

2. Table B: Exemplarity criteria for editorial content

ESSENTIAL (12 criteria)	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED (7 criteria)	DESIRED (4 criteria)
BA Governance, integrity and editorial policy		
1 Definition and public dissemination of the composition and method of setting up editorial bodies (editorial committee, etc.)	5 Open, diversified and regularly renewed editorial bodies (limited mandates which may be renewed)	
2 Selection and evaluation of scientific content by peers according to clearly stated procedures		
3 Public dissemination of a priori or a posteriori procedures taken for the purpose of scientific integrity (data fabrication, plagiarism, etc.)		
4 The editorial line (of the journal or series) and editorial procedures (including evaluation processes) must be clearly displayed		
BB Legal framework		
1 Description and public display of the contractual framework established with the authors and the licensing policy	3 Use of the most open license possible (preferably the Creative Commons Attribution CC-BY)	
2 Authors should retain all their rights, in compliance with the license (no exclusive transfer to the publisher or a third party)		
BC Business model – general points		
1 The business model shall be explicitly made available for public consultation		4 The submission and publication of articles do not depend on the payment of unit publication costs (such as “APC” or “BPC”)
2 Publication in immediate and full open access, now or after a transition process programme		
3 There must be a strategy for the medium-term economic viability of the journal or collection		
BD Business model – The special case of journals and collections with unit payment of publication costs (type “APC” or “BPC”)		
1 Transparency, proportionality and reasonable nature of the price for the	3 Possibilities of exemption from possible publication costs	

services invoiced, where applicable, taking into account the reality of the cost and service provided	depending on the author's affiliation institution (middle- and low-income countries, institution supporting the journal or collection, etc.)	
2 Evolution of possible publication costs in the framework of a contractual commitment		
BE Accessibility, interoperability and sustainability of contents		
1 Free access to all content without identification and DRMs	2 Unique identifier and referencing mechanism (e. g. DOI) for each editorial unit (article or book chapter)	6 Open dissemination of research data associated with a publication where the legal framework allows this to be the case.
	3 Open, standardized, structured, documented, valid, easily accessible and interoperable data and metadata	7 Separable formats (pdf, epub, xml, etc.) for each editorial unit
	4 Content and end-user interface accessibility policy for public groups with difficulty of access and areas with limited Internet speed	8 Use of ORCID for author identification
	5 Conditions for the long-term storage and accessibility of content	

Clarification of some of the criteria for editorial content and projects combining several editorial contents (table B):

- BB2: the publishing contract signed by the author must not restrict the chosen license.
- BC2: the transition process must not exceed the duration of the requested funding.
- BD1: provide the publication cost rates with justification and breakdown of the costs.
- BD2: a commitment is required for a significant period extending beyond the duration of the financing.
- BE4: for those who are prevented from reading, whether readers or contributors, clarification is expected on the accessibility of editorial content (e. g. Epub 3 Accessibility 1.0, CSS 3 formats), digital dissemination platforms (WCAG 2.1) and software tools (CMS).