

Panel Discussion: How Are Publishers Building Trust in the Peer Review System?

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The world of scientific publishing is witnessing significant changes owing to the COVID-19 crisis. Collaborative efforts in response to the pandemic has necessitated quick dissemination, evaluation, and reporting of information, amounting to new challenges in the scholarly publishing ecosystem. It, therefore, becomes important that academia proactively works towards maintaining scientific integrity, and peer review is one critical mechanism to ensure this. **Enago** in collaboration with leading [academic publishing](#)

houses—**Wiley**, **IOP Publishing**, and **Karger Publishers**—conducted an interactive panel discussion to celebrate the highly-anticipated event of the year, **Peer Review Week 2020**! In sync with this year's theme "*Trust in Peer Review*", the session focused on discussing the policies and provisions followed by journals and publishers to reinforce the peer review system.



About the Panelists

Michael Willis, Senior Manager and Researcher Advocate, Wiley



After teaching Classics at secondary school and conducting postgraduate research in ancient history and literature, Michael Willis started his publishing career with CatchWord (later Ingenta) in processing and managing online journal content for STM publishers. He joined Blackwell Publishing (now Wiley) in 2005 as Editorial Services Manager, managing journal editorial offices in health sciences and a team of editorial assistants. In July 2014 he became Senior Manager, Peer Review, for all of Wiley's in-house EMEA editorial offices, overseeing the development and implementation of peer review best practice across all disciplines and peer review models, and developing our relationship with offshore vendors supporting editorial offices. Since October 2019 he has been Researcher Advocate within Wiley's Content Review team, promoting the work and functions of researchers as editors, peer reviewers and authors. Michael was President of the International Society of Managing and Technical Editors in 2016-2017.

Kim Eggleton, Research Integrity & Inclusion Manager, IOP Publishing



Kim Eggleton is Research Integrity & Inclusion Manager at IOP Publishing Limited. With over 15 year's experience in the scholarly publishing industry across both HSS and STEM, Kim is especially interested in peer review and the role of ethics and diversity within the broader publishing system.

Christna Chap, Head of Editorial Development, Karger Publishers



Christna Chap is Head of Editorial Development at Karger Publishers, where she oversees the journals' publication ethics and editorial policies. Prior to Karger, she worked as a journal editor handling peer review for various academic journals including PLOS Medicine, PLOS ONE and several BMC-series journals (BioMed Central). Christna studied Biotechnology at the ENSTBB in Bordeaux and has a Ph.D. in Molecular Biology from the Humboldt University in Berlin.

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