

## Panel: Balancing Openness and Rights: Intellectual Property & Data Protection in Diamond OA Book Publishing

*Tuesday, 7 October 2025 12:30 (1 hour)*

This panel examines the balance between openness and the protection of authors' rights, institutional assets, and sensitive data. Panellists will debunk OA myths and show how Diamond OA aligns with copyright, Creative Commons, and data protection in the Nigerian and African context.

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