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PLOS partners with the Global Young Academy to advance Open Science principles

Halle/Saale, Germany, and San Francisco, United States - The Public Library of Science (PLOS) and the Global Young Academy (GYA), an international academy based in Halle, Germany, have announced a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) establishing cooperation between the two organizations.

The purpose of the MoU is to create a strategic partnership between the parties to increase the awareness of Open Science, its principles, and its implementation into research practices. As such, PLOS and the GYA will support each other in increasing awareness of Open Science principles and publishing, as well as the adoption of Open Science practices. The organizations will also coordinate their efforts and provide each other with the necessary mutual assistance required for achieving the objectives of this MoU.

“GYA’s Open Science working group strives to raise awareness of Open Science principles and approaches among young scientists and to provide input into Open Science policies from a diverse, international perspective,” said Tasha Gownaris, GYA Open Science Working Group Co-Lead. “We are excited about the work that PLOS is doing and are looking forward to closely collaborating on initiatives to make science more effective, equitable, and accessible.”

“This strategic partnership with the Global Young Academy will ensure that early-career researchers can inform and help to shape PLOS’ continuing efforts to increase equitable participation in Open Science,” said Roheena Anand, Executive Director of Global Publishing Development, PLOS. “The GYA’s input will be fundamental to ensuring that our Open Science solutions will serve the needs of early career researchers across the globe.”

PLOS and the GYA are invested in an Open Future and want to work with stakeholders across the scholarly communication ecosystem to promote and increase uptake of Open Access and Open Science more broadly.

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About the Global Young Academy

The vision of the GYA is science for all; science for the future, and its mission is to give a voice to young scientists and researchers around the world. The GYA, founded in 2010, is an independent science academy of 200 outstanding early- to mid-career researchers from six continents who are selected from across disciplines based on their academic excellence and commitment to engage with society. GYA members serve five-year terms, and the GYA presently counts members and alumni from 101 countries. The GYA administrative Office is publicly funded and hosted at the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina. For more information, visit www.globalyoungacademy.net

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