# SCOAP<sup>3</sup> Newsletter #6

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#### Latest News

**Elsevier** and **SpringerNature** have recently analysed the logs of their journals participating in SCOAP<sup>3</sup> in order to evaluate the **impact** of the initiative.

<u>Elsevier</u> announced that **downloads** to their two journals, *Physics* Letters B and Nuclear Physics B have **doubled** since they became Open Access at the start of SCOAP<sup>3</sup> in January 2014.

<u>SpringerNature</u> also observed a doubling of downloads to the *European Physical Journal C* and the *Journal of High Energy Physics* downloads.



### Partnership Activity

SCOAP<sup>3</sup> is pleased to announce the dates of the upcoming **3**<sup>rd</sup> Forum. The format will follow previous successful events: updates on the initiative, the partnerships, the impact, with time for open discussions. The Forum will be organized in two identical sessions to allow participation in Asia and Australia in the afternoon, in Europe and Africa in the morning and afternoon, and in North and Latin America in the morning:

- Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00am CET / 5:00pm CST / 6:00pm JST
- Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm CET / 8:00am PST / 11:00am EST

A recording of the webcast and slides will be available on the SCOAP<sup>3</sup> website: <u>scoap3.org/support/</u>

The Forum will also allow us to welcome new SCOAP<sup>3</sup> partners.



### Tech Corner

<u>Scoap3.org</u> now shows live information about the number of articles. Just check the **Article Count** tab on the homepage: a plug-in connecting the SCOAP<sup>3</sup> repository to the website, shows in real-time the current number of articles published in the participating journals.

🖌 Latest News	Article Count	Newsletter				
Last update on: 15/10/2016						
Journal Name						
Acta Physics Polonica B						
Advances in High Energy Physics						
Chinese Physics C						

The new Newsletter tab on the homepage gives you quick access to the all the SCOAP $^3$  newsletters.

Over the next months we are going to **upgrade the SCOAP<sup>3</sup> repository** software to improve usability and performance. Please share your suggestions with us though the **idea board**.

API Stats: 52 registrations / 18 apps running Register now! api.scoap3.org Article Count

As of	Sept.	30 <sup>th</sup>	2016
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Journal	# articles 2014	# articles 2015	# articles 2016
ACTA	11	27	17
AHEP	198	160	127
CPC	18	30	34
EPJC	525	602	544
JCAP	236	198	164
JHEP	2,009	2,160	1,699
NJP	9	8	8
NPB	321	320	345
PLB	890	875	774
PTEP	63	97	51
TOTAL	4,280	4,477	3,763



### ExCo Activity

<u>Meetings held:</u> Jul 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th:</sup> Aug 16<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Sep 13<sup>st</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>

#### <u>Decisions</u>

- ☑ Manage communications around extension of SCOAP<sup>3</sup>
- ☑ Plan next Forum and GC meetings

#### Discussion items

- Received operations and outreach status updates
- Pro-actively supported outreach to future partners
- Received regular updates on Phase 2 implementation progress

SCOAP<sup>3</sup> is a global partnership of libraries, research centers and funding agencies to convert High-Energy Physics journals to Open Access at no cost for authors.