

## Press Release

### **HARRASSOWITZ Partners with Purchase to Open Initiative to Advance Open Access for Academic Books**

**Wiesbaden, Germany – March 26, 2026.** HARRASSOWITZ, leading supplier of scholarly content published throughout Europe, is pleased to announce its partnership with the Purchase to Open (P2O) initiative, continuing its support of open access content for academic monographs.

Purchase to Open is a collaborative funding model that brings together libraries, publishers, and booksellers to make high-quality scholarly books openly accessible. By combining established acquisition workflows with a community-based pledging scheme, P2O allows libraries to support the open access publication of individual titles in a transparent and efficient way.

Under the P2O model, publishers submit upcoming publications with a defined funding target. Libraries can then pledge their support via their preferred bookseller. If enough institutions participate and the funding threshold is reached, the title is published open access. If the threshold is not met, participating libraries still receive perpetual access to the e-book through a standard campus license.

#### **Seamless Integration into Library Workflows**

P2O titles are now included in *Fokus*, the HARRASSOWITZ system for acquisition and management of scholarly resources. Users can make their pledges directly at the selection / ordering level by using existing workflows and templates. In addition, where titles match subject profiles, HARRASSOWITZ will send New Title Announcements which link back to the records in *Fokus*.

HARRASSOWITZ is pleased to continue its support of moving content to open access and building tools to assist libraries with all open access models. For questions regarding Purchase to Open or any of our open access services, please contact your Regional Sales Manager or [service@harrassowitz.de](mailto:service@harrassowitz.de).

#### **About HARRASSOWITZ**

Established in 1872, HARRASSOWITZ has been serving libraries around the world for more than 150 years. Customers value HARRASSOWITZ for the quality and accuracy of its services and for its industry-leading and innovative solutions.

HARRASSOWITZ specializes in providing a comprehensive range of high-quality collection support services to academic and research libraries for e-content, periodicals, continuations, books, and music scores.

For more information, see <https://www.harrassowitz.de>.



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## About Purchase-to-Open (P2O)

Purchase to Open is a collaborative, cross-publisher initiative operated by Transform to Open GmbH that enables the open access publication of scholarly books through collective library funding and integration into existing acquisition workflows. P2O promotes high-quality content from the humanities and social sciences in a particularly resource-efficient manner.

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