

The International Effort Towards the Creation of an International Repository for Library and Information Science

Breaking Barriers in the Access to Scientific Research



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What is E-LIS?

- An International Open Archive for Library and Information Science established in 2003
- With more than 9.000 full text documents
- and 6.051 users
- GNU ePrints software, OAI/PMH compliant
- First International Open Archive for Library and Information Science
- International team of voluntary librarians
- Not-for-profit project
- Freely accessible to users (search and full-text)

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Content accepted

- LIS topics and interrelated disciplines, scientific or technical
- finished documents, published or unpublished, any language or format
- authors self-archive and
- agreements with institutions and library associations



partners



The promotion

For Librarians managed by Librarians

- To promote OA
- If librarians do not apply OA, how are they going to be able to convince their users about OA?
- To offer a platform for testing
- To capacity librarians
- one of the main goals of E-LIS staff has been to inform and instruct over the world about OA benefits and its correct practice

Organizational model

- Administrative section:** strategic issues; policies and the impact on the LIS user community
- Editorial section:** devoted to metadata quality
- Technical section:** concentrated on software - its implementation, enhancement and development; addition of value-added functionality; and connection with other tools

Editors

- Editors at National Level (languages)
 - Control the quality of metadata; Promote self-archiving in their own countries; Contact with authors; Assist authors in the self-archiving process
- Why at National Level?
 - It is impossible to know the situation of OA in LIS in every country
 - The reality is different and activities should be conducted accordingly
 - Although the E-LIS interface is in English, contact with authors is more effective in their native language(s)

How we work



Deposits

- Submission on line (previous registration)
- Deposit by e-mail (E-LIS Staff)
- Not restrictions by country
- Not restrictions by language
 - English abstract mandatory

Policies

- policy concerns are discussed and democratically agreed upon by the editorial staff
 - mission, aims and objectives; target audience and communities involved
 - submission policies: who can deposit and how
 - metadata quality
 - copyright policies
 - organisational model

copyright policies

- author retains property after deposit
- authors responsible for ensuring that documents have no restrictions on electronic distribution
- pre-refereed preprints - author holds copyright (no need for permission)
- refereed postprints, author can try to modify the copyright transfer agreement to allow self-archiving
- failing that, can append a link to published paper

submissions

articles (4164)	54%
papers (2132)	28%
presentations (945)	12%
posters (129)	2%
thesis (268)	4%
in press (1991)	22%
pre-prints (209)	2%
post-prints (6698)	76%
reviewed (4899)	54%
non reviewed (4242)	46%

The collage shows the user interface of the 'exit' directory, the 'iralis' International Registry, and the 'E-LIS' website. It also includes a diagram illustrating the 'Author Action Exchange' process, which connects authors to IRALIS and the International Authority File (IAF) for LIS authors.

How

EXIT connects to IRALIS

The author record shows the standardized name

E-LIS connects to IRALIS

When typing the name of author during upload of document a dropdown menu shows the IRALIS registered name.

EXIT connects to E-LIS

The request by author shows the number of deposited documents and link them



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