

## **FCT and Plan S**

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## Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT)

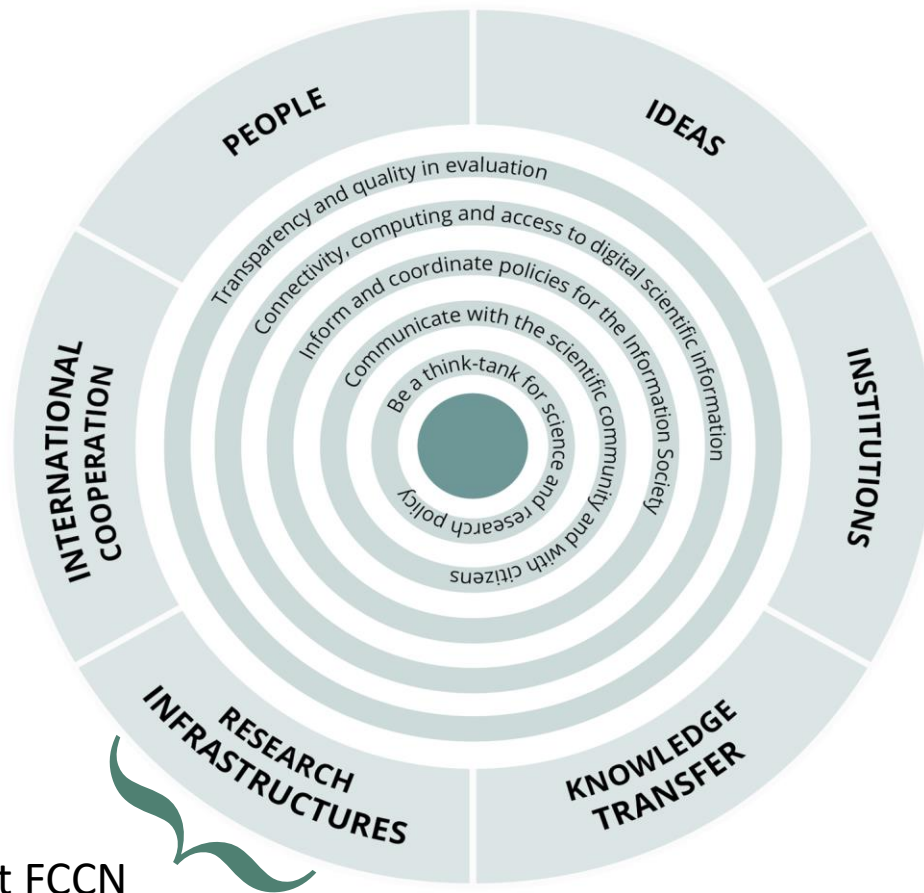
is the Portuguese national funding agency for science and research.

FCT is a **publicly-funded government agency**, under the responsibility of the Ministry for Science, Technology and Higher Education.

### FCT's vision

- To establish Portugal as a **global reference for research and innovation**
- To ensure knowledge generated by scientific research **underpins social and economic development**

# FCT supports the whole spectrum of Portugal's research base



Unit FCCN



## Mission: ensure access to scientific knowledge of recognized prestige and quality

### Contents



18 content providers  
15 M €

### Electronic services



> 60 Institutions

### Communication, dissemination and training



> 350 K Users

10 M  
Downloads

# National Open Access Initiative



**Mission:** promote, support and facilitate **Open access** to the **national scientific production**

## Electronic services

Portal RCAAP

Repositórios  
Institucionais  
(SARI)

Dados  
(SARDC)

Revistas  
(SARC)

Repositório  
Comum

> 126 Institutions

## Support services



95 Journals

## Communication, dissemination and training



>550K docs  
>25M downloads

## FCT's reaction to Plan S (October 2018)

- FCT declares its support to Plan S's objectives
  - ... while it recommends that cOAlition S members
    - ensure that transition models, specifically through the Gold Open Access route, do not reinforce the monopolistic nature of the scholarly publishing market
    - reinforce mechanisms for positive incentives within research evaluation and funding systems
    - recognize and adapt models of open access publishing to new forms of creating and communicating science

## FCT's feedback to the publication of the "Guidance on the Implementation of Plan S" (February 2019)

- The publication of the Guidance on the Implementation of Plan S addresses a number of concerns
- The implementation of Plan S must at all costs avoid incurring in double standards, taking care not to impose comparatively higher requirements to repositories than to journals
- The scientific communication environment should be regarded as an ecosystem, comprised of several complementary or symbiotic systems (journals, platforms or repositories)
- The technical requirements for Plan S would benefit from the establishment of a regulatory framework for interoperability between the several systems

## FCT's position towards Plan S

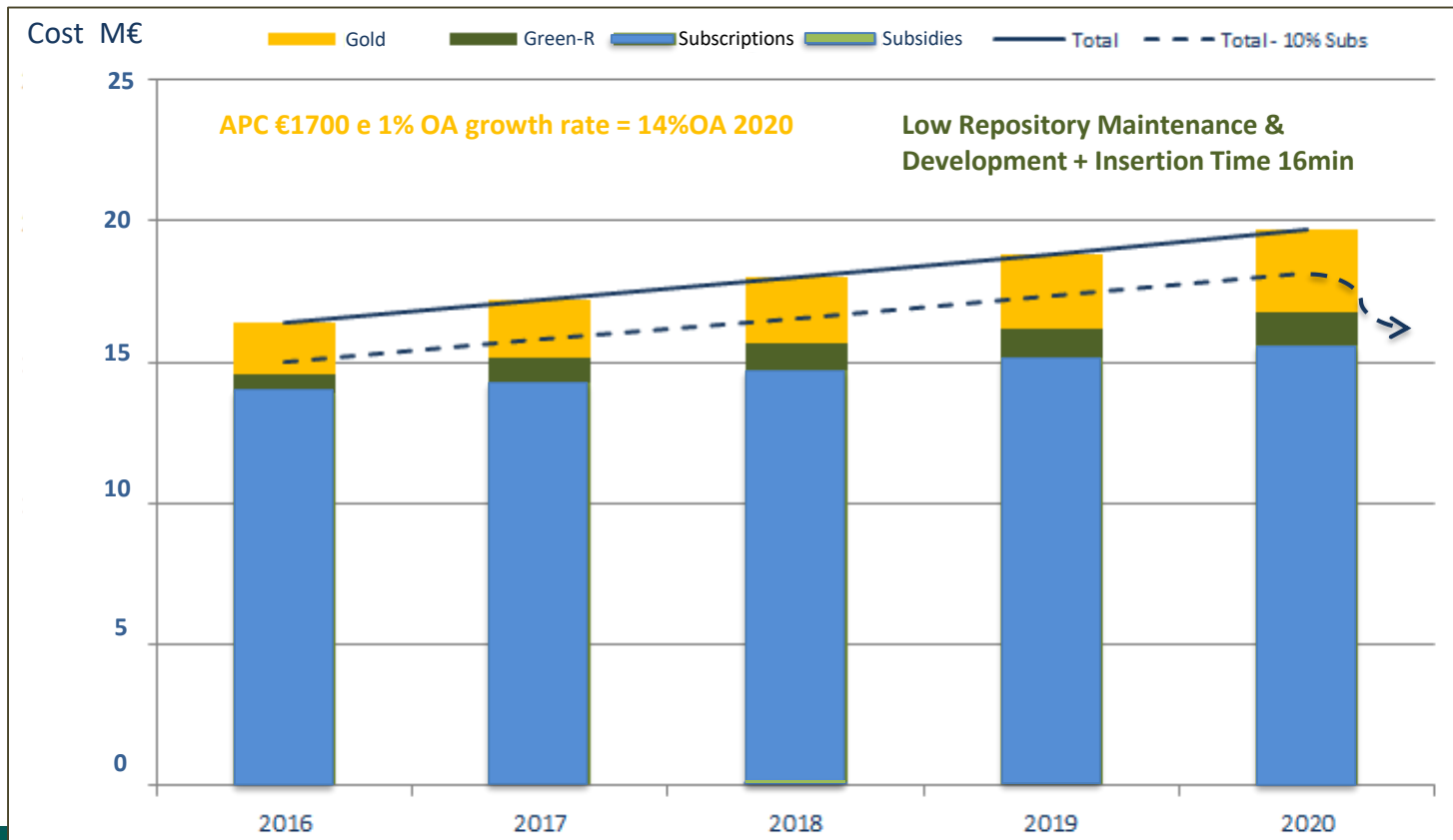
- Revised guidance on Plan S implementation is published (May 2019)  
... a major issue remains unsolved

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# The transition to OA Academic Publishing

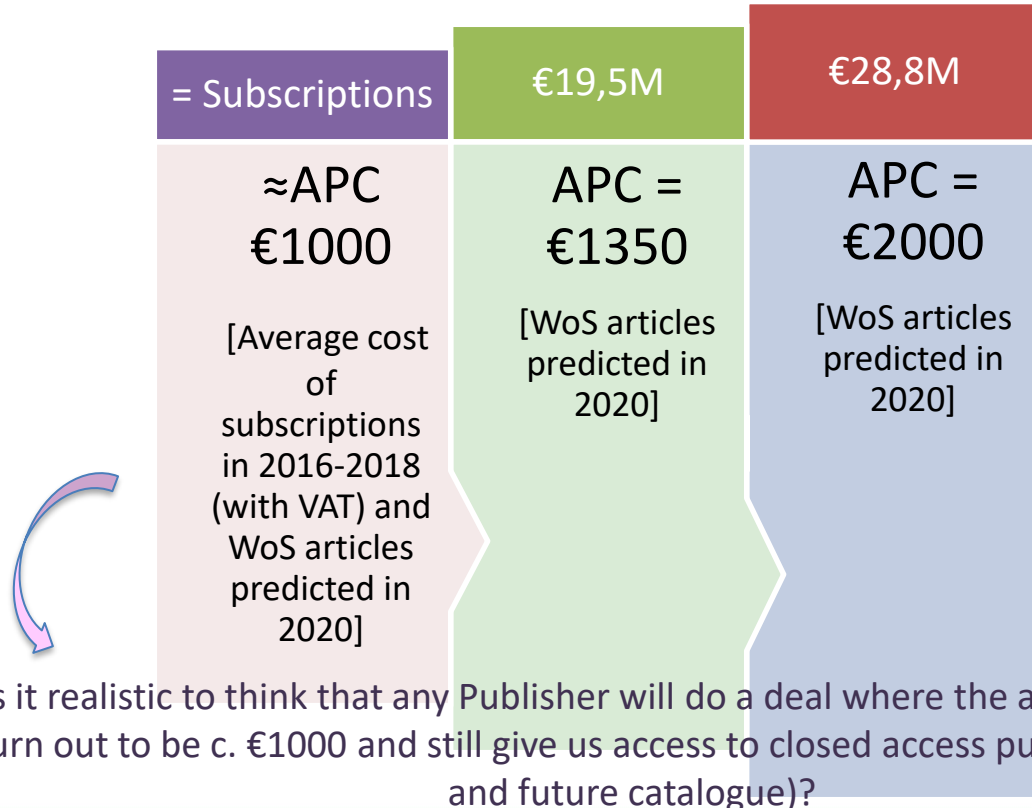
## Projection for Portugal based on predicted publications in WoS



€18.2M  
If 10% of OA articles are published in currently subscribed hybrid journals & there were offsetting deals

# The transition to OA Academic Publishing

## Portugal – Flipping in 2020?



## Questions?

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Thank you very much for your attention!