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## ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing 2017 shortlist announced

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The **Association of Learned & Professional Society Publishers** is delighted to announce the shortlist for the **ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing 2017**.

[Delta Think Open Access Data Analytics Tool](#)

[Escalex®](#) from IFIS Publishing and Molecular Connections

[INASP AuthorAid](#)

[Publons](#)

[SourceData](#) from EMBO

[Springer Nature SharedIt](#)

**Chair of the judging panel, David Sommer**, noted *'With over 40 submissions addressing a diverse range of areas from the peer review process, to funding analysis and accessibility issues for developing world authors, judging has been particularly tricky this year. We believe that the finalists we have selected are not only transformative but truly innovative for scholarly publishing in what they offer.'*

**Audrey McCulloch, Chief Executive of ALPSP**, remarked *'The panel has once again risen to the challenge of judging a wide variety of submissions representing the best innovations in scholarly publishing from around the world. It's fantastic to see organizations of all sizes contributing to making our industry such an exciting place to be.'*

The finalists will be presenting their submissions to our panel of judges, who represent all aspects of scholarly publishing, for further scrutiny and final judgement next month. They will then be able to showcase their products to industry peers at the ALPSP 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference in the Netherlands and the winner will be announced at the Conference Awards Dinner on Thursday 14 September.

### About the ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing

The ALPSP awards are open to any new development, product, service, launch or project which is both innovative and of significant value to scholarly communication. The winners must demonstrate excellence in terms of originality and innovation, significance and value to the community, utility and long-term viability.

The 2017 ALPSP Awards for Innovation in Publishing are sponsored by [MPS Limited](#)

## Panel of Judges

David Sommer, *Product Director & Co-founder, Kudos (Chair)*

Andrew Barker, *Associate Director, Library Services, Liverpool John Moores University*

Lars Bjørnshauge, *Managing Director, DOAJ*

Astrid Engelen, *Business Strategist, IOS Press*

Lorraine Estelle, *Project Director, COUNTER*

Richard Gedye, *Director of Outreach Programmes, STM*

Pam Harley, *Senior Consultant, Clarke & Company*

Jane Harvell, *Head of Library Academic Services & Special Collections, University of Sussex*

Robert Iannello, *Sales and Marketing Manager, ARM Education Media*

John Shaw, *Vice President, Publishing Technologies, SAGE Publishing*

David Smith, *Head of Product Solutions, The IET*

## About the ALPSP Conference

The [2017 ALPSP Conference](#) will be held at the Grand Hotel Huis ter Duin in Noordwijk, the Netherlands from 13-15 September. The conference is the ideal forum in which to discuss the challenges facing the industry and learn about new initiatives and developments.

## Notes for Editors

### About ALPSP

The Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers (ALPSP) is the international membership trade body which works to support and represent not-for-profit organizations and institutions that publish scholarly and professional content around the world.

Its membership also encompasses those that partner with and provide services to not-for-profit publishers. ALPSP has over 330 members in 40 countries, who collectively publish over half the world's total active journals as well as books, databases and other products. [www.alpsp.org](http://www.alpsp.org)

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