

# Open Access and Librarians: the case of E-LIS

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# What is Open Access?

- Immediate, permanent, free online access to the full text of all refereed journal articles

Steve Harnad, 2005.

- OA Books e.g. HSRC
- OA data
- OA grey literature
- OA software

# But what does it mean?

- *“any user, anywhere, who has access to the Internet, may link, read, download, store, print, use, and data-mine the digital content of that article.”*

-Kleinman, 2008 <http://www.slideshare.net/Molly.ak/open-access-for-subject-specialist-librarians>

- Greater rights for the authors, and less restrictions for the user

# Implementing OA

There are [two roads](#) to OA:

- (1) the "golden road" of [OA journal-publishing](#), where journals provide OA to their articles (either by charging the author-institution for refereeing/publishing outgoing articles instead of charging the user-institution for accessing incoming articles, or by simply making their online edition free for all);
- (2) the "green road" of [OA self-archiving](#), where authors provide OA to their own published articles, by making their own [eprints](#) free for all.

The two roads to OA should not be confused or conflated; they are [complementary](#). (This site is focussed largely on the green road, because it is the fastest and surest way to reach immediate 100% OA; but the green road might [eventually](#) lead to gold too.)

OA self-archiving is *not* [self-publishing](#); nor is it about online publishing without quality control ([peer review](#)); nor is it intended for writings for which the author wishes to be [paid](#), such as books or magazine/newspaper articles. OA self-archiving is for peer-reviewed research, written solely for research impact rather than royalty revenue.

<http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/>

# Librarians as OA

## 1. OA Advocacy

- e.g.SPARC
- Alternative scholarly communication model
- Promote, policy, mandate – to archive

# Librarians as OA agents

## 2. OA Journals

(free access to their content online)

- Raise the visibility of OA journals as part of resources on website, or catalogued in the Library's OPAC,
- including training and promoting them to researchers both staff and students.
- Assist with the launching of OA journals at their institutions,

# Librarian as OA agents

## 3. Open Access Repositories or archives

- are digital collections that make their contents freely available over the Internet.
- Output – institutional or subject/discipline
- Library services include IR managing
- Librarians are mediation archiving a.o.

-Leslie Chan's OASIS, [www.openoasis.org](http://www.openoasis.org)

- ARL Task Force, 2009 [www.arl.org/bm~doc/repository-services-report.pdf](http://www.arl.org/bm~doc/repository-services-report.pdf)

# IR & SR

- Institutional repositories (IR), digital collect of the research output of the members of a university's research community; and support the archiving and long-term preservation of the institution's intellectual output
- Subject or Discipline include documents from authors from around the world covering one or more subject
  - De Robbio & Katzmeyr, 2009, <http://eprints.rclis.org/16335>



# What is E-LIS



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### Recent submissions

- Keele, Benjamin J. Copyright Provisions in Law Journal Publication Agreements. *Law Library Journal*, 2010, vol. 102, n. 2, pp. 269-283. [Journal Article (Print/Paginated)]
- Soto Durán, Adela *Gestores de referencias y citas bibliográficas*, 2010. In Taller para Estudiantes de Bibliotecología, Santiago, Chile, Escuela de Bibliotecología, UTEM, 12 de Mayo de 2010. (Unpublished) [Presentation]
- Miranda-Murillo, Diana *Information Technology in Central American Libraries*. *IFLA Journal*, 2004, vol. 30, n. 2, pp. 141-149. [Journal Article (Print/Paginated)]
- Furtado, Cassia *Estratégias de incentivo a leitura: relato de experiência nas bibliotecas Farol da Educação - Maranhão - Brasil*, 2009. In II Conferência Internacional Bibliotecas para a Vida. [Conference Paper]
- Sánchez-Suárez, José A. *Las bibliotecas universitarias en un entorno de enseñanza virtual*, 2008. In 11 Jornades Catalanes d'Informació i Documentació: Experiència i Innovació, Barcelona, 22- 23 mayo 2008. [Conference Paper]
- Sanchez-Suárez, Jose A. *Jornadas de acogida en la alfabetización informacional? Boletín de la Asociación Andaluza de Bibliotecarios*, 2008, vol. 92-93, pp. 87-101. [Journal Article (Print/Paginated)]
- Allendez-Sullivan, Patricia-Mónica *Capacitación in library: un nuevo dispositivo de capacitación laboral*, 2010 UNSPECIFIED. [Other]
- Giglia, Elena *Open Access e ricerca a Scienze Politiche*, 2010. In Presentazione sull'Open Access alla Facoltà di Scienze Politiche, Torino (Italy), 6 May 2010. (Unpublished) [Presentation]

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- Copyright issues
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# What is E-LIS

- OA, international, multilingual archive for LIS
- Free access and free archiving
- Established in 2003
- Largest LIS open archive
  - More than 6000 users, 10674 documents



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# History

- Evolution of DoIS, Documents of Information Science
- Part of the Research in Computers, LIS Project (hence the domain name of rclis)

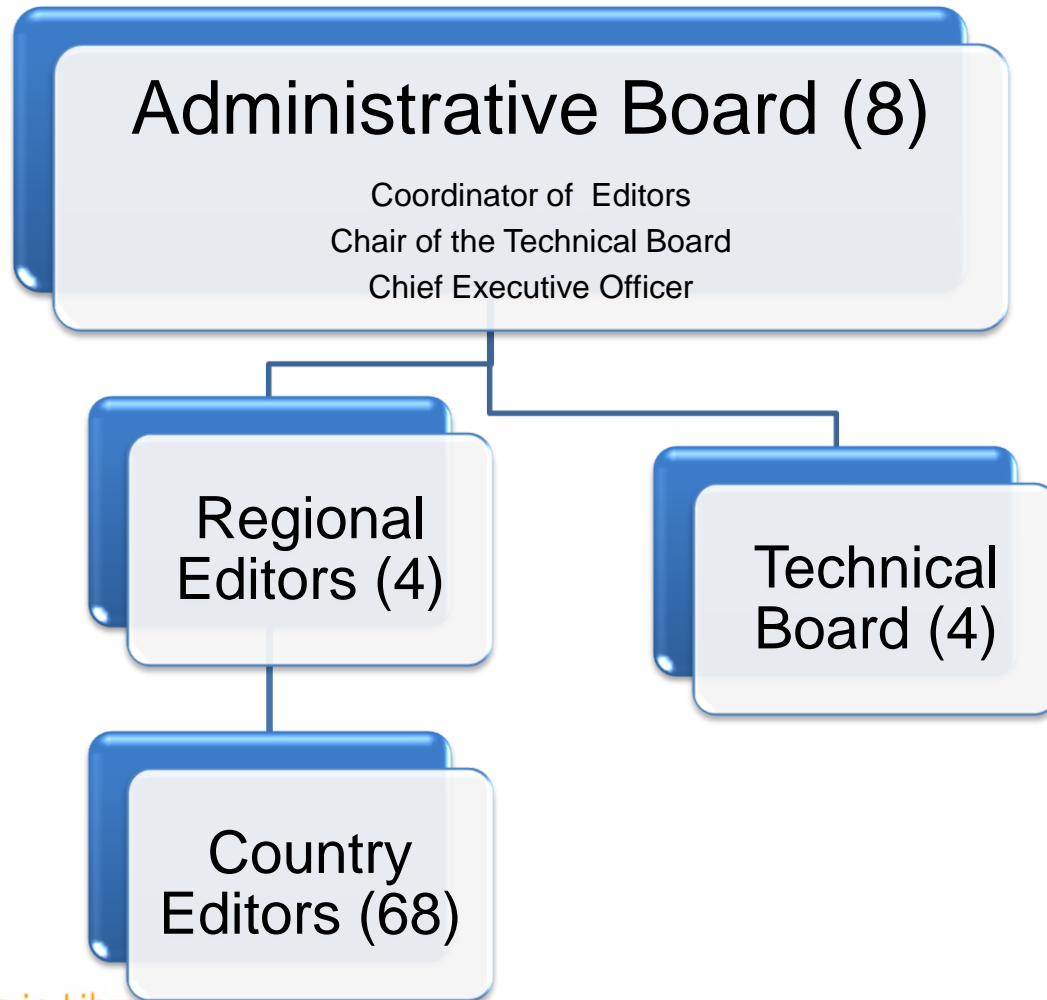
# E-LIS: Archive for Librarians

- Promote Open Access and Self Archiving amongst librarians
  - “If librarians do not apply open access how are they going to convince their users of it”
- Platform for playing and testing OA repository
- En-skilling librarians OA practices
  - Advocate, inform, train librarians globally benefits of OA.

# Benefits to users

- Compliment traditional publishing
- Compliments Institutional Repositories
- Online availability
- Increased visibility of authors
- Online availability increase impact of your research
  - OA Citation Advantage:
    - Increasing visibility, findability and accessibility of articles would increase citations made to those articles
- Swan, 2010 ([eprints.ecs.soton.ac.uk/18516](http://eprints.ecs.soton.ac.uk/18516))
  - meta-analysis of 31 studies, 27 found + OA citation advantage

# For Librarians by Librarians



# Editors

Country editors – 68 from 43 countries

- quality control of **metadata**
- **Promote** self-archiving in their countries
- **Assist** authors in the self-archiving process
- Volunteer, no financial benefit
- Work **cooperatively**

# SA E-LIS Editors



Jennifer De  
Beers –  
March 2004



Fatima Darries

October 2005, co-  
editor

2007, primary  
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Wynand van der  
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2007 co-editor



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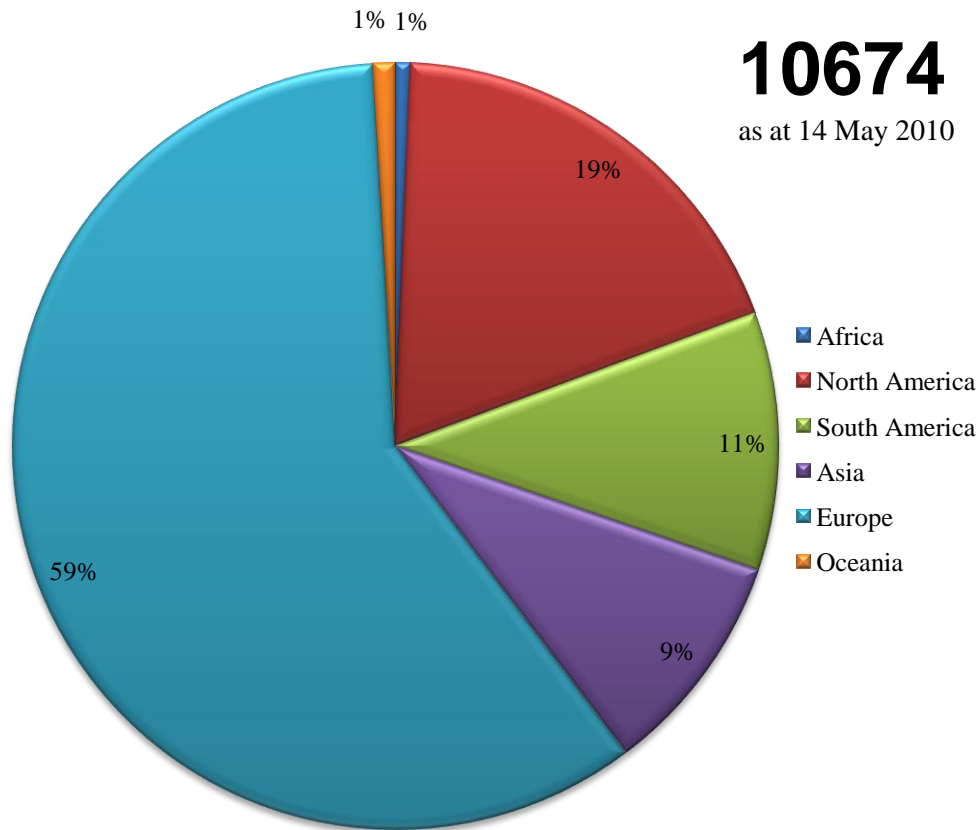
## Content Criteria for acceptance

- Documents should be relevant to research in LIS Fields
- And have the form of a finished document that is ready to be entered into a process of communication

## Copyright

- Authors retain ownership of all works deposited
- Authors are responsible for the work they archive

# Content by continent



- Africa (70)
  - SA(41)
  - Nigeria (9)
- America, North(2020)
  - US (648)
  - Cuba (548)
  - Mexico (418)
  - Canada (363)
- America, South (1176)
  - Argentina (367)
- Asia(1024)
  - India (581)
- Europe (6409)
  - Spain (2739)
  - Italy (1220)
- Oceania (99)
  - Australia (65)

# Contents ... Subject

## E-LIS repository accepts

- any scientific or technical document
- Published or unpublished
- Librarianship, Information Science and Technology and related activities
- In any language

# Content ...Type

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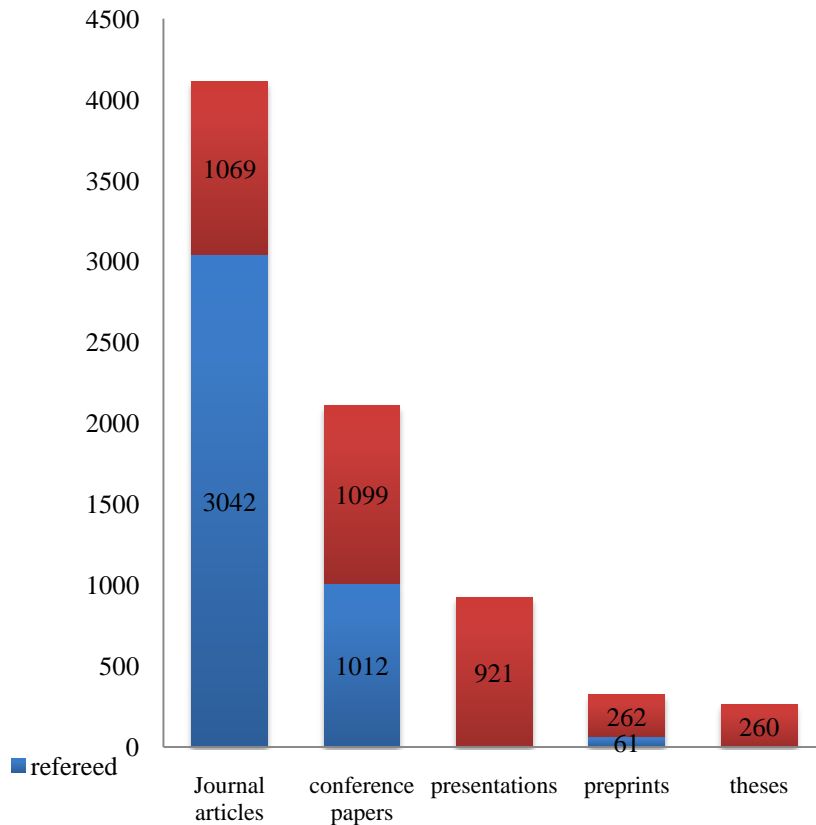
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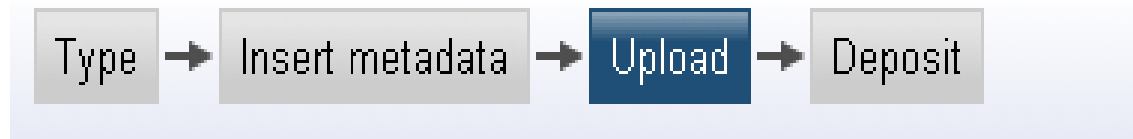
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- Articles 74% refereed,
- April 2008-2009,
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  - Average daily rate of 4.6 documentsDe R
- De Robbio & Katzmeyr, 2009, <http://eprints.rclis.org/16335>

# Submission

- Register as user- 3 steps (6051)
- Once registered, sign on
- Submission workflow – 4 steps



- Country Editor (approves / rejects / returns to author to modify) before/if submission is accepted into the archive

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Darries, Fatima *E-LIS : A global repository for Librarians by Librarians.*, 2009 [Newspaper/Magazine Article]

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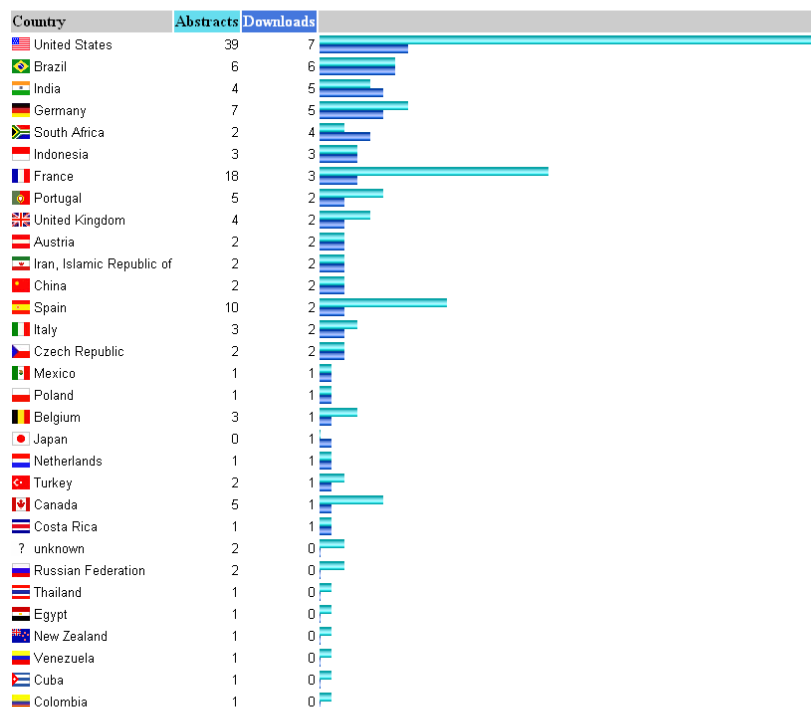


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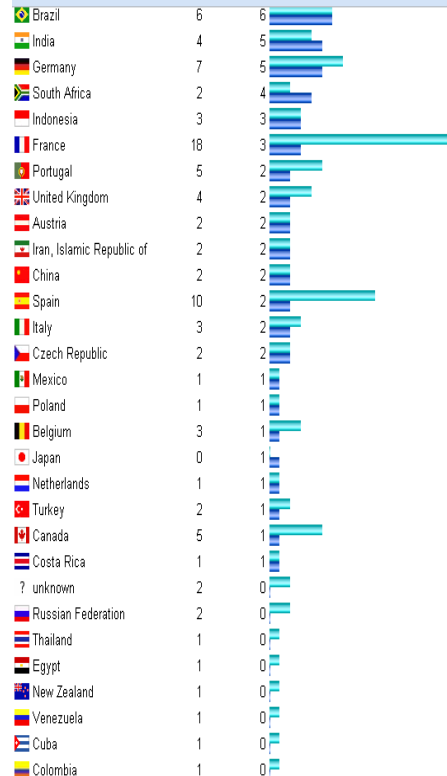
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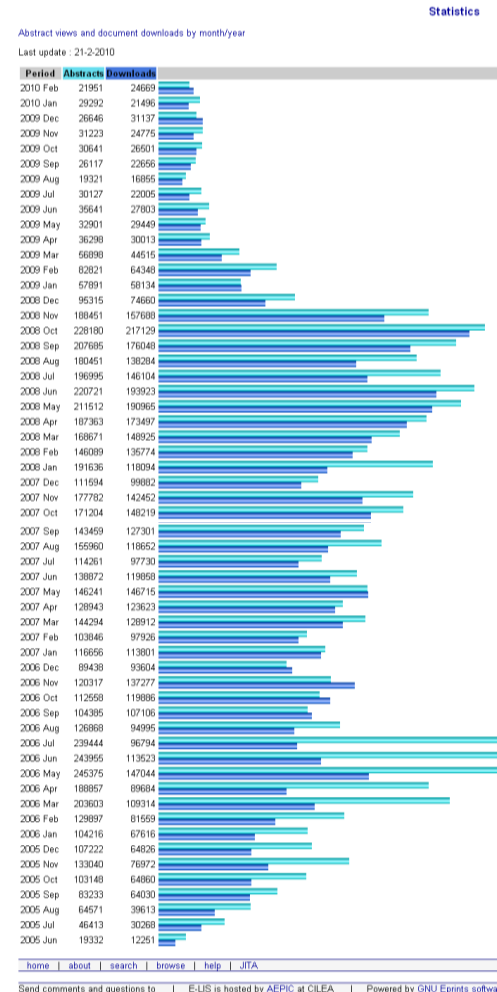
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- Peter Jasco Review of E-LIS on Peter Jasco Shelf in 2007 available at <http://www.galegroup.com/reference/peter/200705/e-lis.htm>
  - Compared LIS repositories, E-LIS and DLIST contain documents not available in LISTA
  - International, multilingual coverage
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  - Exceptional browsing functionality
  - More than half of the content at the time was peer-reviewed
- 1 of top 3 Subject Repositories according to the January 2008 Webometrics Ranking
  - Industry trends: Subject repositories Top Ranking.  
[http://www.researchinformation.info/news/news\\_story.phpnews\\_id=217](http://www.researchinformation.info/news/news_story.phpnews_id=217)

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