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Our editorial support application Copernicus Office Editor undergoes enhancements continuously and we develop new features and tools for the benefit of all users – authors, referees and editors. The following options are launched recently:

- **Referee Workload**: When an editor nominates referees (free choice, author's choice, system suggestions), the actual workload of this referee is shown. You are then aware of how many papers are currently reviewed by this referee, how many papers he/she has reviewed in the last 12 months, and how many reports he/she submitted in total. These numbers are counted throughout the whole Copernicus Office to avoid an overload of a referee who normally acts for another journal.
- **Subject Areas**: You can now define, that authors can use a multi-select of subject areas for their paper in each dimension and you can define, if individual subject areas should be excluded from the editor call and/or from the referee nomination (system suggestion), and/or from the alert service.
- **Status Filter**: The different personalized manuscript overviews for referees, editors and chief editors already provided sort options, search options, and the filtering for special issues. Now, you can also filter the status of the papers.
- **Archive**: All papers that reach a final status, i.e. published, rejected, withdrawn, cancelled, are automatically transferred to "My Manuscript Archive".
- **Copy-Editing Choice**: A check box for an editor to request copy-editing on a paper is now included in all decision forms that enable a publication, i.e. for interactive journals before the publication of the discussion paper as well as before the publication of the revised journal paper.
- **MS Types**: Journals can now define manuscript types which can (optional have to) be chosen by the authors during manuscript registration. The MS types are then shown alongside the manuscript in the respective overviews.
- **Visibility of Information**: Each user role specific manuscript overview shows only the information which fits to the respective user role. That means if a chief editor is author of a paper in his/her journal, he/she will not see information which should be invisible for authors in the Author's Overview, only in the Chief Editor's Overview.

Improvements in Preparation

- **DOIs for all Papers**: We are currently investigating the usage of dois for all papers. We will probably use CrossRef for this, because they offer nice extra features like citation analysis. The disadvantage: we have to go through all reference lists in the future and add the dois to those citations that have a doi but where the author have not mentioned this identifier. Therefore, we started a pilot to estimate the extra workload for this.

- **Cited in**: We are planning to integrate the article citation analysis from Scopus and CrossRef. Then, readers will see on the abstract page of each article "Cited in Scopus | Cited in CrossRef" → Citations to this article as recorded by Scopus and CrossRef.

- **Most Downloaded Papers**: In addition to the Most Commented Papers list for interactive journals, the most downloaded papers list shows the cumulative views of the individual papers.

- **Daily Alert Mails**: Instead of alert mails per article, we will send out cumulative alert mails per journal once a day.

- **Multi-SI Papers / Inter-Journal SIs**: Currently, SI papers are published in a journal as regular papers and are then bundled in this journal to a special issue. In the future, such a paper can also participate in 2 (or more) SIs. Furthermore, SIs can also be organized between 2 (or more) journals. Then the papers can be submitted to one of the participating journals, be published there regularly with the journal citation, but are then combined with papers from other journals to inter-journal SIs.

- **Chief Editor Statistics**: Chief Editors will have a portal where they can download journal statistics.

- **Publication is not foreseen**: We have implemented the status "Peer-Review Interrupted" for interactive journals, when the authors either do not post the final author comment after the discussion end or when the author do not submit the revised paper for peer-review completion. This status will also be implemented in the CO Publisher, i.e. alongside those discussion papers it will be shown "Final Publication in XX is not foreseen" (XX as the journal abbreviation).