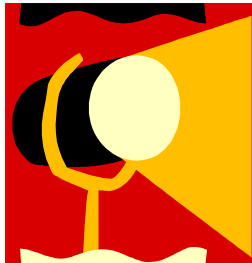


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Spotlight on: OPEN ACCESS INITIATIVES

Open access (OA) is the practice of providing unrestricted access via the Internet to peer-reviewed scholarly research. It is most commonly applied to scholarly journal articles, but it is also increasingly being provided to theses, scholarly monographs, book chapters, and entire books. OA can be provided in two ways:

Green open access self-archiving: Authors publish in any journal and then self-archive a version of the article for *gratis* public use in their institutional repository, in a central repository, or on some other open access website. What is deposited is the peer-reviewed postprint – either the author's refereed, revised final draft or the publisher's version of record.

Gold open access publishing: Authors publish in an open access journal that provides immediate open access to all of its articles on the publisher's website. (Those may be articles for which their authors or their author's institution or funder pay an open access publishing fee).

International Initiatives and Projects

EnablingOpenScholarship



EnablingOpenScholarship (EOS) is an organisation for universities and research institutions worldwide. The organisation is both an information service and a forum for raising and discussing issues around the mission of modern universities and research institutions, particularly with regard to the creation, dissemination and preservation of research findings.

The aim of EOS is to further the opening up of scholarship and research that we are now

seeing through the growing open access, open education, open science and open innovation movements.

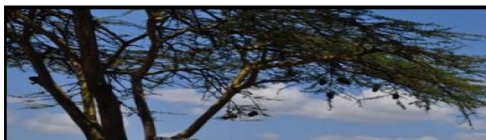
Membership is available to approved institutions and individuals who have an interest in furthering the aims of the organisation: that is, to support activities in this forum for raising and discussing issues around the mission of modern universities and other research institutions, particularly with regard to the creation, dissemination and preservation of research findings. Associations are welcome as collaborators but will not normally be eligible for membership. EOS membership is for senior institutional managers who have an interest in, and wish to help develop

thinking on, strategies for promoting open scholarship to the academy as a whole and to society at large.

The EOS website is a resource open to all. It provides background information, data and guidance material on open scholarship-related issues: university open access policy examples, resources on open access policy formulation, briefing papers, guides and presentations.

http://www.openscholarship.org/jcms/c_5012/en/home

Electronic Publishing Trust for Development



The Electronic Publishing Trust for Development (EPT) was established in 1996 to facilitate open access to the world scholarly literature and to support the electronic publication of reviewed bioscience journals from countries experiencing difficulties with traditional publication.

The Trust focuses on the biological sciences: including infectious diseases, public health, tropical medicine, biodiversity, environmental and agricultural sciences.

The main activities of the EPT are to:

- provide awareness of the benefits of electronic publishing
- maintain the EPT Blog to highlight developments
- support open access (OA) initiatives and make them known to developing country scientists and publishers
- transfer e-publishing and OA technology through supporting workshops, training and online resources
- support management and distribution activities
- provide e-publishing and OA advocacy through articles, presentations, workshops

The web-site includes news and links to OA resources.

<http://www.epublishingtrust.org>

OASIS



Open Access Scholarly Information Sourcebook (OASIS) aims to provide an authoritative 'sourcebook' on Open Access, covering the concept, principles, advantages, approaches and means to achieving it. The site highlights developments and initiatives from around the world, with links to diverse additional resources and case studies.

The online content is intended to provide training and resources for anyone or institutions who wish to provide open access to their research publications. The objectives are:

- to increase the number of trainers and centres of expertise worldwide
- to expand the knowledge base of open access implementation
- to share resources and best practices
- to demonstrate and record successful outcomes of OA around the world

Users are encouraged to share and download the resources provided, and to modify and customize them for local use. Resources include: news from the community, guides, presentations and overviews. Most materials were posted in 2010/2011

<http://www.openoasis.org/>

The Open Access Directory



The Open Access Directory (OAD) is a compendium of simple fac-

tual lists about open access (OA) to science and scholarship, maintained by the OA community at large.

By bringing many OA-related lists together in one place, OAD makes it easier for everyone to discover them, use them for reference, and update them. You can browse the table of contents, browse the table of categories, or use the search box.

OAD is a wiki -to help you just register and start editing. The OAD is hosted by the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Simmons College (Boston, US) and supervised by an independent editorial board. http://oad.simmons.edu/oadwiki/Main_Page

Open Knowledge Repository Partnership Program



The World Bank's Open Knowledge Repository (OKR) was launched in April

2012 and is the institution's official open access repository for its research and knowledge outputs.

The Office of the Publisher at the World Bank is creating a pilot program targeted at exploring interoperability with open access institutional repositories in Africa. The goal of the pilot program is to exchange technical expertise on how the content in a repository can be exposed to be more discoverable and re-usable. The World Bank is currently looking for institutions that are interested in participating in the pilot program.. Contact information is available at: <http://www.eifl.net/news/world-banks-okr-partnership-program>

<http://openknowledge.worldbank.org>

PLOS The Global Participation Initiative



To accelerate the pace of discovery, PLOS aims to re-

move existing barriers that prevent scientists from sharing, finding, learning from, and building upon the shared scientific body of knowledge.

It has been a long-standing policy at PLOS to offer reductions or waivers of publication fees. To supplement and expand this program they have turned attention to global authors by setting publication fees in two groups. For those publications where the funders are in group #1 PLOS will offer publication in its journals free of charge. For those in group #2 they offer publication at the flat fee of \$500. These groups will be reviewed on an annual basis.

<http://www.plos.org/about/viewpoints/global-participation-initiative/>

EPrints for Digital Repositories



Open source EPrints software provides a Web-

based Institutional Repository and is established as the easiest and fastest way to set up repositories of open access research literature, scientific data, theses, reports and multimedia.

<http://www.eprints.org/>

COAR



Confederation of Open Access

Repositories (COAR) is an association of repository initiatives. Launched in October 2009, COAR now has a membership of over 100 institutions worldwide from 35 countries and 4 continents. Its mission is to enhance the visibility and application of research outputs through a global network of open access digital repositories. <http://www.coar-repositories.org/>

OA REPOSITORIES REGISTRIES and SEARCH TOOLS

The Directory of Open Access Repositories – OpenDOAR



OpenDOAR is an authoritative directory of academic open access repositories. The current directory lists more than 2300 repositories and allows breakdown and selection by a variety of criteria. *OpenDOAR* is being developed and maintained by the University of Nottingham as part of a portfolio of work in Open Access and repositories under the SHERPA umbrella.

Users of the service are able to analyze repositories by location, type, the material they hold and other measures. The key point about *OpenDOAR* is that this information is of use not only to users wishing to find original research papers but also for third-party service providers, like search engines or alert services, who need easy to use tools for developing tailored search services to suit specific user communities.

<http://www.opendoar.org>

Institutional Repository Search

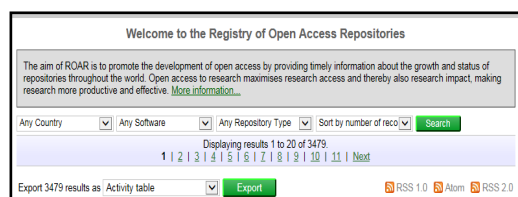


You can search across 130 UK academic repositories and find documents most

closely matched to your search terms and conceptually linked to your search results.

<http://irs.mimas.ac.uk/>

Registry of Open Access Repositories



The aim of ROAR is to promote the development of open access by providing timely information about the growth and status of repositories throughout the world. It includes information on more than 3400 repositories. You can search by country, repository type, software used. ROAR is hosted at the University of Southampton, UK.

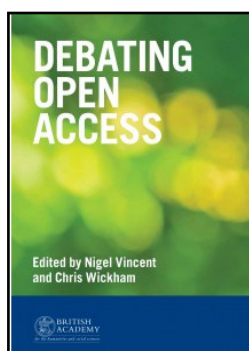
PUBLICATIONS and GUIDES on OA

About Open Access



- What is Open Access?
 - Who benefits from Open Access?
 - Putting Open Access into Practice
- <http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/>

Debating Open Access



Debating Open Access is a collection of a series of 8 newly commissioned articles reflecting on the challenges and opportunities for humanities and social sciences open access publishing practices.

Edited by British Academy Vice-Presidents Professor Nigel Vincent and Professor Chris Wickham the collection demonstrates that there is still much work to be done in ensuring that government policies to mandate open access publication do not damage the quality and reputation of UK academic research. The collection includes contributions from experts across the spectrum of humanities and social sciences research. Published: July 1, 2013

<http://www.socialsciencespace.com/2013/07/debating-open-access/>

Advocacy: How to hasten open access



Three advocates for a universally free scholarly literature give their prescriptions for the movement's next push, from findability to translations.

NATURE, Volume: 495, Pages: 442–443
Date published: (28 March 2013)

<http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v495/n7442/full/495442a.html>

The Future of Publishing. Nature Special Issue

“After nearly 400 years in the slow-moving world of print, the scientific publishing industry is suddenly being thrust into a fast-paced online world of cloud computing, crowd sourcing and ubiquitous sharing. Long-established practices are being challenged by new ones – most notably, the open-access, author-pays publishing model. In this special issue, *Nature* takes a close look at the forces now at work in scientific publishing, and how they may play out over the coming decades ...”

<http://www.nature.com/news/specials/scipublishing/index.html>

Self-Archiving FAQ

<http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/self-faq/>

Ten years on from the Budapest Open Access Initiative: setting the default to open

„The problems that previously held up the adoption and implementation of OA are solved, and the solutions are spreading. But until OA spreads further, the problems for which OA is a solution will remain largely unsolved. In this statement, we reaffirm the ends and means of the original BOAI, and recommit ourselves to make progress. But in addition, we specifically set the new goal that within the next ten years, OA will become the default method for distributing new peer-reviewed research in every field and country.“ September 12, 2012 <http://www.budapestopenaccessinitiative.org/boai-10-recommendations>

Guide to Institutional Repository Software

“Universities and research centers throughout the world are actively planning the implementation of institutional repositories. Such planning entails policy, legal, educational, cultural, and technical components, most of which are interrelated and each of which must be satisfactorily addressed for the repository to succeed.” <http://www.budapestopenaccessinitiative.org/resources/guide-to-institutional-repository-software>

Institutional Repository Bibliography

The Institutional Repository Bibliography (IRB) presents selected English-language articles, books, technical reports, and other scholarly textual sources that are useful in understanding institutional repositories.

Also includes information about IR software.

<http://digital-scholarship.org/irb/software.htm>

Open Access Initiatives in Africa — Structure, Incentives and Disincentives

Williams E. Nwagwu. *The Journal of Academic Librarianship*, Volume 39, Issue 1, January 2013, Pages 3–10. Special Issue on Open Access

“Building open access in Africa is imperative not only for African scholars and researchers doing scientific research but also for the expansion of the global science and technology knowledgebase. This paper examines the structure of homegrown initiatives, and observes very low level of awareness prevailing in the higher educational institutions and research institutes, organizations and governments. Increasing penetration of internet as well as growing proficiency in its use account for any evidence of OA movement in the region. The absence of interest and willingness of governments and policy makers to take a role in building the movement in the region makes any observed progress a fragmented one.” Free full-text.

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0099133312001929>

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- Telemedicine
- Resources on Pediatrics
- Patient Information Services

AIHA Related Resources

Electronic Health Care/Medical Libraries on the Internet

http://www.healthconnect-intl.org/files/ir-bulletin/Elib_Apr13.pdf

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Resources on Authorship Skills

http://www.healthconnect-intl.org/files/ir-bulletin/IRD_Nov12.pdf

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