Mission Possible: The role of university libraries in 21st century scholarly communication in Hungary

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Abstract

The current global changes in the nature of scholarly communication slowly penetrate into the Hungarian research community.

The most active players in this changing environment are university libraries.

There are ten institutional repositories in OpenDOAR and twelve OA journals registered in DOAJ from Hungary.

University Libraries and the Library of the Academy of Sciences have joined their forces in HUNOR: HUNgarian Open access Repositories. They are represented in many European projects, they are maintaining an information site on OA in Hungarian, and are working with different groups of the scientific community to create a culture of open access in the country. The Database of Hungarian Scientific Works is under development with bibliographic and bibliometric data and links to fulltext where available.

The Hungarian Research Fund has signed the Berlin Declaration and is preparing new regulations on the open availability of scientific results of funded projects.

The proposed presentation intends to give the audience an overview of all these aspects of changes, achievements, plans, legislation, etc. that are taking shape on the map of 21st century scholarly life in Hungary.