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Towards a global network of open access repositories for research and scholarship

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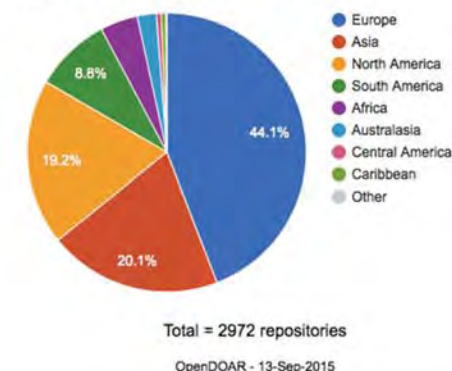
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Open access repositories are becoming key infrastructure components for research and scholarship



Proportion of Repositories by Continent - Worldwide



OpenDOAR has almost 3000 repositories listed



The COAR vision



A sustainable, global knowledge commons based on a network of open access digital repositories



...but we must collaborate and harmonize standards and practices!



Standards, policies, infrastructure, strategy, interoperability, support, awareness, integration...

Inspired by Tim Berners Lee

COAR aims to facilitate the vision by bringing together research repositories as part of a **global infrastructure**; to link across continents and around the world, enabling new forms of research and supporting new models of scholarly communication.



Factsheet



- COAR e.V., was founded in 2009 as an international association
 - Office is based in Göttingen, Germany
 - Members & Partners: over 100 institutions from 35 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, Northern and South America
 - Institutional membership fees: 500 Euros
- Members from Japan:
 - Digital Repository Federation (DRF)
 - National Institute for Informatics



Executive Board



As of Oct 2015:

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COAR Principles

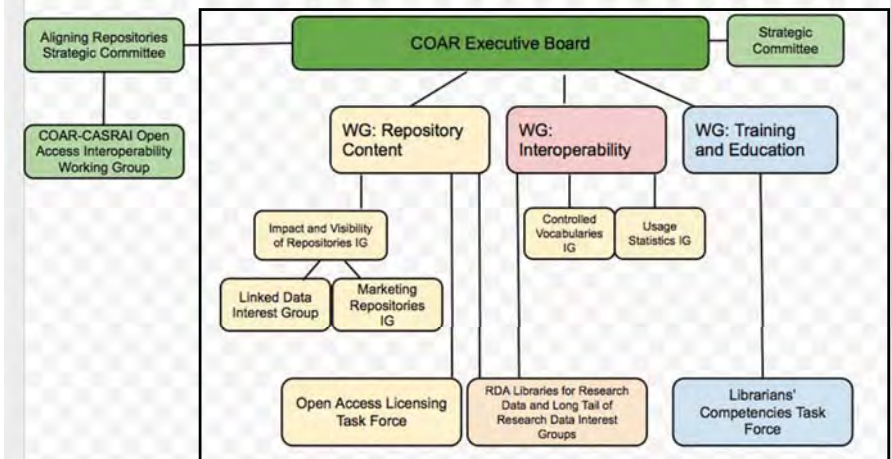


- **Global:** COAR focuses on the needs and issue of interest of repositories across the world
- **Sensitive to local differences:** COAR is cognizant of the tremendous diversity globally, and aware that needs will differ depending on the distinct regional environment.
- **Strategic:** Bringing together policy makers and regional networks to work for a future vision of repositories
- **Grass roots:** COAR aims to support developing local capacity at member institutions
- **Synergistic:** in order to achieve a common vision, repositories around the globe must adopt common approaches to policies, metadata schemas, vocabularies, etc.



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Overview of COAR Groups, Committees, and Task Forces



Global voice for the repository community

RAISE THE VISIBILITY OF REPOSITORIES AND THEIR VALUE



**Promoting Open Knowledge and Open Science
Report of the Current State of Repositories**

May 21, 2015

Produced by Confederation of Open Access Repositories (COAR) on behalf of
the COAR Aligning Repository Networks Committee

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Global voice for the repository community

*SHORT EMBARGO PERIODS ARE ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL
FOR OPEN ACCESS!*

- [COAR Statement on Embargo Periods](#): “Embargo periods dilute the benefits of open access policies and we believe that, if they are adopted, they should be no more than 6 months for the life and physical sciences, 12 months for social sciences and humanities.”
- [Statement against Elsevier's Sharing Policy](#): In their new policy, Elsevier has placed greater restrictions on depositing into institutional repositories (and imposed embargo periods to up to 48 months)

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Aligning repository networks

*A GLOBAL OPEN ACCESS INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIRES
COLLABORATION*

Why?

- To develop a seamless scientific infrastructure that supports the needs of researchers at the global level.
- To provide evidence that services are being developed in parallel with international activities.
- To provide uniform information about the impact of open access policies.
- To avoid duplication of work across networks and enable cost synergies in areas of common interest.

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How?

- Policy and advocacy: high-level coordination that raises the visibility and strengthens legitimacy of regional networks.
- Technical: adopting common set of interoperability standards to ensure that content can be aggregated across networks, facilitating discovery, re-use and the development of value added services.
- Service: common approaches to service adoption that would be of interest at the global level (e.g. common usage statistics across regions, routers, etc.).

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HARMONIZING METADATA WILL ENABLE NETWORK SERVICES TO BE BUILT ACROSS THE REGIONAL NETWORKS

- **COAR-CASRAI Working Group on Metadata for Open Access Repositories** – harmonizing metadata elements across repository networks.

Funding agency	Different approaches
Project/grant number	Different approaches
Author name	✓
Output types	Controlled vocabularies being proposed by COAR
Publication date	✓
Open access status	Different approaches
Embargoes	
Licenses	
Unique identifier for publication	✓
Jurisdictional information	Ø
Institution	Ø

Aligning repository networks

COAR AIMS TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN AN INTERNATIONAL
CONTROLLED VOCABULARY FOR OPEN ACCESS REPOSITORIES

- *COAR International Controlled Vocabulary* - develop, translating and maintaining a set of international controlled vocabularies (including into Chinese)

Resource Type Vocabulary

Introduction

The Resource Type Vocabulary defines concepts to identify the genre of a resource. Such resources, like publication research data, audio and video objects, are typically deposited in institutional and thematic repositories or published research. The Resource Type Vocabulary suggests a hierarchical model that relates narrow and broader concepts. Multilingual labels regard regional differences in language and term. Concepts of this vocabulary are marked with terms and concepts of similar vocabularies and dictionaries.

The Resource Type Vocabulary builds on and extends the controlled list of publication types defined in [Institutional Repository Metadata Model](#). Backward compatibility is ensured by a [suggested mapping](#).

The Resource Type Vocabulary is part of the [CCOAR Controlled Vocabularies](#).

Available Versions

Online: [Resource Type Vocabulary Draft v1.0 \(July 2015\)](#)
PDF: [Resource Type Vocabulary Draft v1.0 \(July 2015\)](#)
Linked Data Frontend: [url.org/cccoar/resource_type](#)


Do you have any comment for us?

The draft version 1.0 of the Resource Type Vocabulary is open for discussion and feedback from 1st August to 1st October 2015.

Please use the form to provide feedback to the CCOAR Controlled Vocabularies Editorial Board:

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DISCUSSING COMMON WAYS OF MEASURING USAGE

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COAR Webinar Usage Data for Repositories

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Working Group 1: Repository Content
 Related Task Forces and Interest Groups
 • Open Access Agreements and Licenses Task Force
 • Impact and Visibility Interest Group

Working Group 2: Repository Interoperability
 Related Task Forces and Interest Groups
 • Usage Statistics Interest Group
 • Task Force: Controlled Vocabulary for Repository Assets

Working Group 3: Repository and Repository Networks Support and Training
 Related Task Forces and Interest Groups
 • Joint Task Force on Librarians' Competencies in support of e-Research and Scholarly Communication

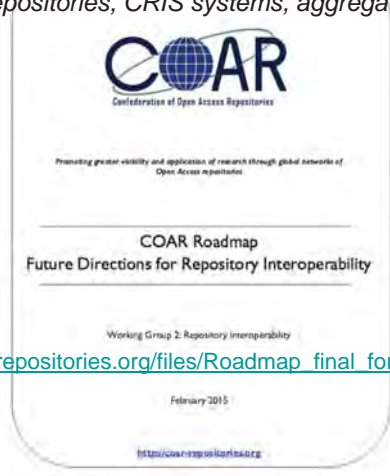
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 • Matthias Müller
 • Heidi (2)
 • David Becker
 • Matthias Müller
 • Francesca (2)
 • Nelson Kibung'u
 • Paul Swenson
 • Frank Smith (36)
 Chat (4 messages)
 David Becker: Hi, we start in 10 minutes
 Matthias Müller: Hi, will start at 4pm Central European Time, I'll be there Download Time, sorry for the trouble in PDF's format. I'll be there from 4pm to 5pm
 Paul Swenson: Ok!

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Interoperability with other systems

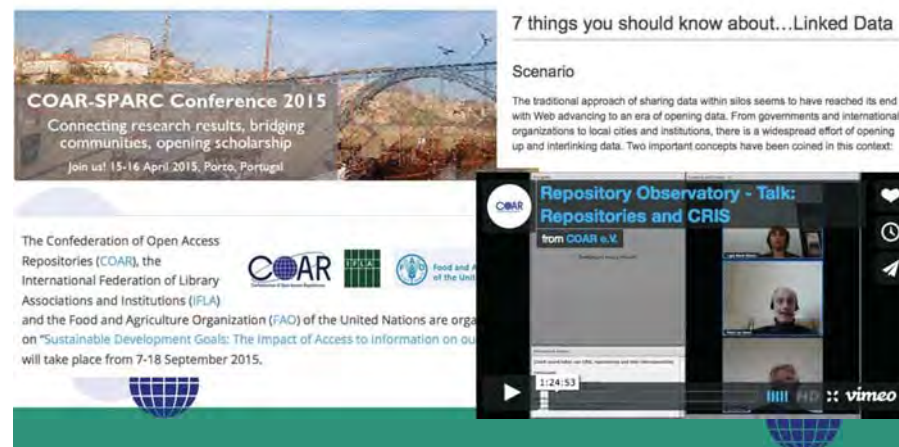
Repositories must be integrated and interoperable with other systems such as research data repositories, CRIS systems, aggregators, etc.



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Developing local capacity

SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATIONS DEPENDS ON CAPACITY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL



Developing local capacity

SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATIONS DEPENDS ON CAPACITY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL

- Planned for 2016:
 - International best practices for repository management
 - Pilot projects partnering two COAR institutions for knowledge transfer and staff exchanges

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Through COAR, members can:

- Pursue a common vision
- Promote policies and practices that support repositories
- Network with international colleagues
- Develop skills and knowledge
- Monitor trends
- Participate in a community of practice
- Learn about standards and best practices

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For more information:



Participants of the COAR Meeting in Portugal 2015

- Visit the COAR Website: www.coar-repositories.org
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- Contact the COAR office to register your interest in becoming a member of COAR: office@coar-repositories.org
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