

## Q&A report from: Crossref community call: The shape of things to come

Question	Answer
Responding to Ginny: I work for the University of the Bundeswehr in Munich, we're a fairly small private university. I'd be interested in knowing whether we're a member of Crossref, since I'm not aware. :)	Hi [attendee], just checked for you and unfortunately no, the University of the Bundeswehr in Munich is not a member of Crossref. Maybe that's gonna change soon though :)
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What if we have a contract via a third party (National Library)? How the fees will be charged	live answered
Regarding API, would it be possible to connect the journal online submission system to the CrossRef via API?	Hi Iva, our REST API is for retrieving metadata. But if you want to programmatically send metadata as a member/sponsored member then you can do so via HTTPS POST: https://www.crossref.org/documentati on/register-maintain-records/direct-de posit-xml/https-post/
Regarding API, would it be possible to connect the journal online submission system to the CrossRef via API?	And some submission systems do have plugins for content registration with Crossref, it depends which platform you are on and how well they have integrated really. Often it's a venor or a hosting platform rather than a submission platform but it varies. Members can give permission to any vendor to deposit on their behalf.



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Yes, we will share the slides and the recording with everyone afterwards!
And a lot of the information about RCFS is available at https://www.crossref.org/community/s pecial-programs/resourcing-crossref/
Yes, the new content registration form for journal articles contains a field for licence information (URL). In the first live version we will probably not have a pre-set list of CC licences to choose from (which would mean not having to copy and paste the licence URL into the form), but we are aware that this would be valuable for many members so it's on our radar as a future improvement.
Books/book chapters are one of the top 2 content types (the other being conference papers) that we want to build a new content registration form for next. However we haven't started work on this yet and are still refining the journal article form at the moment. So watch this space!
I will also be saying this in my section but if you want to talk more about our new content registration forms, please get in touch (Istoll@crossref.org) and I'd be happy to arrange a call and demo!
Metadata Manager has not been actively supported for a few years already, and we do plan to deprecate it fully soon. But of course we won't do so until the new form is live and fully



	functional so that journal articles can be registered through that instead. I will briefly touch on this in my presentation after this part!
Great, thank you!	:)
Ok thank you so much.Let me hear your section first. Very friendly, anyway. I will probably come back to this.	Gern geschehen!
When we can approximately expect the new form release?	live answered
would you please share the link of the webform for article metada submission?	We don't quite have a link yet that we can publicly share because the form is currently connected to our test deposit system rather than the live one. But if you'd like to try it out before it goes live, you can get in touch at Istoll@crossref.org and I can demo it to you with my credentials!
Will the Web Deposit Form continue to be available?	live answered
Unrelated to the submission form, I hope a general question is okay too: There are currently proprietary online platforms offering to send me alerts for specific events, e.g. whenever one of my works gets cited. How easy or difficult is it to replicate this functionality with Crossref? I see there is an API to query citations of a specific article and even be notified with updates. Is Crossref interested in working with volunteer developers (such as me $\bigotimes$ but I know others working on similar projects) to make these kinds of alerts more easily accessible for non-technical users?	



In this new form, will we be able to update	You will be able to download a JSON
information? For example, if we submit in press	file at the end of the process which can
version, can we later just update it to the	be loaded back into the form to make
published version once it is published?	changes to the metadata later on
In this new form, will we be able to update	But some basic information that is
information? For example, if we submit in press	required by our schema will need to be
version, can we later just update it to the	provided upon the initial registration
published version once it is published?	already!
Thank you	