



Open Access to Scientific Information and Research Concept and Policies

Serbia

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Current status of OA developments

- ✓ OA is topic for ten years
- ✓ journals - excellent (DOAJ 79), repositories - good
- ✓ librarians are promoters
- ✓ more than good, but not excellent
- ✓ there are:
 - ✓ some regional cooperation
 - ✓ some legislative (must be more)
 - ✓ some support (need much more)

Key national projects

Major players (organizations and institutions)

DOI Serbia

- repository of scientific local publishing journal (60)
- period 2002 - today (cca 22000 articles)
- create metadata and deposit to CrossRef (and as add on into DOAJ, Europeana, ...)

National Library of Serbia developed and maintained the whole system

Support: Government (Ministry responsible for science)

Workshops: Macedonia, Slovenia, Bosnia & Hercegovina and Georgia.

International recognized:

<http://www.oastories.org/2011/09/serbia-repositoryv-doiserbia/#more-16>

Key national projects

Legal deposit of publication

Deposition of the digital copy of the printed publication, publisher can choose to deposit it with the possibility of Open Access

National Library of Serbia and Matica Srpska Library

Number of deposits: 10200

In Open Access: 2500

Key national projects

Thesis (not enough, and not on the national level)

Mathematical Faculty

<http://elibrary.matf.bg.ac.rs/handle/123456789/4>

SASA - Institute of Technical Sciences

<http://www.itn.sanu.ac.rs/doktorati.html>

University of Novi Sad

<http://www.uns.ac.rs/sr/> (limited period of 1 month)

Key national projects

Promotion of Open Access at the University of Belgrade

had a goal to promote Open Access and encourage populating newly established Digital Archive of the University of Belgrade, PHAIDRA

University of Belgrade

Supporting Serbian journals publishers to switch to article processing charges OA model - a case study from Serbia - economic position of journal publishers struck by the budget crisis, so they can keep practicing OA publishing (CEON)

New Library Services at Western Balkan Universities - had a goal to implement new library ILS service - COBISS 3 and to establish the system for archiving and use of digital objects (Tempus - 3 Serbian Universities)

Legislative

Berlin declaration on Open Access to Scientific Knowledge - signed by Belgrade University (next year will be signed by University of Novi Sad)

Legal deposit of publication (October 2011)

Scientific journals supported by the Government must be deposited in Repository of National Library (from 2005)

Conferences

Traditional Belgrade (researcher oriented):

2003 Open Access to the Archives of Scientific and Professional Papers: From Idea to Realization

2005 Open Access Citation Indexes

2006 SSTBI'06: System of Scientific, Technologic and Business Information: Status and Perspective

2009 SSTBI'09: System of Scientific, Technologic and Business Information

2012 BOAC : Fifth Belgrade International Open Access Conference

In October Serbian Librarian Association Conference with OA as a topic (librarian oriented)

Potential barriers

Lack of knowledge in the researcher community about all the benefits (for them and for country)

Librarians are familiar with the OA phrase but they don't know the full meaning (curriculum)

Government waits for our initiative to propose mandate OA

Finally, OA cost and it's hard to find funds

Desired developments

Follow and learn from positive experience in more developed scientific communities

Promote and teach researchers about benefits of OA

Mandate OA in public funded projects (98% of money come from Government)

Changes in Library and Information Science curriculum i.e. to teach new generations of librarians about OA importance

Just in progress

Our goal: become a partner in OpenAire(+)

Pilot project called "Nasi u FP" which has goal to gather all articles published within FP projects funded by the European Commission (clause 39)

ePrints, but also educate researchers about importance of OA and to teach them how to do self depositing