

## From Zero to One Hundred: Open Access Books Network (OABN) and community-based learning

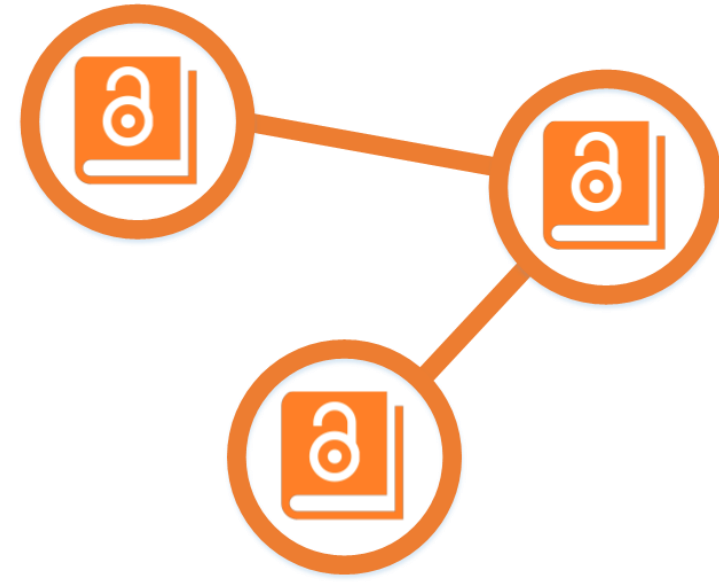
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**The OABN** is a free, open network for anyone interested in OA books

**Sharing knowledge about OA books and building a community**

<https://openaccessbooksnetwork.hcommons.org/>



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**FOUNDED BY** members of OAPEN, OPERAS, ScholarLed and SPARC Europe

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## Why the OABN?

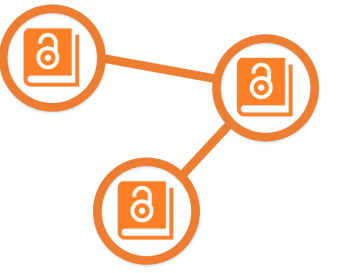
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**To create a community** around open access books

(OA) Books  $\neq$  (OA) Journals

A home to

- Share
- Discuss
- Advance



## What do we do?

### Creating a community around open access books through:

- Events
- Blog posts
- Talks & engagement
- The Open Access Tracking Project 'oa.books' feed

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Open Access books and [in]discoverability: a library perspective

By Jayne Kelly (Ebooks Administrator, Collections and Academic Liaison Department, Cambridge University Library) and Clara Panozzo (Latin American & Iberian Collections, Collections and Academic Liaison Department, Cambridge University Library)

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Financing change: KU Leuven's Fair OA Fund

*This post, written by Demmy Verbeke (Head of KU Leuven Libraries Artes), is an introduction to the next event in the 'BoOkmArks: Open Conversations About OA Books' series. A live session will be held via [this Zoom link](#) on 8th December at 16:00 CET/ 15:00*

OA BOOKS NEWS - VIA OPEN ACCESS TRACKING PROJECT (OATP)



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**boOkmArks**  
Open Conversations about OA Books

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4PM CET  
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THE OPEN ACCESS BOOKS NETWORK  
IN A CONVERSATION WITH JEFF POOLEY, THE  
FOUNDER.

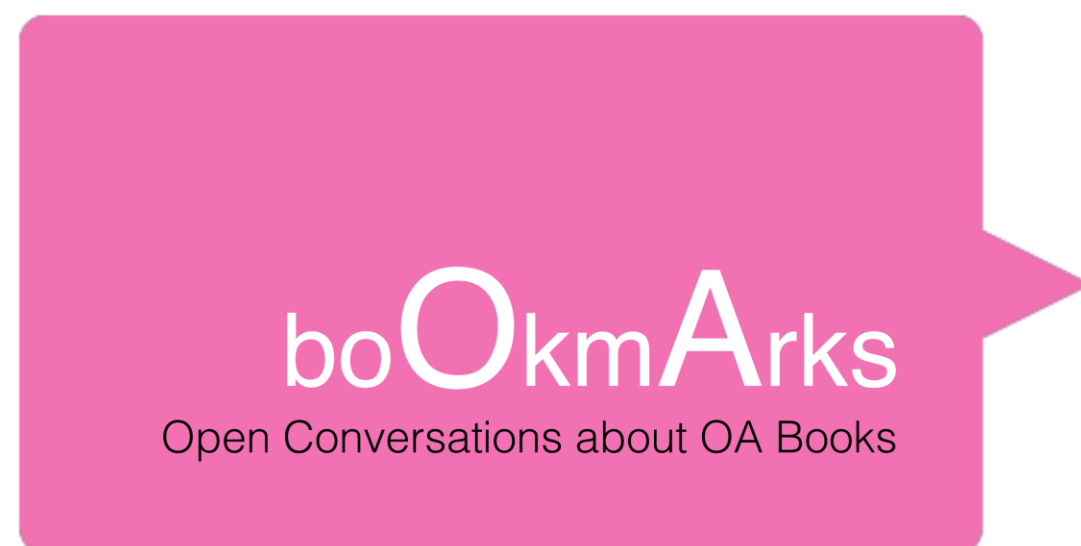
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## Event series

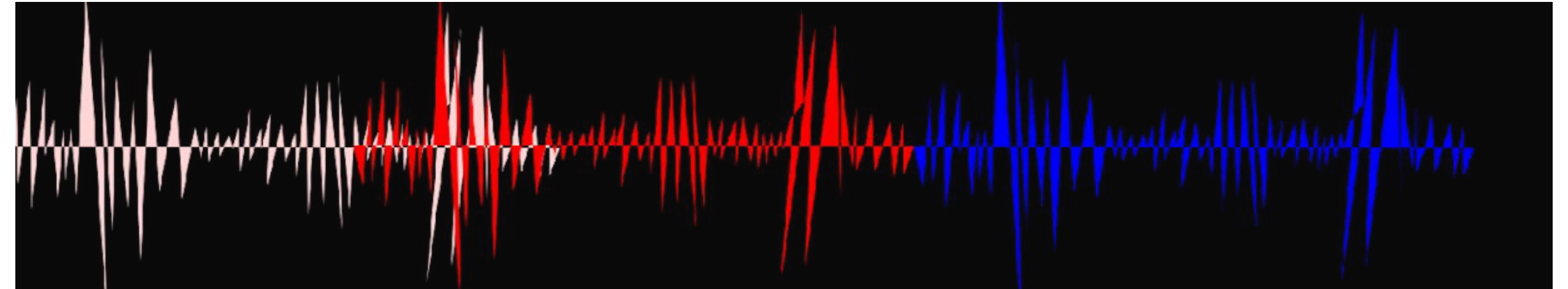
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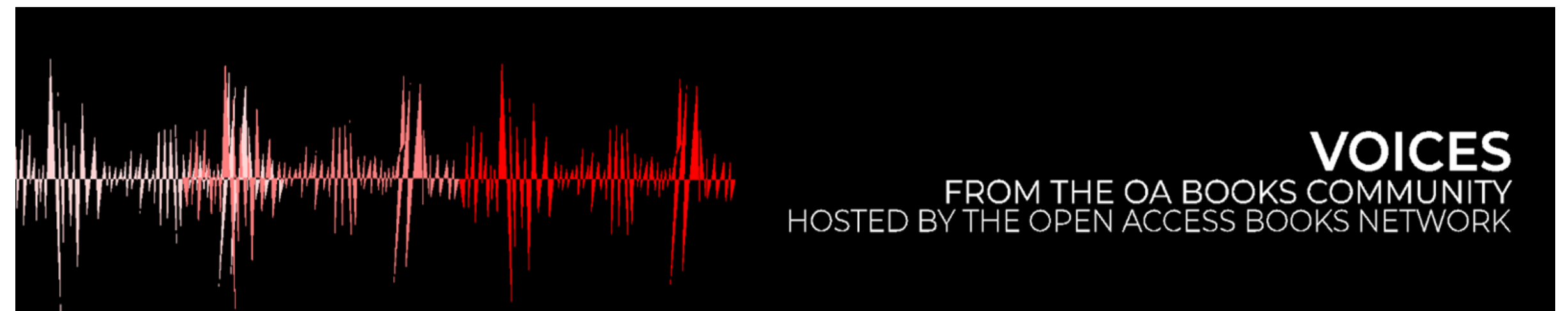
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Voices from the OA books community



WHAT COULD A PLAN S  
FOR OA BOOKS LOOK LIKE?

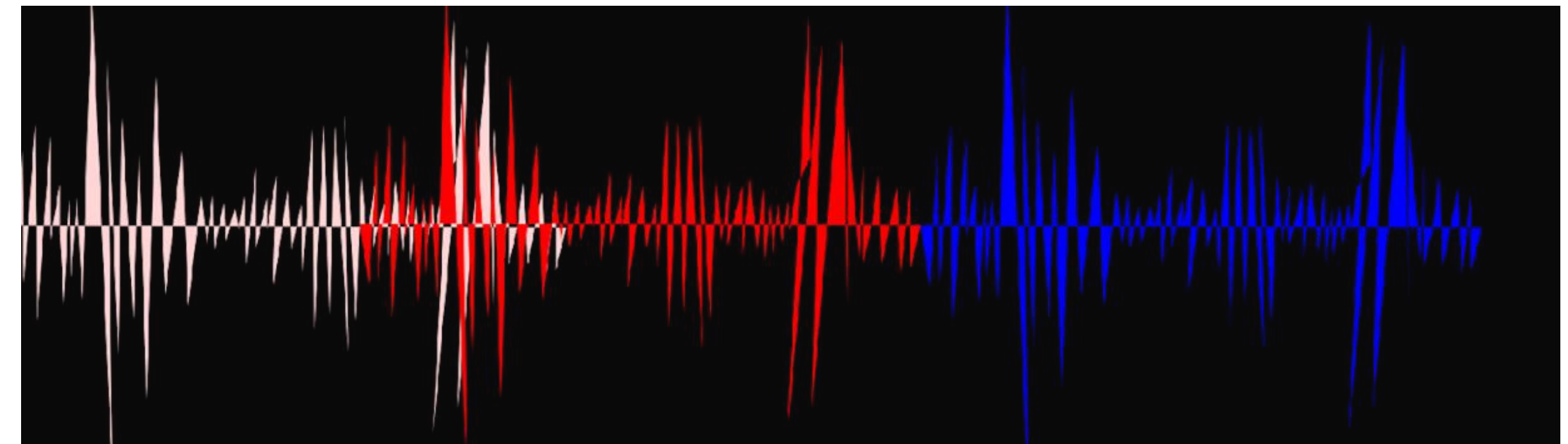


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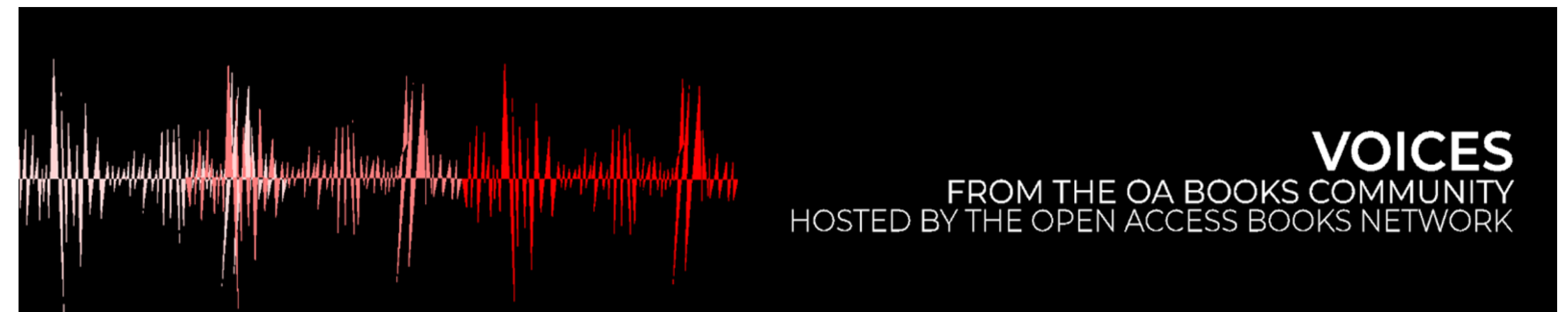
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First introduced during the OPERAS Conference followed by a series of 5 thematic sessions on OA books:

1. Introduction & Scope Sprint
2. Quality Assurance and Transparency
3. Green Open Access for Books
4. Discoverability and Metadata
5. Rights Retention and Licensing



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Connecting....

- 400+ participants
- Publishers, funders, OA policymakers, researchers, librarians and infrastructure providers
- Small, large, for-profit, non-profit
- Europe, North America & Latin America

.... around potential OA book policies

## How did the community respond to this series?

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- Interest & willingness to engage around key topics
- Challenges, gaps & different views on solutions
- No one-size fits all solution



## Best practice: what worked, what might we do different?

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- Breakout room style sessions, getting input
- Seeking agreement
- Coordination work

Find out more:

<https://openaccessbooksnetwork.hcommons.org/voices-from-the-oa-books-community/>



## NETWORK

- 273** HC members
- 110** Slack members
- 816** Twitter followers
- 23** YouTube subscribers



## NEW CONTRIBUTORS

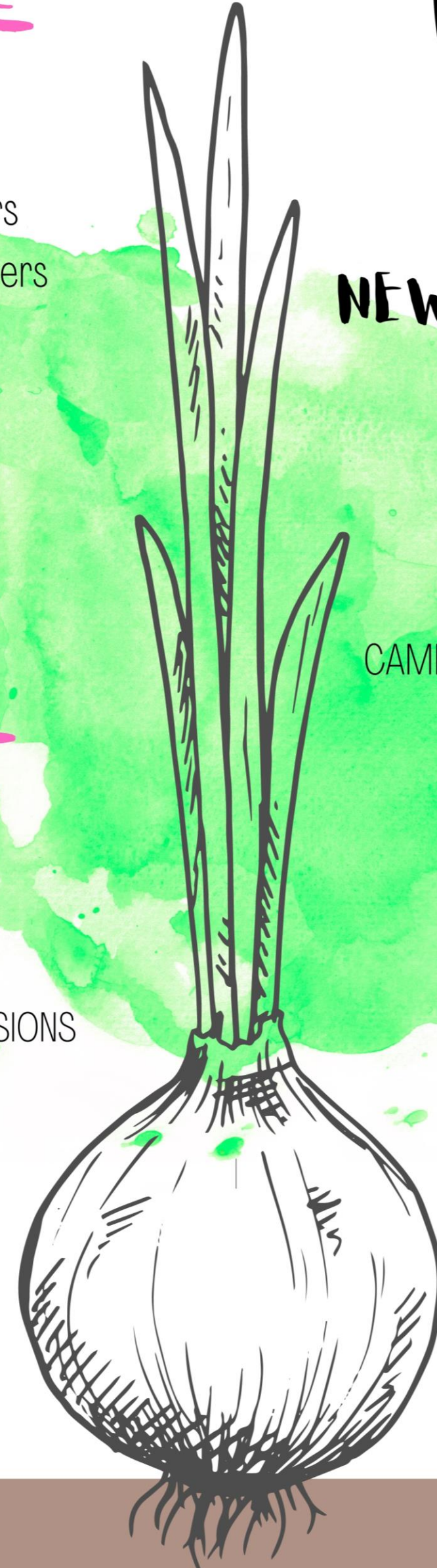
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- CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

## OUTPUTS

- 2,419** TWEETS
- 22** BLOG POSTS
- 16** VIDEOS
- 10** BOOOKMARKS SESSIONS
- 5** VOICES SESSIONS
- 4** OPEN CAFES

## CHANNELS

- 612,320**  
Twitter impressions
- 5,181**  
Website users
- 13,916**  
Website page views
- 900**  
YouTube views

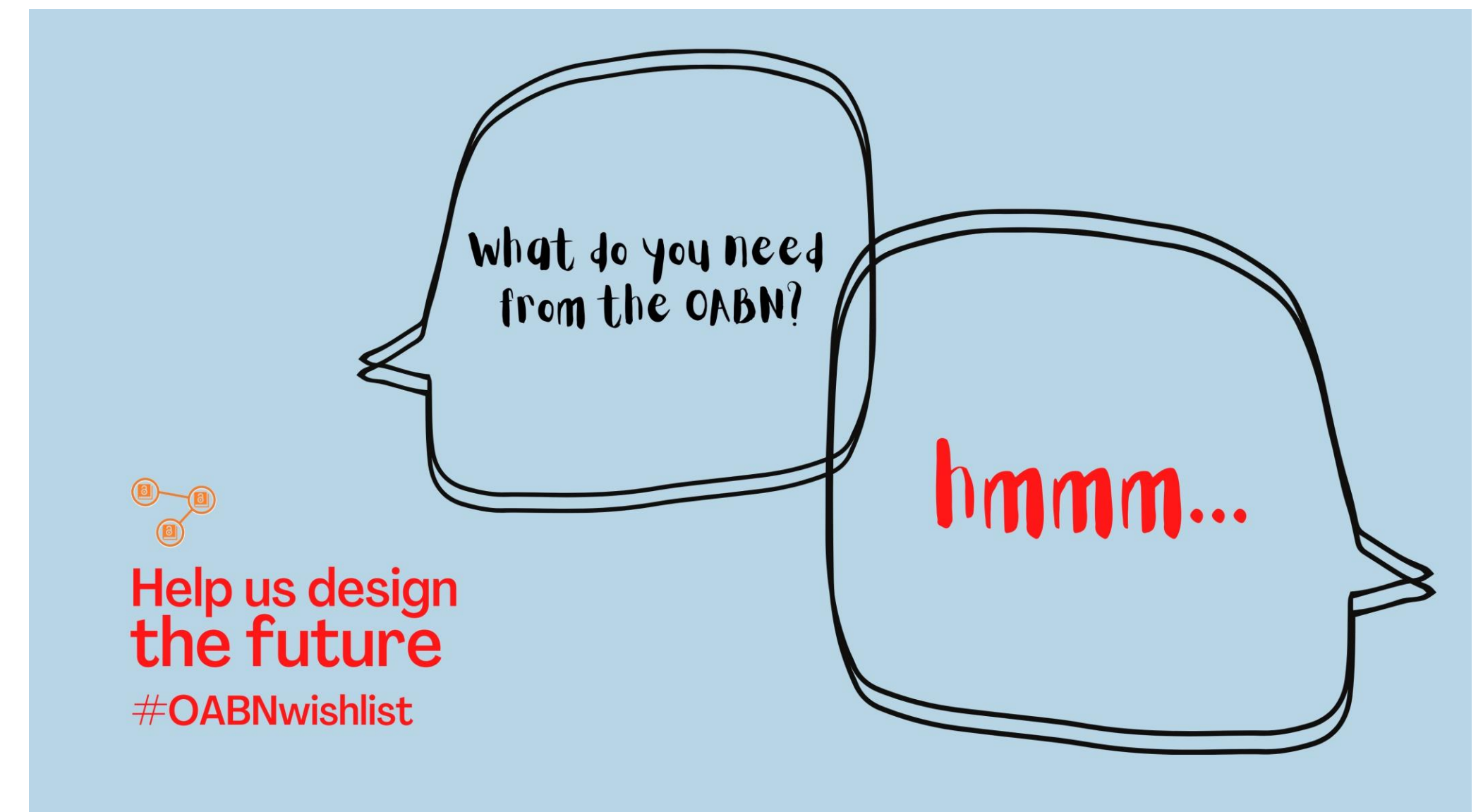
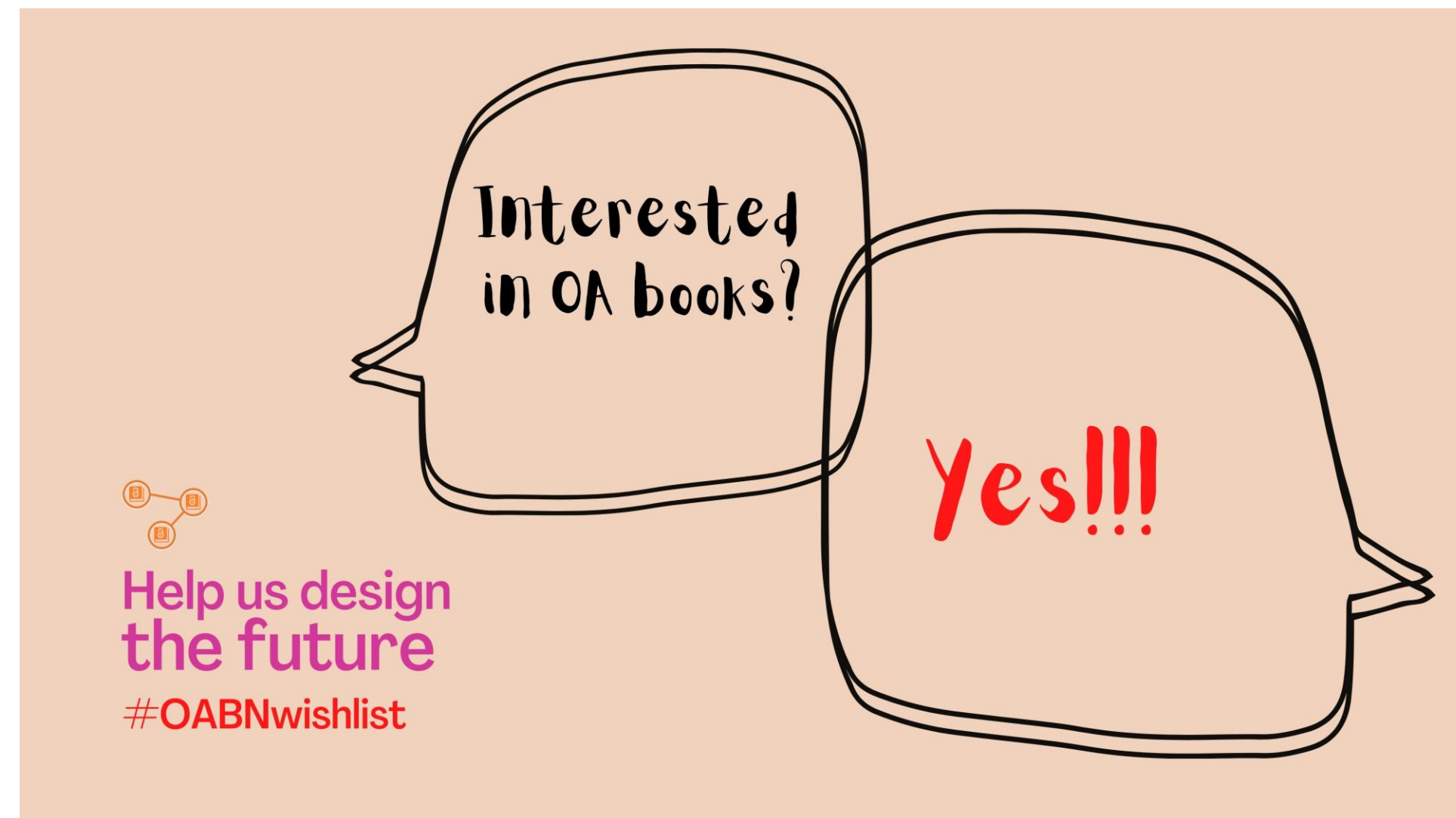


# Where are we now? One year of the Open Access Books Network

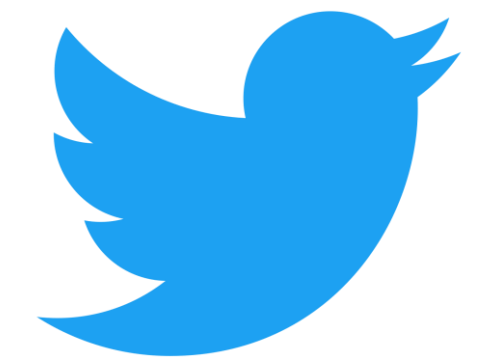


## What more could we do?

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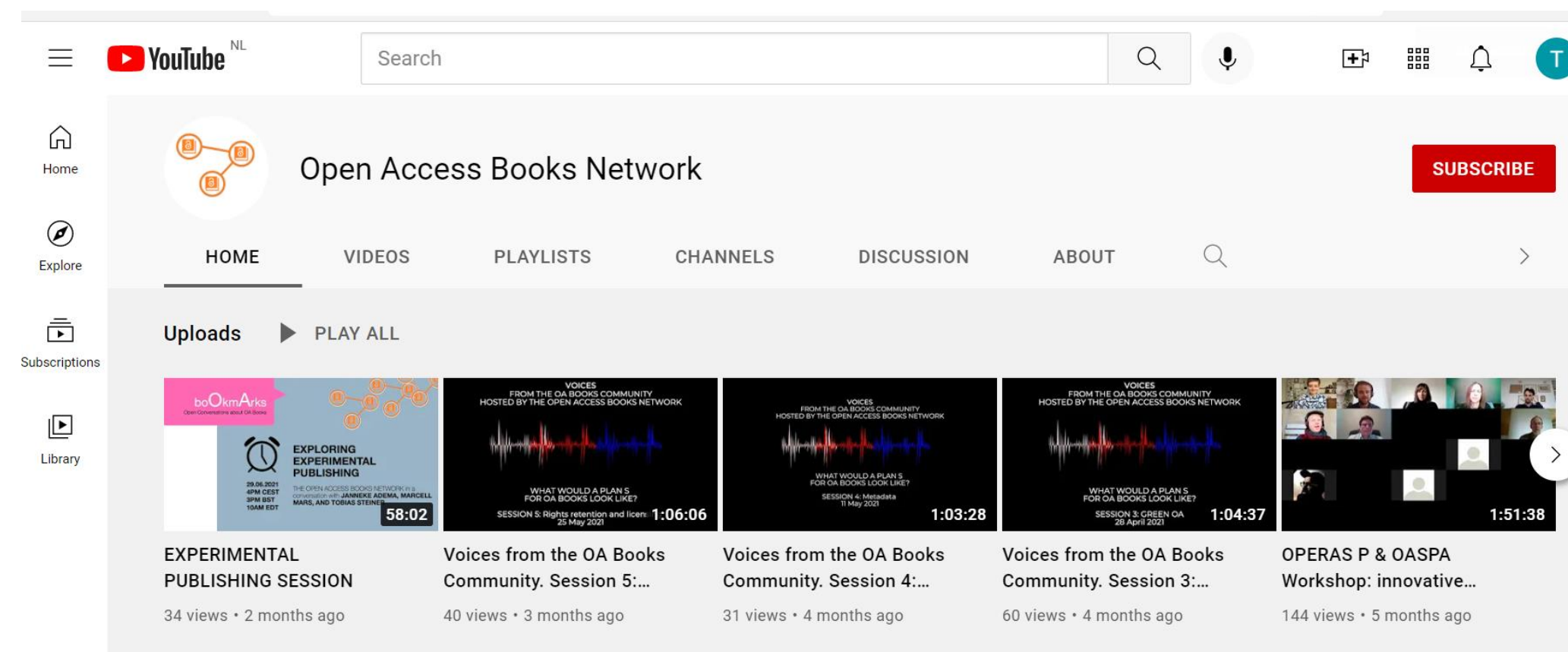
## Where to find the network



Website: <https://openaccessbooksnetwork.hcommons.org/>

Group: <https://hcommons.org/groups/open-access-books-network/>

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