The case for open Open Access book infrastructures

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We propose that funding bodies and the scholarly community invest in open source infrastructure for the production of OA books, and that this infrastructure is governed and run by the communities involved in academic publishing themselves on a not-for-profit basis.

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We add our voice to those arguing that infrastructure is not peripheral to academic research; on the contrary, it conditions and sustains it, and its creation, development and ongoing management is therefore a vital aspect of that research.

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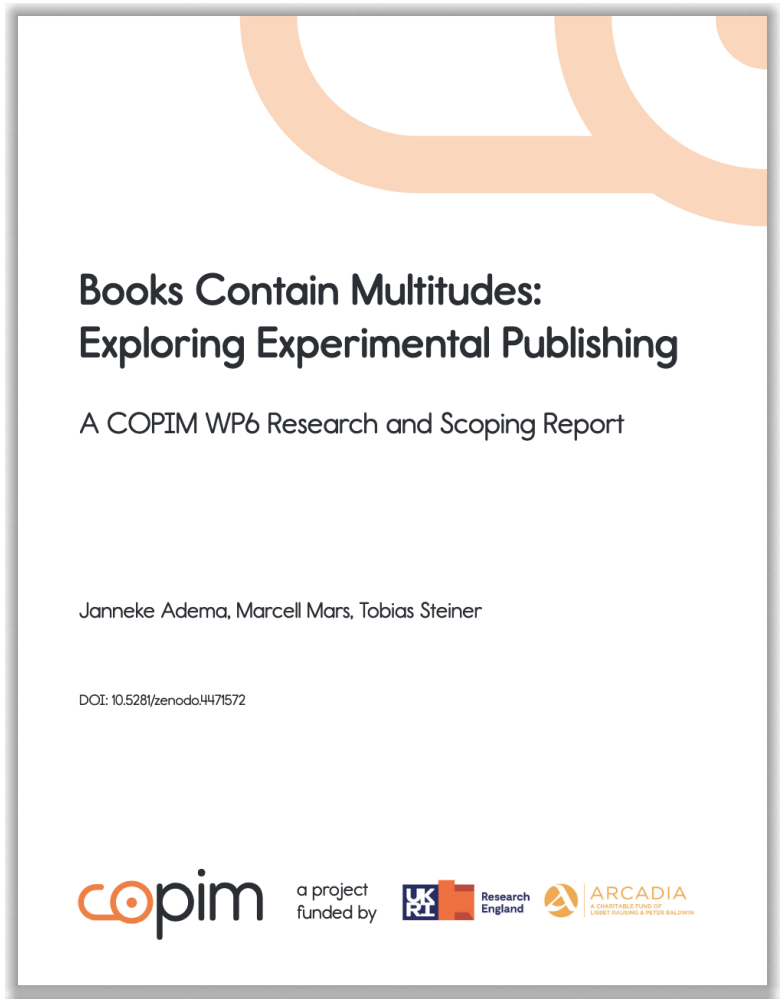

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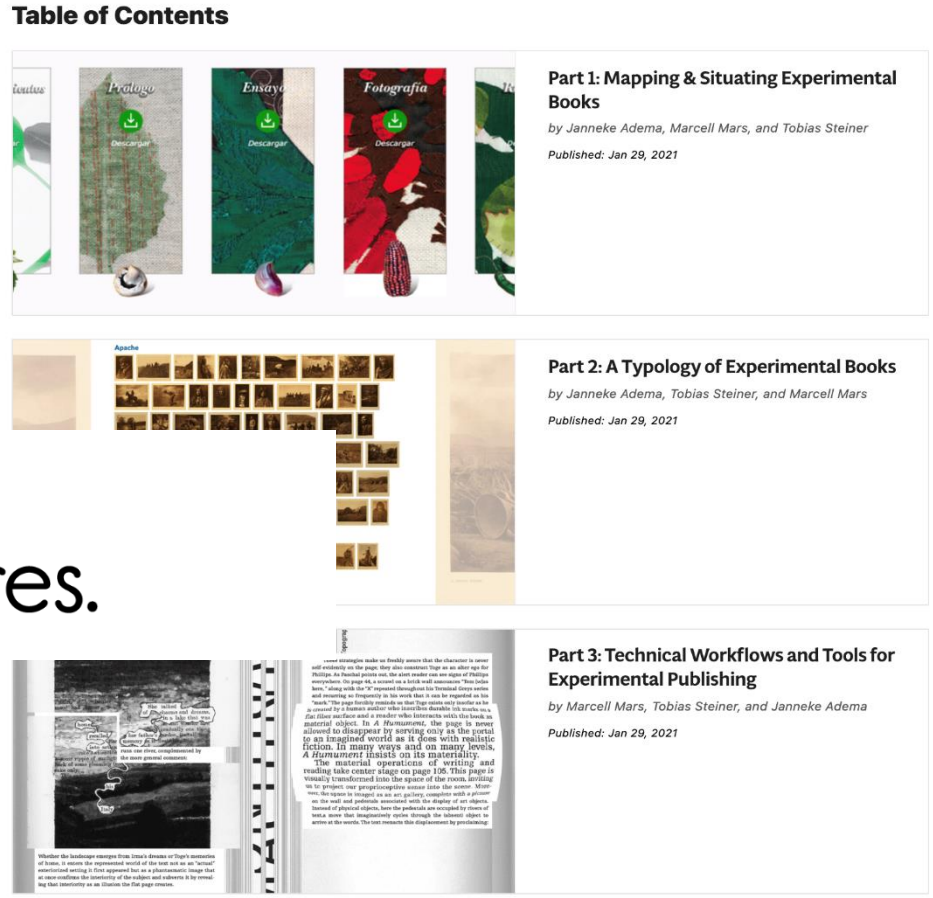

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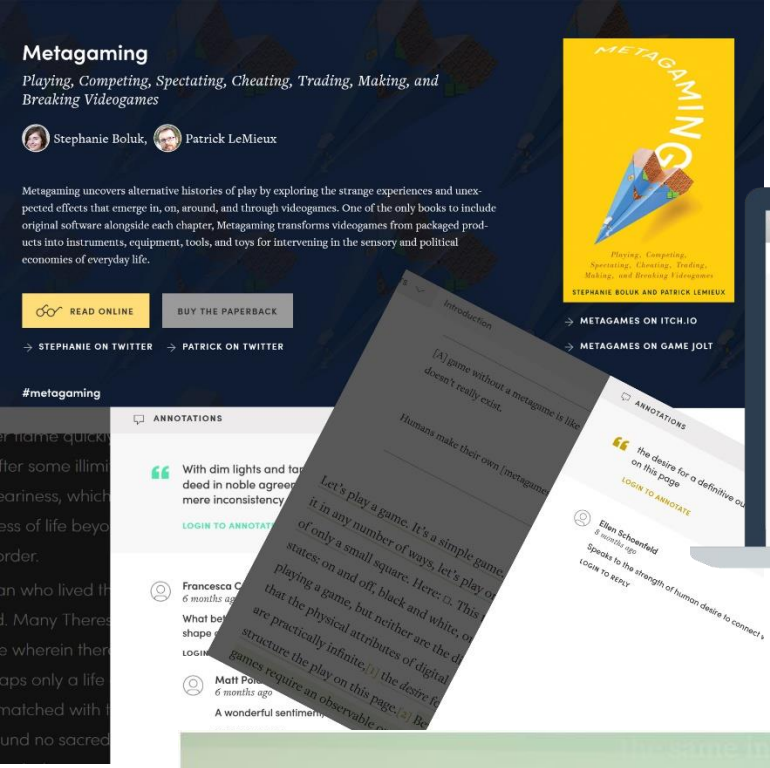

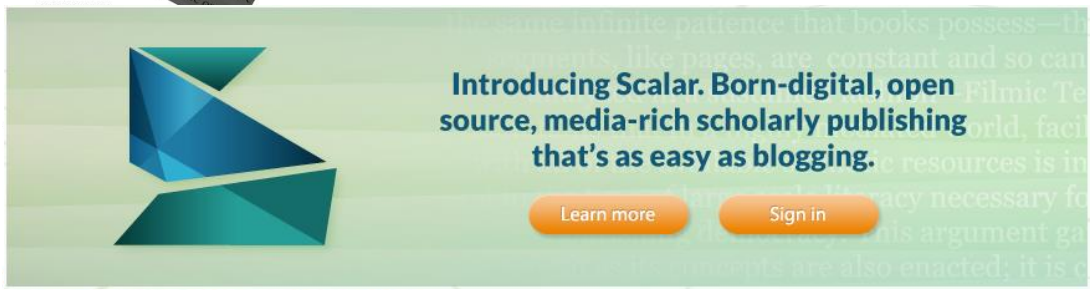

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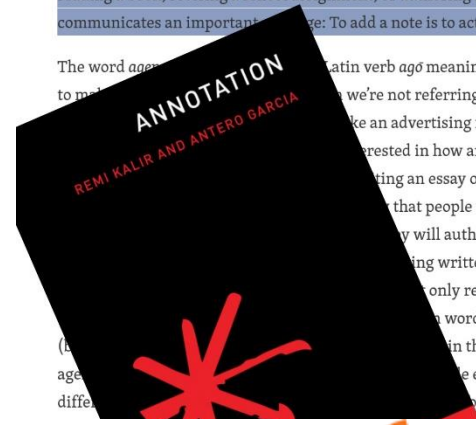

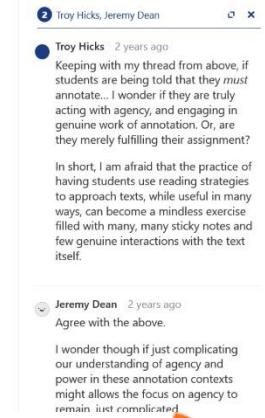

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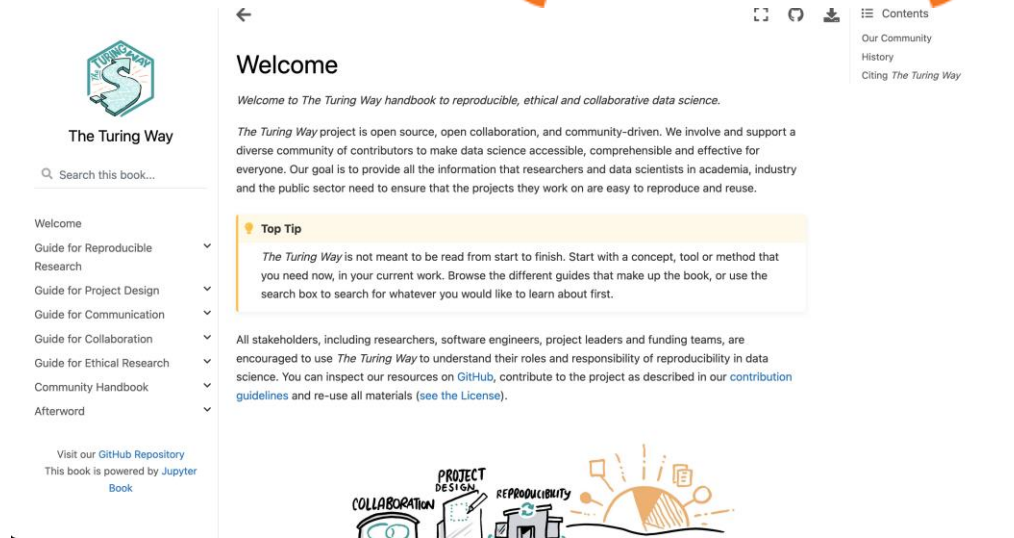

Three strata of non-BPC based Open Access publishing

Large, well-funded academic presses

Small to medium sized academic presses

Scholar-led born-OA presses

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Aims

- Generate new revenue streams for small/medium OA publishers
- Support a model of OA book publishing not reliant on BPCs
- Make it easier for librarians to support OA membership schemes
- Build a new community of publishers, infrastructure providers, librarians

Ethos

- Open infrastructure
- Community led
- Not for profit
- Supporting bibliodiversity

A means for publishers to generate new/increased revenue streams from partnerships with libraries

Making it easier for libraries to assess & support different membership schemes

Conducting outreach on behalf of publishers, managing financial flows

For libraries, simplifying invoicing, contracting, procurement and reporting processes

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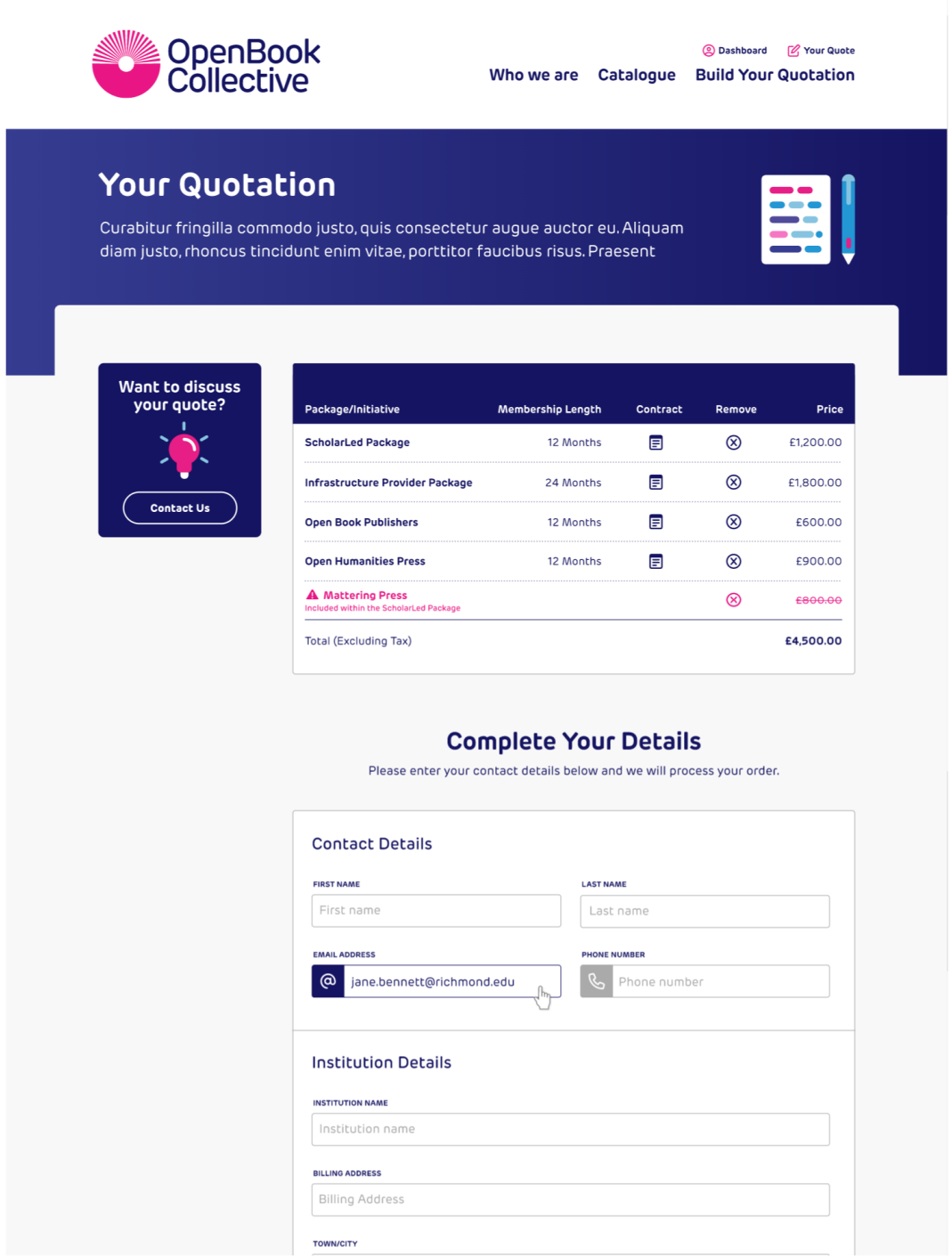

OBC running costs shared between publishers & libraries

Opportunities for publishers & libraries to become involved in governance

Publishers also contribute to a collective fund, to build OA publishing capacity

All financial information (inc fees, revenue) reported openly & transparently

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