ALPSP Award for Contribution to Scholarly Publishing

This year Council has great pleasure in presenting this award to Michael Jubb.

Michael has held a distinguished career in research policy, funding and administration, as well as scholarly communications. In particular, he has led Research Information Network (RIN) since its inception in January 2005. In effect Michael ‘is’ RIN and has served all aspects of the scholarly community with honour and integrity. Perhaps the highlight of Michael's work with RIN was his role as Secretary to the group that produced the original Finch report in 2012 and subsequent report in 2013. Most recently, he has led the team that will report this autumn on key features of the transition to open access in the UK and the rest of the world.

Prior to RIN, Michael was Deputy Secretary of the British Academy and Deputy Chief Executive of the Arts and Humanities Research Board, overseeing its transition to Research Council status in 2005. Michael was awarded an MBE in the 2015 New Year's Honours for his services to social sciences. The scholarly publishing industry has benefited greatly from Michael's knowledge and insight and Council is delighted to make this award in recognition of this.

Sadly, with Michael's impending and much deserved retirement, comes the closure of RIN and the industry will be a little worse off as a result. We hope this Award goes some way to recognising all that Michael has achieved and his service to the scholarly publishing community.

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The Winners

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ALPSP is delighted to announce the winners of the 2015 Awards

ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing

The Awards celebrate and highlight the best innovators in our industry. The judges looked for innovative products which offer significant benefit to scholarly communication combined with a sustainable business model. The panel were faced with an impressive range of submissions from which they selected a shortlist of nine. Representatives from each were invited to give a short presentation to the judges in July, following which the final selection was made. Posts from each of the finalists can be found on the ALPSP blog bit.ly/ALPSPAwards2015

WINNER

The winner of the 2015 ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing is Kudos.

Kudos is a web-based toolkit for researchers and their publishers to increase the visibility and impact of published research. The judges were particularly impressed with the fact it is not a closed community – it can be used for any publication with a CrossRef DOI, works across all publishers and platforms and offers a single view for the author and publisher to see which communications channels are most effective.

Also shortlisted were:
Bookmetrix from Altmetric and Springer SBM; CHORUS; eLife Lens from eLife; Impact Vizor from HighWire Press; RightFind XML for Mining from the Copyright Clearance Center and The Xvolution board game from NSTDA.

HIGHLY COMMENDED

The judges awarded Highly Commended to JSTOR Daily and Overleaf.

JSTOR Daily uses high quality journalism to drive awareness and increase usage of scholarly outputs. Its tone is accessible yet authoritative and supports JSTOR’s mission to make scholarship relevant and accessible to a wider audience by connecting it to news and offering open access to research available on jstor.org

Overleaf is a collaborative cloud based tool which makes the process of writing, editing and publishing scientific papers faster and easier. It enables researchers and academics to collaborate more easily; it offers valuable time and cost savings for both the researcher and publisher.

Panel of judges for the Awards for Innovation in Publishing
Richard Gedye, Director of Outreach Programmes, STM (Chair); Andrew Barker, Head of Academic Liaison, Special Collections & Archives, University of Liverpool Library; Tim Devenport, Lead Consultant, Serials & Subscriptions Standards, EDItEUR; Jane Harvell, Head of Library Academic Services & Special Collections, University of Sussex; Robert Iannello, University Programme Manager EMEA, ARM; David Smith, Head of Product Solutions, The IET.

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