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JOHD Newsletter January 2023

A happy new year to you from all of us at the Journal of Open Humanities Data! We are excited to update you with some of the events, changes, and successes from the latter half of this year. Below are just some of the many highlights for the journal, setting up even more exciting developments in 2023!

Staff Updates

Associate Editor Mandy Wigdorowitz graduated with a Ph.D. in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics from the University of Cambridge in October. We want to wish Mandy congratulations on completing her degree!

Iacopo Ghinassi has been promoted in his role at JOHD and is now Associate Editor for JOHD. He will continue to provide excellent support for the journal and help with expanding the reach and impact of open data in the humanities and social sciences. Finally, Nilo Pedrazzini left the JOHD team in December 2022. His contributions to the journal will certainly be missed!

New Staff

Eleonora Lima joined the journal team in October and will be working on developing and maintaining JOHD's network. We're happy to have you join the JOHD team, Eleonora!



New Editorial Board

JOHD now has a new editorial board, whose members will stay with the journal for the next three years. The members of the JOHD editorial board are listed below:

- Patrick Burns (Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University, United States)
- Jez Cope (The British Library, United Kingdom)
- Jennifer Edmond (Trinity College Dublin, Ireland)
- Emi Ishita (Kyushu University, Japan)
- Thea Lindquist (University of Colorado Boulder, United States)
- Simon Mahony (Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai, China)
- Birgit Schmidt (University of Göttingen, Germany)
- Victoria Van Hyning (University of Maryland College Park (SSO), United States)
- Wang Xiaoguang (School of Information Management, Wuhan University, China)
- Menno van Zaanen (South African Centre for Digital Language Resources (SADiLaR), North-West University, South Africa)

Many thanks to our outgoing editorial board members and a very warm welcome to our new editorial team!

Talks

On 1 September, JOHD copyeditor Mason Jones gave a talk on behalf of JOHD to Polytechnique Montréal on open data and open access data publication to kick off a webinar series hosted by the institution.

Paola Marongiu spoke on behalf of JOHD at the University of Maryland's Center for Archival Futures (CAFe) on November 2nd during a talk entitled "[*Data Articles: Introducing a Genre—with the Journal of Open Humanities Data and Journal of Slavery and Data Preservation*](#)."

Publications and Special Collections

In February, JOHD launched the special collection “[New perspectives and practices in Digital Humanities Data](#)” which focuses on the Digital Humanities at Oxford Summer School. This collection highlights the digital humanities and open data work of the Oxford Summer School. On 11 July 2022, Editor-in-Chief Barbara McGillivray, along with the collection’s guest editors David De Roure and Megan Gooch, presented the special collection at the celebrations for the tenth anniversary of the Digital Humanities at Oxford Summer School.

JOHD’s Editor-in-Chief Barbara McGillivray recently joined the editorial board of the [Social Sciences and Humanities Open Marketplace](#). Her presence on this editorial board will expand the professional network of JOHD and encourage more work with open data and open data journals.

Barbara also presented at the training webinar [Data Notes on Open Research Europe: maximizing the visibility & discoverability of research data](#) on October 25th. Slides of this presentation are available [here](#).

Barbara McGillivray, Paola Marongiu, Nilo Pedrazzini, Marton Ribary, Mandy Wigdorowitz, and Eleonora Zordan published an MDPI publication titled “[Deep Impact: A Study on the Impact of Data Papers and Datasets in the Humanities and Social Sciences](#)” which discusses the work of JOHD and the role of data papers and research datasets in scholarly communication around those data.

Things to Look Out For

Barbara McGillivray, Marton Ribary, and Mandy Wigdorowitz, all members of the JOHD staff, will comprise the British team contributing to a recently funded [collaborative research partnership](#) with the Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information. This research collaboration seeks to explore peer review practices for research and tracking the impact of research data and datasets.

Barbara is also going to present more information about the future of data journals and opportunities for open data. This presentation will be given as part of Open Research Week in March of 2023 and can be found [here](#).

Stay posted for our next biannual newsletter in July and a smaller update in April. Be sure to [follow us on Twitter](#) for regular updates about the journal, including talks about the journal, new editorial board, major publications, staff updates, and more!

For questions, comments, or opportunities, reach out to the staff at JOHD at our email address: openhumanitiesdata@ubiquitypress.com.

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