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Astrid Söderbergh Widding, President of Stockholm University, chair of the negotiating group and the Bibsam Consortium's steering group, called this agreement "an important step in our transition to open science" adding that it would give the Bibsam members "better control over future expenses."

Judy Verses, Executive Vice President of Wiley Research, welcomed the initiative and underscored the importance of it for openness in research.

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