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ScienceOpen Partners with Longleaf Services to feature University Presses' Sustainable History Monograph Pilot Collection

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<u>ScienceOpen</u>, the interactive discovery platform providing customizable solutions for publishers, has partnered with <u>Longleaf Services</u> to provide metadata and promotional services for its Mellon-funded initiative, <u>the Sustainable History Monograph Pilot</u> (SHMP).

The Sustainable History Monograph Pilot is an open access pilot aiming to push academic book publishing to the open model. Longleaf Services works with university presses to publish open digital editions of high-quality books in the field of history. ScienceOpen has indexed 33 book publications in the Sustainable History Monograph Pilot featured collection to help spread awareness of the works and the SHMP initiative. By joining the platform, the works of the SHMP are now in the context of 72 million scholarly records, 4.5 million of which are book records. The works of the SHMP will be discoverable by ScienceOpen's advanced search engine and will receive promotion through ScienceOpen's social media platforms as a featured Collection. Moreover, ScienceOpen's Collections infrastructure clearly presents the Sustainable History Monograph Pilot, with branding and collection details explaining the role of Longleaf Services.

"It is vital that OA monographs be highly discoverable and accessible in order for them to be widely read, used, and cited. This partnership with ScienceOpen will significantly expand the impact of the books in our program and the reach of the 21 participating presses," said John Sherer, director of UNC Press and Primary Investigator of the Sustainable History Monograph Pilot.

Stephanie Dawson, CEO of ScienceOpen says, "It has been a pleasure to partner with Longleaf Services to integrate the open access Sustainable History Monograph Pilot on ScienceOpen. We are proud to keep expanding our technical services to better accommodate book records on the platform to make them more discoverable by our ever-growing community of diverse users."

As an open access publisher and proponent of open science, ScienceOpen is proud to be able to support Longleaf's Mellon-funded Sustainable History Monograph Pilot. See below for more information about ScienceOpen and Longleaf and for contact details.

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About ScienceOpen:

From promotional collections to Open Access hosting and technical support, <u>ScienceOpen</u> provides next-generation services to academic publishers embedded in an interactive discovery environment. ScienceOpen was founded in 2013 in Berlin and Boston by <u>Alexander Grossmann</u> and <u>Tibor Tscheke</u> to accelerate research communication.

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About Longleaf:

As a not-for-profit affiliate of The University of North Carolina Press, Inc., <u>Longleaf Services</u> began providing cost-effective distribution and fulfillment services for university presses in 2006. In 2015, Longleaf received a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to significantly expand its publishing services, specifically in the areas of editorial, design, production, marketing, and operations.

Since then, Longleaf has been involved with several major grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Arcadia Fund, and other organizations to support innovation in university press publishing. Grants have supported the creation of new work-flow tools for the development and distribution of open access monographs and the exploration of open-sourced tools to support a wide range of university-based publishing activities. Participation in these grants keeps us on the cutting edge of innovation in scholarly publishing.

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