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# Spotlight on Open Knowledge Dissemination in Asia: Global Collaborations Towards an Open Future for Chemistry

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Dive into the future of open science in Asia through a dynamic panel and hands-on workshop.

Hear directly from regional experts on the challenges and innovations shaping open knowledge dissemination in chemistry - then join fellow participants to share experiences, tackle barriers, and co-create practical solutions.

Be a part of the movement driving a more open, equitable, and connected research landscape.

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### Format: Panel + Interactive Workshop

This special session will explore the opportunities and challenges surrounding open access (OA) in Asia with a particular focus on chemistry. Designed in two parts, the session will begin with a panel discussion followed by an interactive workshop.

## Part 1: Panel Discussion – Regional Experiences with Open Access

A panel of experts from across Asia will share their personal and institutional experiences with Open Science and Open Access. They will reflect on the unique challenges in the region — from funding and infrastructure constraints to language barriers and regulatory inconsistencies—and discuss the transformative potential of OA for the chemical sciences in Asia. The panel will highlight regionally relevant solutions and collaborative approaches that have helped advance open knowledge dissemination.

### Part 2: Interactive Workshop - Sharing Challenges and Co-Creating Solutions

In the second part of the session, participants will engage in small-group and plenary discussions to share their own experiences, challenges, and perspectives on OA in their local contexts. This collaborative segment will focus on identifying practical ways that researchers can take an active role in driving the open access agenda across Asia. Participants will work together to surface actionable ideas, build connections, and strengthen a shared vision for a more open, equitable, and sustainable research ecosystem in the region.

Attendees will leave with a deeper understanding of the OA landscape in Asia and a stronger sense of how they can contribute to regional and global efforts to democratize access to scientific knowledge.