

The managing editors and editors of *MLQ: Mathematical Logic Quarterly*

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Open letter of the (former) editors and managing editors of MLQ concerning their resignation.

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(1) With this letter, the managing editors and editors of the journal *MLQ: Mathematical Logic Quarterly* inform the publisher *Wiley-VCH Verlag GmbH & Co. KGaA* (Wiley) of their intention to resign from all editorial duties at the earliest possible moment.

This means that the two managing editors with remaining contractual obligations (Manuel Bodirsky & Klaus Meer) resign with effect of the earliest possible date according to their contract; all other managing editors and editors resign with immediate effect. Editors with remaining contractual obligations will fulfill these obligations as required by their contracts.

(2) The managing editors and editors of MLQ believe that the academic editorial process guaranteeing scientific quality control should be entirely in the hands of an editorial team consisting of members of the academic research community that are entirely free from pressure or influence of commercial and profit-oriented interests. The role of the publisher in the editorial process is to provide the editorial team with an environment that efficiently assists them in their task and conforms to the specifications of the academic research community.

We strongly prefer that all research results are freely available around the world (“open science”) and that neither readers nor authors are charged for the dissemination of research results (“diamond open access”).

We believe that there is a tension between the interests of commercial and profit-oriented publishers and the main purposes of academic publishing; a cooperation of the academic community with a commercial, profit-oriented publisher is only fruitful if the publisher respects the expectations and demands of the academic community.

(3) Recently, Wiley has made unilateral decisions without consultation of the editors that affected the editorial process. We do not believe that Wiley is currently providing an environment that allows the editors to do their editorial work according to the standards of the academic community and free from the negative influence of commercial and profit-oriented interests.

(4) All editors who resigned with immediate effect ask Wiley to remove their names from their website, all advertising material, and all future publications of MLQ.

(5) The editors who resigned with immediate effect have formed a new diamond open access journal entitled *ZML: Zeitschrift für Mathematische Logik und Grundlagen der Mathematik* following the publishing principles outlined in (2). Additional information about the new journal can be found on its website

<https://zml.international>.