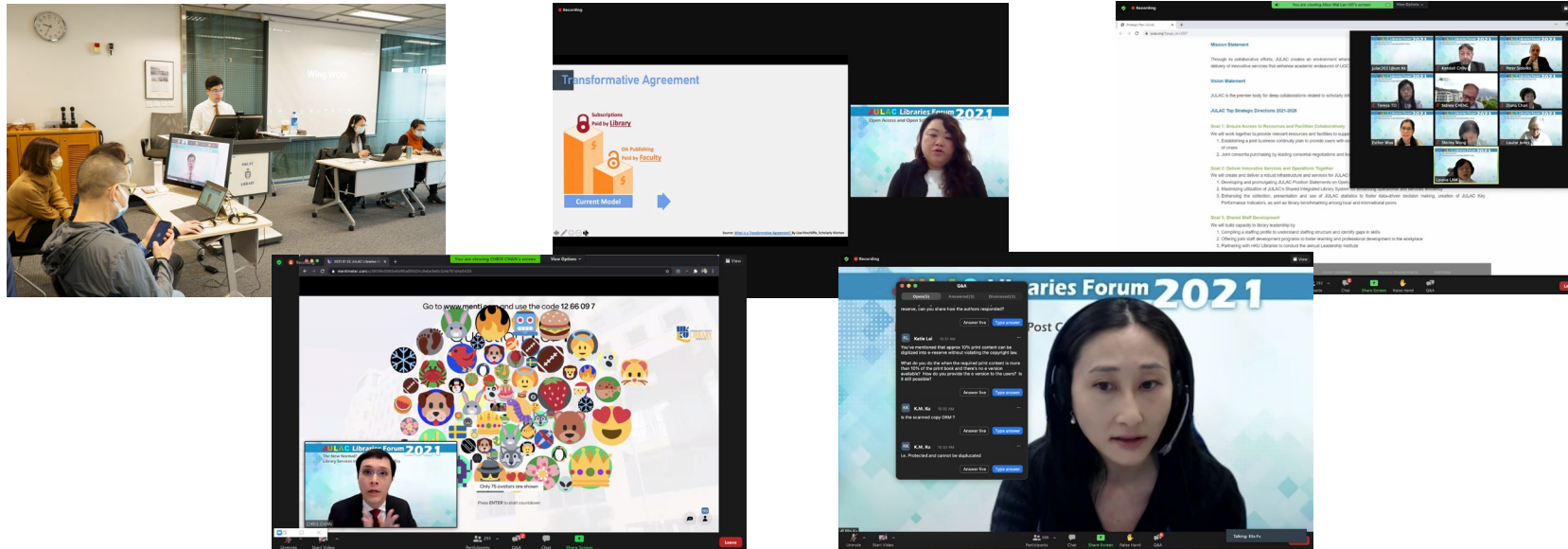


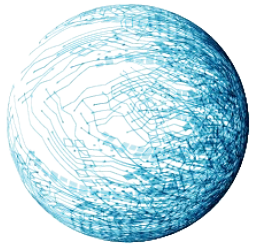
Overview of JULAC Activities

Dr Shirley Wong
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2024/25 JULAC Chair

2021 JULAC Libraries Forum

- (21 Jan) Open Access and Open Scholarship
- (22 Jan) The New Normal? Libraries services in the post covid-19 era

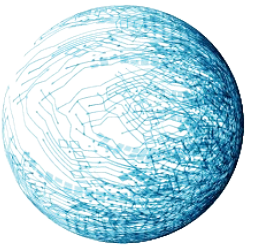




Significant Change in Leadership

- A large number of departures and retirements of professionals in JULAC libraries in the past few years
- 5 out of the 8 JULAC Directors were appointed after the last JULAC Libraries Forum in January 2021

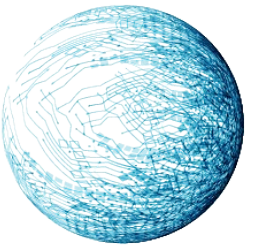




Support Open Access Publishing

- JULAC Position Statement on Open Scholarship (Jun 2022)
https://www.julac.org/?page_id=7490
- Achievements: As of Dec 2024, there are 13 JULAC Transformative Agreements (TAs) / OA consortiums, with one of them for OA books

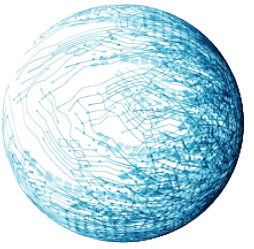




JULAC TAs / OA Consortiums (1/2)

- i. Cambridge University Press (2021–2023, 2024–2026)
- ii. Karger Publishers (2021–2023, 2024–2026)
- iii. Portland Press (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- iv. Wiley (2023-2025)
- v. The Company of Biologists (2023-2025)
- vi. Microbiology Society (2023-2025)
- vii. ACM Open (Dec 2023-2026)
- viii. Springer Nature Group (Springer Journals) (2024-2026)
- ix. Rockefeller University Press (2024-2026)





JULAC TAs / OA Consortiums (2/2)

New in 2025

- x. Elsevier (2025-2027)
- xi. De Gruyter (S2O) (2025)



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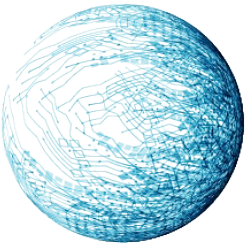
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Other OA consortiums

- i. SCOAP³ (Sponsoring Consortium for Open Access Publishing in Particle Physics) (2014-2027)
- ii. JSTOR Path to Open (eBooks) (2023-2026)



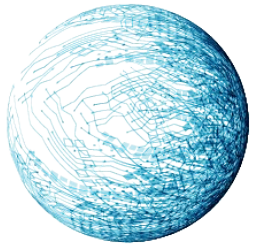
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New Ideas / Initiatives

- New Digital Initiatives Committee
- Task Force for Enhancement of JULAC Statistics
- Responses to the public consultations about Copyright Ordinance and GenAI

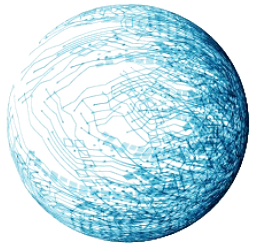




Shared Staff Development

- Joint Annual Library Leadership Institute (Jan 2022)
- Capacity Building Workshop (Jun 2022 – Jun 2023)
- Greater Bay Area Study Trip (Jan 2024)

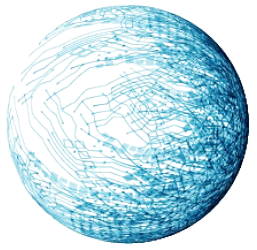




Moving Forward (1/2)

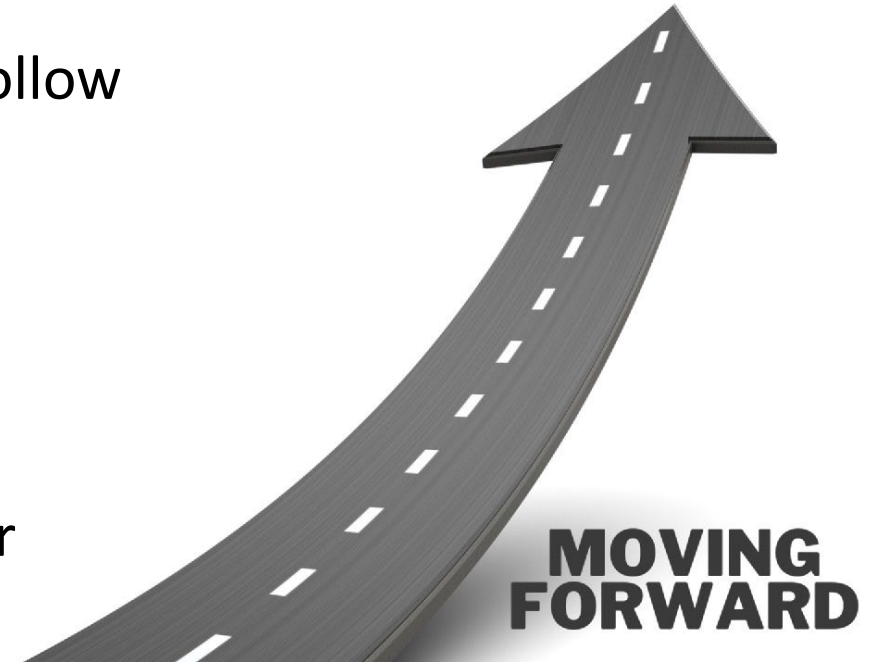
- 2024 JULAC Libraries Forum
- UX training by Andy Priestner (Jan 2025)
- Visit of IFLA's Library Buildings & Equipment Section + Half-day seminar on "optimizing limited space to provide excellent library services" (April 2025)





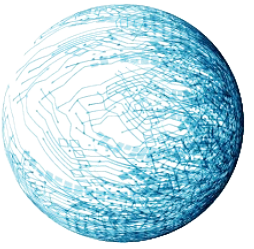
Moving Forward (2/2)

- Preparation for RAE 2026
 - Request publishers to add RAE clause in license agreement of all JULAC consortiums if feasible
 - Confirmed with UGC that the copyright clearance arrangements for RAE 2026 will follow the same practice of RAE 2020 (May 2024)
 - Updated Major publishers list for seeking royalty-free permission on copyrighted publications (Oct 2024)
 - UGC wrote to the major publishers to seek royalty-free permission to use copyrighted publications for the exercise (late November 2024)





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