

# **AEUP – Connecting University Presses** in Europe

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### **Hamburg University Press**

publishing house of the Hamburg State and University Library



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#### library's crows nest for projects on

- Open Access
- Open Science
- scholarly communication

networking on national and international level (strategically/practically)

### Challenges



- re-/shaping our role
- react on dynamics in publishing
- meet the needs of the stakeholder

#### **Strategies**

- networking
- knowledge exchange
- collaborating







## **AE**UP

E is about Europe and its diversity





#### **About**

#### founded in 2010

currently 39 members from 18 countries

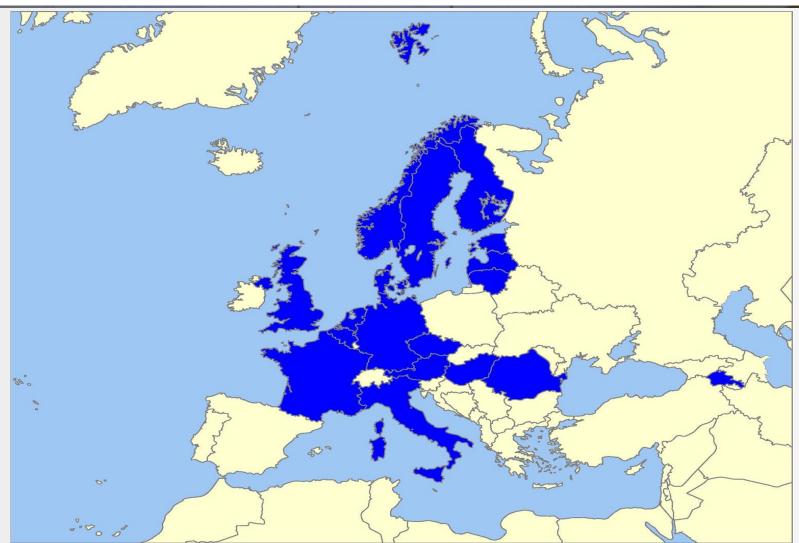
Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway Romania, Sweden, United Kingdom

Board

7 members from 5 countries



## **Countries of origin**



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## The Purpose of AEUP



The purpose of this Association is

 to develop and support relations between university presses in Europe.

It will do this through cooperation and mutuality.

Its objective and mission is

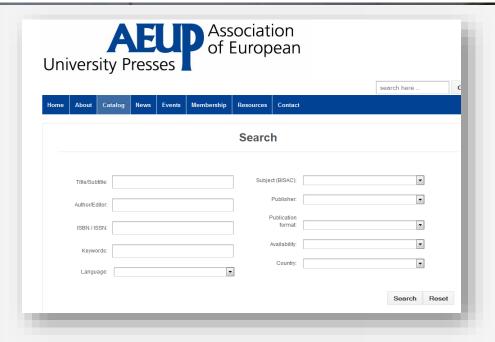
- to improve members abilities in communication,
- to improve their visibility,
- to improve their market presence and
- to protect and promote the distribution of knowledge and the benefits of university presses in the current economic conditions.

Bylaws (2010), Article 2



## Product of AEUP: a joint catalog

- catalog platform
- all members of AEUP
- metadata of titles
- print + e-books
- no proper sales platform
- open searchable database



A first step. In order to learn more about members' needs and interests ...

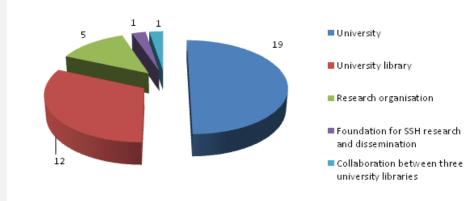


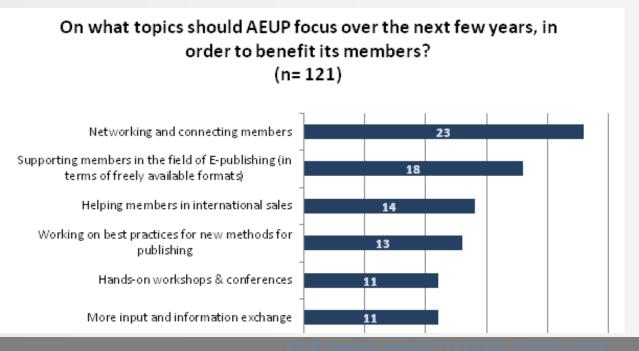
## Surveys

#### Whom is your publishing house linked to? (n = 38)

#### 2015

 Survey on publishing activities in Europe







## **Conferences**

- every second year
- specific slogan
- open to members and interested parties
- hosted by different members presses







## Surveys

#### 2018 Surveys in preparation of workshops

- Survey on reviewing and quality control, production and dissemination/distribution
- Survey on workshop for structured publishing

#### **Advantages**

- workshops' subjects tailored according to members' interests
- precise knowledge increase efficiency
- > interaction faciliates communication



## Workshops

- on occasion
- topics according to needs and interests
- co-operations with projects



"Keeping up with the standards" with PKP developer and Ubiquity Press epresentative , Riga/Latvia





"From text to structured edition – producing XML-TEI content" with MÉTOPES (Méthodes et outils pour l'édition structurée, Caen), Göttingen/Germany





#### Outreach

#### **Seven Statements on European University Presses (2017)**

"European university presses play an important role in scholarly communication. The following statements declared by AEUP stress their relevance and position them as important stakeholders and partners of politics and research alike. [...]"



- European UPs are there to make European diversity (languages, cultures, specific disciplines) in its scholarly communication visible.
- European UPs bring benefits and services to their host institution
- Access to scientific communication needs to be as free as possible to let society benefit from research, Open Access and Open Science are the rightmeans to reach these objectives
- The publishing programme is built on discipline-specific standards, quality assurance and selectivity.
- The business models of the European UPs follow their mission.
- To face pending challenges for society, we need to unlock the full potential of scientific communication in Humanities and qualitative Social Sciences. Funding models and beneficial infrastructures (including governance structures) for open access
- AEUP and its members are essential partners in shaping the framework for the aforementioned goals in Europe.



#### AEUP <a href="https://www.aeup.eu">https://www.aeup.eu</a>

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Working group of (German speaking) University Presses <a href="https://www.ag-univerlage.de">https://www.ag-univerlage.de</a>

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