## ChronosHub wins Geological Society's RFP for APC Processing

After issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) in May this year, the Geological Society of London has chosen the ChronosHub platform to process their article processing charges (APC) for both journal and book content.

The ChronosHub platform will enable the Society and its stakeholders to manage author charges, a range of read & publish agreements, discounts, billing, and reporting. These features will support their existing open access publishing operations and will allow them to deliver on future plans.

Geological Society authors will be able to confirm their choice of publishing route, including participation in an eligible agreement, and deal with the payment of any charges through ChronosHub. The platform will allow all authors to sign publishing agreements - both for open and closed access publication routes - or delegate the signature to someone else.

As well as providing authors with a streamlined publishing experience, all institutional and consortia customers of the Geological Society will have access to the platform. Institutions and consortia will be able to download reports on their authors' publishing output, agreement uptake, and approve articles as part of a read and publish or transformative agreement.

For all of these reasons, Christian Grubak, Founder and Co-CEO at ChronosHub, ChronosHub is excited to welcome the Society to the platform. "The Geological Society will be the first publisher to process book charges through our platform; we're also showcasing our customization options for their bespoke license signature flow, allowing authors to delegate the signature of a publishing license to their employer."

These sentiments are echoed by Maggie Simmons, Director of Publishing at The Geological Society. "The Geological Society is looking forward to working with ChronosHub to manage article and book processing charges, member discounts, and billing and reporting for the Lyell Collection Read and Publish options. As a major Earth Science publisher our authors will benefit from a simplified process and our institutional and consortia customers will be able to download reports on publishing output and approve articles as part of our increasing number of Transformative Open Access agreements."

We are pleased to announce that the Geological Society of London will go live on the ChronosHub platform in November 2023.

## **About ChronosHub**

Headquartered in Copenhagen, ChronosHub is an online platform meeting the needs of all stakeholders in the research community: publishers, institutions, funders, and researchers. ChronosHub supports authors to select suitable journals for their manuscript submissions by making funding policies and institutional agreements transparent. ChronosHub streamlines the publishing workflow for publishers, institutions, and funders for effective APC management, funding policy compliance, automated repository deposits, and OA reporting.

## About the Geological Society of London

The Geological Society of London is a not-for-profit organization and a registered charity. Founded in 1807, they are the oldest geological society in the world. Today, they are a world-leading communicator

of Earth science – through scholarly publishing, library and information services, cutting-edge scientific conferences, education activities and outreach to the general public. They also provide impartial scientific information and evidence to support policy-making and public debate about the challenges facing humanity. The society's aims are to improve knowledge and understanding of the Earth, to promote Earth science education and awareness, and to promote professional excellence and ethical standards in the work of Earth scientists, for the public good.