

Transition of NPG into an Interactive Journal

It is our pleasure to announce the transition of the journal *Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics (NPG)* from an open access journal with a traditional review process into an interactive open access journal applying the public peer-review and interactive public discussion concept.

Since its launch in 1994 NPG followed the traditional single stage publication process. From 2014 on, all new submissions will undergo a two-stage publication process with the publication of an access-reviewed discussion paper (NPG Discussions) as the first stage and a final-revised journal article publication in NPG as the second stage. Only papers that successfully pass the open discussion involving publicly accessible reviewer comments will finally be published in NPG. For further information please see http://publications.copernicus.org/services/public_peer_review.html.

The concept of public peer-review was established in 2001, and is applied for 13 out of 15 EGU journals. It is designed to foster scientific discussion and to enhance the scientific quality assurance through increased transparency.

For the transition process we will have to put the NPG review system offline on Wednesday, 18 December 2013. On that day, no review activities and no new submissions will be possible. We will reactivate the review system on Thursday, 19 December 2013 regarding review activities. The manuscript submission, however, will remain deactivated until Thursday, 2 January 2014.

Manuscripts that are already in review will be finished in the traditional way.