articles opened 2 340 000 times since opening

Funding proposal for sustainable transition to OA publishing for Finnish journals (by Kotilava)

- National peer-review channels are run by non-profit-making organisations (budget of 20K is already an exception, less than 10K is norm)
- Funding is meant for immediate open access (platinum)
- The amount of funding needed based on APCs but would have been paid by a consortium instead of publishing researchers or their institutes
 - Based on real expenses of publishing journals (numbers from financial statements of journals/background organisations)
 - Not including value of voluntary work, print form related costs eliminated, possible e-form specific costs neglected and an additional reduction (negotiated with publishers) included
 - Included funding for administering the structure

Funding proposal for sustainable transition to OA publishing for Finnish journals (Kotilava)

- According to calculations this model costs about 600 000 € nationally
- However, this won't cover all the expenses for the journals: they need other income as well (total budget for all currently app. 2 000 000 €).
- Costs for consortium member would have depended on the number of articles published by researchers from member organisation
- Some of the potential members of consortium showed green light but eventually it was rejected

What is at stake at national level when pressure for OA publishing grows?

- Simply put: the future of publishing in national languages, but important concern is also, how to keep locally important research alive? (e.g. research on Finnish history, politics, society, language, culture etc.)
- If national peer review-channels will perish then also research on locally important topics and research from locally significant perspectives will suffer.

Next?

- Learning from this seminar!
- Support from national open access publishing strategy?
- New national funding model for the universities will give 1.2 weight to OA publications compared to non OA
- Developing consortium model further or something completely different?

THANK YOU!