

# **Aligning Regional Repository Networks**

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# The value of repositories



... lies in the potential to interconnect them to create a network of repositories, a network that can provide unified access to research outputs and be (re-) used by machines and researchers. However, in order to achieve this potential, we need interoperability."

(The Case for Interoperability for Open Access Repositories - COAR Briefing Paper)



# Single repository → network





#### Network





The full potential of digital content, stored on thousands of repositories around the world can only be exploited once they are connected.

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#### **Latin America**





#### Presentación

Queremos compartir y dar visibilidad a la producción científica generada en las instituciones de educación superior y de investigación científica. Nuestro principal propósito es la creación de una estrategia consensuada y un marco de acuerdos para la construcción y mantenimiento de una Red Federada de Repositores Institucionales de Publicaciones Científicas destinadas a almacenar, compartir, dar visibilidad y acceso abierto y equitativo a su producción científica de América Latina.

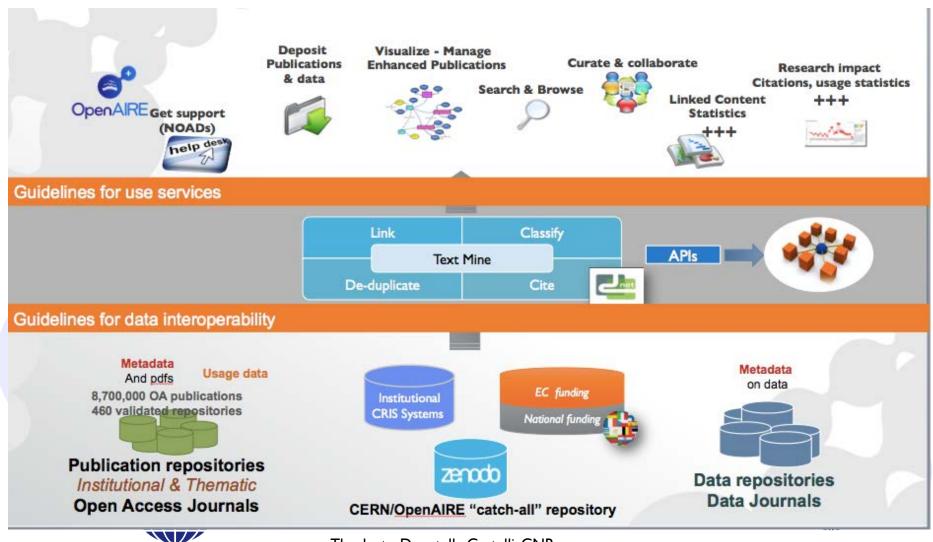


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# **Europe**





Thanks to Donatella Castelli, CNR

#### **United States**



# SHARE: Toward a Federated Repository System for Data & Publications in the USA

(SHared Access Research Ecosystem)









#### Components / Layers

**SHARE Content Aggregation** 

SHARE Discovery

**SHARE Registry** 

**SHARE Notification Service** 



Thanks to Elliot Shore, ARL

#### China



#### 2. OA Repositories in China

Changchun

CAS IR Services
IRs in CAS, 2009-

IR of CAS

- **2013-12**
- 87 in service
- 23 more in development
- CAS IR Grid in service

Total: 500,000+

Fulltext: 400,000+, 75+%

OA: 310,000, 75+%

Total Visits: 40,000,000+
Total downloads: 14.0 million +
2013 Downloads: 6.9 million+

2. OA Repositories in China

Academic Libraries in the mainland China

CALIS IR Project

28 universities http://ir.calis.edu.cn/about.jsp

http://dspace.xmu.edu.cn/dspace/Most universities have ETD repositorie





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■ Branches: 13

■ Institutes · 101

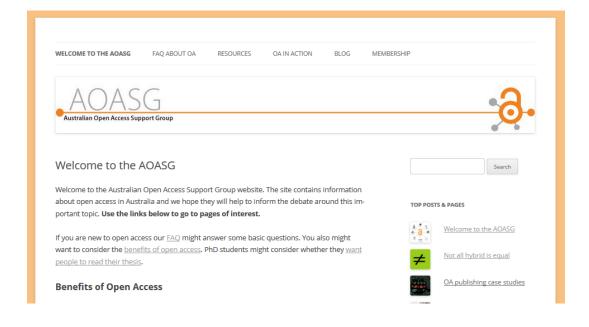
■ Cities: 28

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#### **Australia**



Australian Open Access Support Group (AOASG)









# Towards a Seamless Global Research Infrastructure

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# Benefits of global alignment



"All efforts should be made to avoid silos, which act as barriers to the use of content."





# **Challenges**



"It would be impossible and undesirable to seek to align networks across all areas and elements."





#### How to move forward



## Achieve common understanding

⇒Alignment ≠ do it the same way, allow variety, better principles





# **Principles**



Openness

Sustainability

Interoperability

Diversity





#### **Identification of Priorities**



Policies

Technical and semantic Interoperability

Services





# **Priority area: Policies**



# Statement about Embargo Periods

May 14, 2014: "We endorse the policies and practices that enable Open Access – immediate, barrier free access to and reuse of scholarly articles...

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, I 2 months for social sciences and humanities."





## Statement about Embargo Periods



#### Signatories (so far)

- COAR
- EIFL
- LIBER
- National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- OpenAIRE
- SPARC
- Electronic Frontier Foundation
- Research Libraries of the United Kingdom
- Coalition for Action "Copyright for Education and Research", Germany
- Australian National University
- INRIA
- Australian Open Access Support Group





# Priority area: Interoperability



- ORCID IDs
- persistent identifiers
- common vocabulary elements for embargo periods, access and re-use conditions, funder IDs
- common approaches to usage data
- protocols that enable data exchange and crosssystem transfer





# **Priority area: Services**



research data management

 promote the role of repositories in the research evaluation system

sustainability of global services





# **N**ext steps



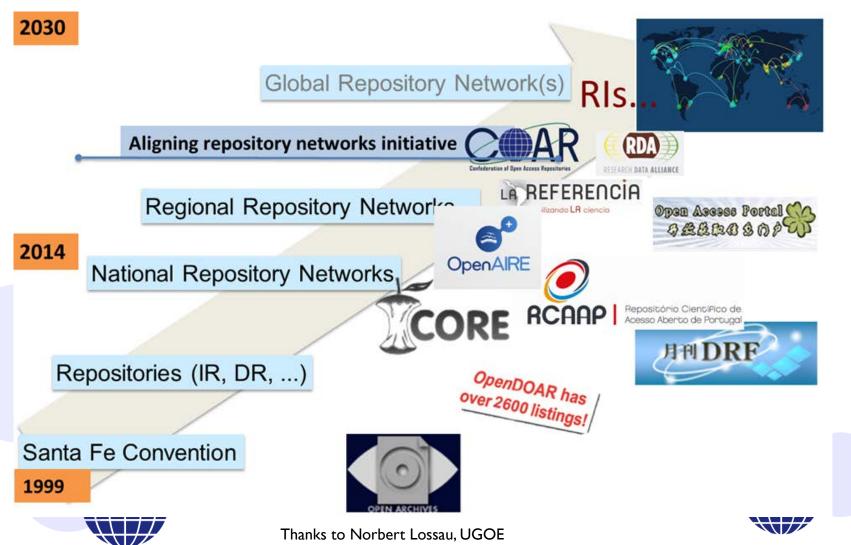
- Already in discussions with ORCID, EuroCRIS and CASRAI
- Work with regional networks and other stakeholders towards adoption of priorities
- Engage and bring in more national and topical networks
- Ongoing exchange and dialogue





#### Towards a global research infrastructure







### Thank you!



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# If you are engaged in the development of repositories and their networks, we would be delighted to welcome you as a new member of COAR!







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