

ESTABLISHED IN CHILE, the Latin American Association of Scientific Publishing - ALAEC

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The founding assembly of the Latin American Association of Scientific Publishing (ALAEC), whose mission is to expand the global prominence of Latin American journals and research, was held on November 16th. The event was part of Latmetricas 2023, which took place at the Universidad de la Frontera in Temuco, Chile, with **60** participants, 15 in person and **45** online.

The creation of an association materializes an idea that has long been latent in the Latin American publishing community. In a direct consultation with editors, designed in the context of Latmétricas 2021, more than 75% of respondents expressed interest in being part of such an association, and the rest conditioned their membership on learning more about the proposal. From then on, an informal alliance of three continental pillars of scientific publishing, the Associação Brasileira de Editores Científicos (ABEC, Brazil), the Asociación de Editoriales Universitarios de Colombia (ASEUC, Colombia), and the Asociación Uruguaya de Revistas Académicas (AURA, Uruguay) led a working group that culminated in the approval, in Temuco, of the ALAEC Statute and Board of Directors 2024-2026.

Even though it was recently created, ALAEC already has the participation of the Red SARA, from Argentina, and the Red Chilena de Revistas Científicas de Acceso Abierto de Universidades Estatales.

Among ALAEC's proposals for action in favor of journals and Latin American research, the highlights are expanding the presence of authors from the northern hemisphere in journals, offering training for editors, and seeking funding for the journals, as well as courses with official funding agencies in different countries.

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