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De Gruyter eBound Foundation creates fund to support open access scholarship on climate change

Boston, MA – 24 July 2025— The De Gruyter eBound Foundation has established a fund to support the publication of scholarly monographs devoted to climate change. All sponsored books will be published in openly licensed editions and released, without embargo, on University Press Library Open ([UPLOpen.com](https://uplopen.com)), one of the largest online collections of free-to-read academic books.

The fund, which is being managed by De Gruyter eBound, will make publication grants available to the more than 60 publishers affiliated with [Paradigm Publishing Service's](#) University Press Library (UPL) program including De Gruyter Brill and its partner presses. To be eligible, monographs must address climate change and climate action as defined by Goal 13 of the United Nations [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs), which calls for “urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.”

“The launch of this fund is a response to the current political uncertainties around the funding and publication of climate research,” said Peter Potter, Executive Director of De Gruyter eBound. “While the fund will not make up research grant shortfalls, we believe that support for the dissemination of climate research is necessary, and it correlates directly with a central focus of UPLOpen—drawing attention to the United Nations SDGs.”

The fund has been seeded with an initial USD 100,000 so that grants can be offered immediately for books currently in production. To supplement the fund and ensure that it can continue to support climate change research in the years to come, the eBound Foundation is actively seeking new donations from leading research institutions, foundations, and other funders.

“This timely and important initiative will help ensure that cutting-edge research on climate change continues to be published and that it reaches the widest possible readership,” said Erich van Rijn, Executive Director of the University of California Press. “As a publisher deeply committed to addressing the climate crisis and environmental justice through its publications, the University of California Press welcomes this support and looks forward to collaborating with the eBound Foundation to advance knowledge and inspire action.”

For more information about the UPLOpen Climate Action Fund or to learn how to support it, please contact Peter Potter, Executive Director of De Gruyter eBound at peter.potter@degruyterbrill.com.

About The De Gruyter eBound Foundation

De Gruyter eBound, a 501 (c) (3) public foundation established in 2022 in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the independent academic publisher De Gruyter (now De Gruyter Brill), on the belief that the humanities and social sciences are vital to a healthy and diverse knowledge ecosystem. Its mission is to help small and independent publishers in these fields thrive in an evolving scholarly communication system.

About UPLOpen

University Press Library Open (UPLOpen) is an ambitious effort to democratize access to scholarly knowledge and advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). The innovative website, [UPLOpen.com](https://uplopen.com), offers a single access point to a curated collection of over 10,000 open access books from many of the world's leading scholarly publishers. UPLOpen is also home to two unique and complete series collections: *Luminos*, from the University of California Press, and *Toward an Open*

Monograph Ecosystem (TOME), a five-year pilot project of the Association of American Universities, Association of Research Libraries, and Association of University Presses. For more information, please visit www.uplopen.com.

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