Working Group Repository Content
COAR Working Group 1 aims to support members in populating their repositories through collecting, assembling and disseminating best practices for the inception, operation and growth of OA repositories. In 2013 the group published the report, "Incentives, Integration, and Mediation: Sustainable Practices for Population Repositories". It profiles a variety of successful practices for populating repositories from around the world. The aim of this report is to assist the global repository community in implementing sustainable methods for recruiting content.

Interest Group „Repository Impact and Visibility"

There are a number of activities that institutions can undertake in order to maximize the visibility of repository collections and ensure they are well established and well used resources. These include search engine optimization, integrating repositories into external discovery services, and promoting the repository locally with researchers and administrators. This interest group will explore and document existing approaches for maximizing repository visibility as well as develop new and innovative strategies for the various targeted user groups for adoption by repositories around the world.

Open Access Agreements and Licenses Task Force

This is a multi-stakeholder task force, initiated and supported by COAR, with members representing a number of different types of organizations (libraries, licensing agencies, library associations, and open access groups) with a common interest in promoting sustainable and effective practices for open access. The purpose of the task force is to monitor, evaluate and promote the implementation of effective open access agreements and licenses in order to improve access to research papers globally.

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