

NAVIGATION

Journal of the (US) Institute of Navigation to be open access

In the US the Institute of Navigation announced at the end of September that its journal, *NAVIGATION*, will be Open Access (OA) beginning on 1 January 2022.

NAVIGATION is one the leading peer-reviewed and indexed scientific journal publishing articles on all areas related to the art and science of Positioning, Navigation, and Timing (PNT).

Lisa Beaty, the journal's managing editor and executive director of ION commented: *'Moving NAVIGATION to an Open Access domain is critical to supporting ION's mission of advancing Positioning, Navigation, and Timing.'*

'Moving NAVIGATION to an OA platform will speed the delivery of timely PNT research, without the restrictions of paywalls or price barriers, to a worldwide audience. We want all scientists and engineers to be able to collaborate, analyse, and build upon each other's work for society's common good.'

The *NAVIGATION* Editorial Advisory Board's recommendation to the ION Council to move to an OA model is in keeping with the growing trend to broaden the impact and availability of scholarly research.

OA has been shown to increase citations, increase readership, improve the quality of paper submissions, improve search engine prioritization, and increase a Journal's Impact Factor (JIF).

The ION Council approved this recommendation at its 16 July meeting.

The past two years of technical papers that have been published in *NAVIGATION* will now be available free through the ION website, and after 1 January 2022, will be made available through numerous indexed and abstracted scientific bibliographic databases including: the Advanced Technologies & Aerospace Database (ProQuest); ArticleFirst (OCLC); COMPENDEX (Elsevier); Current Contents: Engineering, Computing & Technology (Clarivate Analytics); Earth, Atmospheric & Aquatic Science Database (ProQuest); Electrical & Electronics Abstracts (IET); Google Scholar (Google); INSPEC (IET); Materials Science & Engineering Database (ProQuest); Natural Science Collection (ProQuest); Science Citation Index Expanded (Clarivate Analytics);

SciTech Premium Collection (ProQuest); SCOPUS (Elsevier); Technology Collection (ProQuest); and Web of Science (Clarivate Analytics).

NAVIGATION's Open Access model will also be coupled with some changes to ION membership.

The Institute of Navigation will eliminate the price differential that was required to cover international mailing costs for members who reside outside the US.

Professional Membership will increase benefits to include 12 complimentary technical paper downloads per month – up from 12 per year – from ION's extensive database of technical papers published in official ION conference proceedings.

Students, Retired, and Corporate Associate members will also now enjoy 12 complimentary technical paper downloads per month. Premium Professional Member downloads will double from 25 to 50 complimentary technical paper downloads per month.

Printed/paper copies of *NAVIGATION* will be discontinued beginning with the Spring 2022 issue. Instead, ION members will receive an environmentally friendly link to download a compiled electronic copy of each issue.

For more information on *NAVIGATION*, readers invited to e-mail:
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About ION

The Institute of Navigation is a not-for-profit professional organization advancing Positioning, Navigation, and Timing (PNT). The Institute is a national organization whose membership spans worldwide. Additional information about ION can be found at www.ion.org