Interview with Marisa de Giusti:
"…the possibility of sharing – not only information, also networks"
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Anna-Maria Finta: Hello, I am Anna Finta. I am a student at the University of Vienna, studying Library and Information Studies. Today is the first day of COAR meeting, and next to me is Marisa de Giusti. Good afternoon.

Marisa de Giusti: Good afternoon.

AF: I would like to ask you: Where do you come from?

MG: I am from La Plata, a big city near Buenos Aires, Argentina.

AF: Why did you join COAR?

MG: Because COAR represents a very important effort related with sharing Open Access information. They are thinking about interoperability, they are thinking about Open Science, and they are thinking about different forms to measure the impact of research, the research impact in different countries. So I am here to learn about – to share our experience, because I work in the central repository at the La Plata University.

AF: I would like to also ask you: What is your role in COAR?

MG: The main role is to represent my university in COAR, my University of La Plata, and sometimes I talk about our national Open Access repository system, you know, but like I said a few minutes ago, I come here to share an experience, especially to learn about the others that are here.

AF: Okay. Another question: What is the added value of your participation in COAR?

MG: I suppose the possibility of share – not only information, also networks, repository networks in different countries, with different material, for example material related with research or academic material. And think together to interoperate and share this information over the world. From my point of view, that is the Latin American point of view, is to cross*(?)* very different scenarios, the Latin American scenario with the European scenario, in these things.

AF: Okay. One last question. And that is: How do you see the future developments of your archiving infrastructure and your library in connection with Open Access?

MG: Yes. Actually, in our country we are thinking about a data research plan, a data management plan – about data. Because until this moment we have a national law for Open Access, it is a mandate to the researchers to deposit the production, and not only articles, also

data. So now we are thinking how we will do the data management, because it is very hard, it is difficult. A lot of researchers have the data in laptops, and never think to share the data. And now we need to reproduce the research, not only to read an article about the research. Also can reproduce exactly what the researcher did about an area. So I suppose this is a goal in this moment in my country, a very important goal.

AF: Well, I want to thank you for your time, Marisa, and we as a team want to wish you a pleasant time in Vienna and at the COAR annual event.

MG: Thank you. Thank you so much.

AF: Thank you.