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Open to Open Access (O2OA)

An OA Good Practice Pathfinder project

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Repository Fringe
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O2OA Aim of Project

Establish shared institutional processes for facilitating, promoting and managing open access to publications and data – enabling researchers to meet funders’ and institutional open access requirements.
O2OA Project Partners

• Consortium of three post-92 “modern” Universities
  – Coventry University (Project management)
  – De Montfort University, Leicester
  – The University of Northampton

• All at different stages in implementing OA policy and services

• All need to meet funders’ OA requirements without the benefit of additional resource
O2OA Project Partners

- Coventry University (Project management)
  - Early stages in the implementation of an OA culture across the institution
  - Hosts a digital repository CURVE using EQUELLA
  - Specialist expertise in research impact management
  - Currently running internal research data management project so will take the lead on OA to research data
O2OA Project Partners

• De Montfort University, Leicester
  – Existing digital repository – DORA (DSpace)
  – Currently implementing a Current Research Information System (Converis) so will be project lead on OA aspects of CRIS
The University of Northampton

- Digital research repository **NECTAR** uses Eprints
- Recent efforts focused on research data management
- Currently developing policy and process for OA publishing so will take project lead on OA to publications
- Internal project partner: Institute of Health and Wellbeing
O2OA Project Team

- Broad skill set within the team
  - Impact Manager
  - Repository Manager
  - REF and Business Development Manager
  - Research Support Librarian
  - Technical Support
  - Behaviour change specialist (psychology)
O2OA: Unique Features

• All Midlands-based and post-92 institutions
• Project team includes business development to link the OA agenda to applied research
• Focus on linking impact and the OA agenda
• Providing software-solution independent recommendations
O2OA HEI Sector Benefits

• Provide a consolidated review of the OA needs of academics, information managers, research support staff, corporate leads and external funders
• Provide an understanding of the perceived and actual relationships between OA publications, OA data and impact
• Provide a translation of OA needs into associated workflows
• Inform on methods to adapt repository systems and address interoperability issues across systems
• To provide a case study reviewing the embedding of a pro-OA culture using behaviour-change informed approaches
O2OA Key Steps

WP1: Needs assessment
• Identify the OA needs and requirements of all stakeholders (using literature review; focus groups; survey)

WP2: Process and workflow
• Develop processes and workflows to support researchers in complying with institutional and funder policies

WP3: Refine and review
• Test and refine the processes and workflows

WP4: Engagement and dissemination
• Communicate with internal stakeholders via updates, forums, invitations to participate etc.
• Disseminate externally via project blog, conference presentations, social media, published materials and workshop
• Ongoing throughout project
Progress so far

• Presentation to Jisc Open Access Good Practice Workshop (17th June)
• Project plan created
• Project meeting at Coventry (discussed: consortium agreement; collaborative workspace; roles, responsibilities and communication; allocated tasks for WP1)
• Questions for focus groups and survey under discussion (first focus group set for 7th August)
• Review of OA guidelines from publishers, institutions and funders underway
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Further information about the Open Access Good Practice programme is available on the [OA Good Practice blog](#)