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ScienceOpen partners with university presses from Vilnius and Liverpool to support university publishing

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ScienceOpen is pleased to announce that [Vilnius University Press](#) (VUP) and [Liverpool University Press](#) (LUP) have joined ScienceOpen in a partnership that integrates new collections in humanities, social and life sciences on the platform. As the latest university presses on ScienceOpen, VUP and LUP join our portfolio of successful collaborations with [UCL Press](#), [University of Huddersfield Press](#), [Tsinghua University Press](#), [Ternopil National Medical University](#) and [FZ Jülich](#).

Vilnius University Press is the largest academic publisher in the Baltic states and the official publisher for the [University of Vilnius](#) – one of the oldest and most well-known higher education institutions in Eastern and Central Europe founded in 1579. VUP's featured collection '[Vilnius University Press](#)' on ScienceOpen gathers the latest multidisciplinary research findings from [Vilnius University](#) in one easily searchable place with a myriad of sorting and filtering tools.

Liverpool University Press is the UK's third oldest university press and an award-winning academic publisher that specializes in literature, modern languages, history and visual culture. Included in the [Liverpool University Press](#) Super Collection will be the following research collections:

- '[Liverpool University Press Planning and Development](#)' – featuring all publications from the highly regarded peer-reviewed journals [International Development Planning Review](#) and [Town Planning Review](#),

and coming shortly

- '[Modern Languages Open \(MLO\)](#)' – featuring publications from the Modern Languages Open, a peer-reviewed platform for open access research in modern languages.

Placed in an interactive discovery environment on ScienceOpen, these two university publishers will benefit from a complete infrastructure for preprints, open and closed peer review, and community curation. The cutting-edge technology for scholarly publishing provided by ScienceOpen enables scholars to interact with research in a faster and more accessible way, and encourages collaboration within the research community.

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Dr. Stephanie Dawson, CEO of ScienceOpen, says, “As university presses continue to develop their role as leading players in the transition to Open Access publishing, ScienceOpen is ready to support them with cutting-edge technology and discovery tools.”

Dr. Vincas Grigas, Head of Scholarly Journals at Vilnius University Press, states, “We hope that collaboration with ScienceOpen will be a step forward to make open access publications more accessible and visible. We believe that the user-centered approach to discovery with ScienceOpen’s sophisticated search tools combined with freely accessible open access articles can reach a broader audience beyond the university.”

Clare Hooper, Head of Journals at Liverpool University Press, says, “We are delighted to be working with ScienceOpen to highlight our content during the discovery process in featured collections. We believe this partnership will help us to further our mission of disseminating scholarly research.”

ScienceOpen believes that integrating university presses’ publications in the form of featured collections on the platform makes innovative academic research available to audiences beyond the university and looks forward to continuing to make science open in collaboration with university presses in the future.

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About ScienceOpen:

From promotional collections to Open Access hosting and full publishing packages, [ScienceOpen](#) provides next-generation services to academic publishers embedded in an interactive discovery platform. ScienceOpen was founded in 2013 in Berlin and Boston by [Alexander Grossmann](#) and [Tibor Tscheke](#) to accelerate research communication.

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About Vilnius University Press:

Continuing its academic publishing traditions since 1575, Vilnius University Press publishes scientific, informational, representative, science promotion books, study literature, periodical journals and doctoral theses. Vilnius University Press is the leader of academic publishing houses not only in Lithuania, where according to the number of book titles published it is in the top ten publishing houses in Lithuania (including commercial publishing houses), but also in the Baltic states. Vilnius University Press publishes about 50 titles of books, 60 volumes of scientific periodicals and 150 doctoral dissertations every year. Vilnius University Press publishes 33 peer-reviewed periodicals and series and is the largest publisher of scientific periodicals in the Baltics.



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About Liverpool University Press:

Acclaimed as one of the great success stories in the difficult climate of modern academic publishing, Liverpool University Press will publish more than 150 books, 34 journals and a number of digital collections as it marks its 120th year in 2019.

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