

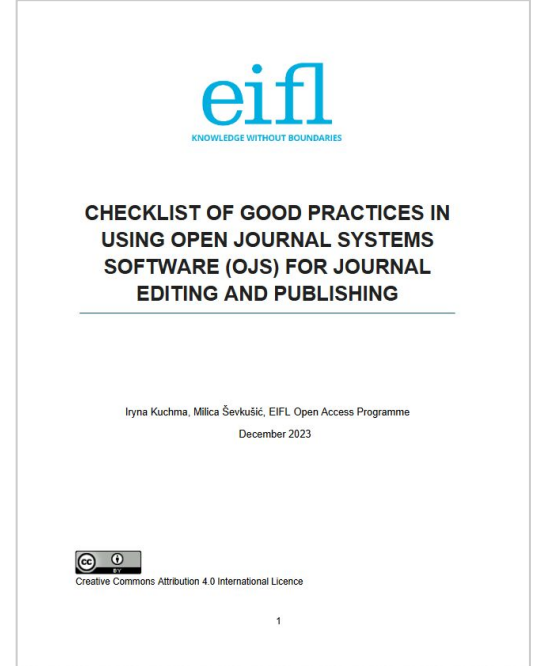
# Open Journal Systems: Best Practices and Use Cases

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# Open Journal Systems

- Created and managed by Public Knowledge Project (PKP), non-profit research initiative
- First released in 2001
- GNU General Public License
- Website: <https://pkp.sfu.ca/software/ojs/>
- Technical documentation: <https://docs.pkp.sfu.ca/dev/>
- [More than 50,000 journals worldwide use OJS](#)

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## Why?

- OJS is widely used free and open-source software (FOSS)
- Interesting new developments technical improvements, alignment with best publishing practices, better interoperability with other FOSS software solutions and scholarly infrastructures, and more
- Huge community interest and growing needs

## Our focus

- Use cases, best practice and experience sharing
- Practical advice
- Recommending specific tools
- Handling challenges
- Community and networking

Let's compile a directory of useful OJS tools and plugins: [OJS tools and plugins.xlsx](#)

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# Agenda

- Use of OJS in Zambian journals  
(Dr Lighton Phiri)
- JATS XML Converter Service  
(Ljiljana Jertec Musap)