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ACM SIGNS NEW TRANSFORMATIVE OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING AGREEMENT WITH IREL FOR EIGHT IRISH UNIVERSITIES

New Open Access Publishing Agreement is ACM's First with Institutions Outside the US

New York, NY; Maynooth, Ireland, April 2, 2020—ACM, the Association for Computing Machinery, entered into a transformative open access agreement with IReL, the Irish e-resource licensing consortium. The agreement covers both access to and open access publication in ACM's journals, proceedings and magazines for eight Irish universities, including Dublin City University, Maynooth University, National University Ireland Galway, Technological University Dublin, Trinity College Dublin, University College Cork, University College Dublin, and University of Limerick. This agreement represents the first transformative open access agreements for ACM with institutions outside the United States.

Under the new agreement, which runs for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2020, faculty and students of these eight participating universities will receive unlimited and unrestricted access to all articles in the ACM Digital Library during the term, and all publications from corresponding authors from these institutions published during the term in ACM journals, conference proceedings and magazines will be made open access at the time of publication at no cost to the authors.

Additionally, ACM will make deposits into institutional repositories for all co-authors from these universities. The new agreement also expands the range of rights authors retain when publishing with ACM.

"IReL is excited to participate in ACM's transformative open access model," said Jack Hyland, IReL Manager. "We are impressed at the ambition of the model, designed in collaboration with sister library consortia, to transparently and sustainably accelerate the growth of open access and transition ACM to OA in a defined time frame."

This new agreement expresses ACM's commitment to open access publication and its transition to full open access within the next several years. ACM is extending the principles of the new ACM OPEN access model to universities throughout the world.

About ACM

[ACM, the Association for Computing Machinery](#), is the world's largest educational and scientific computing society, uniting educators, researchers and professionals to inspire dialogue, share resources and address the field's challenges. ACM strengthens the computing profession's collective voice through strong leadership, promotion of the highest standards, and recognition of technical excellence. ACM supports the professional growth of its members by providing opportunities for life-long learning, career development, and professional networking.

About IReL

[IReL](#) is an Irish e-resource licensing consortium which has been providing online access to journals and databases for libraries in participating publicly funded Irish higher education institutions since 2004. IReL is based in Maynooth University.

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