

Making scholarship accessible (digitally)

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Open access allows for research and scholarship to be available for free.

Crucial especially in fields where there is an urgent need to communicate and accelerate research quickly.

Also important for the democratisation of research for the benefit of a true 'knowledge commons'.

However, after the growth of open access, some challenges still remain.

Predatory journals as well as for-profit open access journals have made it difficult to identify good open access journals to work with.

Funding limitations arising from institutions, disciplines and national priorities.

As a result, the quality of open access journals are sometimes undermined and not recognised.

Lessons from a research project on built heritage and landmarks in Singapore



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Perceptions of Singapore's Built Heritage and Landmarks

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Key lessons

- Explore different ways to make the research accessible
- Data visualisations have different impacts in the way they help the public to interpret findings and contribute new knowledge
- Academic libraries are important and essential partners
- Self-archiving options are great, but we need to also develop about communications plans for maximum impact

 The Straits Times

[Changi control tower, Merlion ranked Singapore's top heritage ...](#)

IPS senior research fellow Natalie Pang said the study primarily revealed the diversity in public perceptions of heritage. The research work, which was centred on built landmarks that are at least 30 years old, also found
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 The Straits Times

[Merlion, Changi Airport Control Tower and Botanic Gardens ...](#)

IPS senior research fellow Natalie Pang said the trio of landmarks ... as to how Singaporeans appraise the country's built heritage. ... According to the study, older respondents aged 49 to 70 who perceived colonial buildings ...
Aug 14, 2019

