

Open Access in Sweden and the programme OpenAccess.se

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The National Library of Sweden (KB)

A tripod of duties

- Research library for the humanities
- Preservation of the Swedish cultural heritage
 - 1661- legal deposit of print material
 - 2009- recorded sound and moving images
 - 2013- mandated deposit of e-publications?
- Coordination of research libraries and public libraries
 - National catalogue LIBRIS
 - License consortia for journals and databases
 - Development and projects



The programme OpenAccess.se

Mission

- Promote free access to works produced by Swedish researchers, teachers and students by supporting Open Access publishing
- OA repositories and OA journals at Swedish higher education institutions (HEI's)

Support

- Association of Swedish Higher Education, Swedish Research Council, Royal Swedish Academy of the Sciences, Swedish Knowledge Foundation, Riksbankens Jubileumsfond

Organisation

- Steering committee – two working groups – one secretariat
- Project 2006-2009 – permanent programme from 2010



OpenAccess.se – results so far

- Yearly meetings and conferences – Librarians and researchers
- Seminars and information to researchers
- Web site openaccess.se and blog openaccess.kb.se
- DOAJ – Directory of Open Access Journals
- The search system SwePub and an infrastructure for university publication databases
- OA mandates from research funders and HEI's
- Member of EU project OpenAIRE



Research funding agencies with OA mandates

Government funding councils

- The Swedish Research Council, 2010
- Formas, 2010
 - Sustainable development
- FAS, 2011
 - Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research

Foundations

- Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, 2010
 - Social Science and Humanities
- Knut & Alice Wallenberg Foundation, 2010
 - Technical, natural sciences and biomedical fields
- The Foundation for Baltic and East European Studies, 2011



Higher education institutions with OA mandates

Mandates

- BTH (technical university college)
- Chalmers (technical university)
- Malmö University College
- Umeå University

Recommendations – 12 HEI's

- **Universities:** Karolinska Inst., Royal Inst Tech, Lund univ., Sw. Univ. Agricultural Sciences, Stockholm univ.
- **University Colleges:** Borås, GIH, Gotland, Halmstad, Jönköping, Kristianstad, Univ. West



A Swedish National Open Access policy?

- Vague promise from the Ministry of Education in 2009
- Formal address from the steering committee of OpenAccess.se in 2011
 - A clear goal in research policy to support a transition to OA
 - Relate to other goals in the national research policy
- Proposal integrated in the work with the national Research Bill, coming autumn 2012

OpenAccess.se:
 "... a national policy would increase the coordination, strength and pace of the process"



Swedish institutional repository systems

- All major Swedish HEI's have publication databases and OA repositories
- DiVA – a shared system used by 29 organisations
 - Run by the Uppsala University
- DSpace – used by 4
- Custom built – used by 3
- Eprints – used by 2
- PURE – Danish system used by 1



The SwePub search system

- The national library harvests records from HEI repositories using OAI-PMH
 - Merging duplicates
- SwePub gives access to metadata and publications in OA repositories from all HEI's
 - 480 000 publication records
- Persistent links to documents by URN service
- SwePub data may be used for statistics in the future
 - Swedish Research Council is investigating



Thanks for your attention!

Questions?

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