



Developing the Repository Manager Community

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Presentation Outline



- Introduction and UK Context
- National approaches
 - UKCoRR
- Institutional approaches
 - Open Exeter Case Study
- That little something ‘extra’
- Future plans and challenges

Introduction



- Repository community is all about sharing
 - Not just what's inside our repositories!
 - Ideas, materials, support
- Developing the repository infrastructure:
 - National shared services
 - National funding initiatives
 - Peer-to-peer support within the community

Chinese 'blessings'?



'May you live in interesting times'

'May you come to the attention of those in
authority'

'May all your wishes be granted'

National Approaches



UKCORR



UK RepositoryNet+



SHERPA/FACT

“I’ll get by with a little help...”



UKCORR

- UKCoRR led by members through a 5 strong committee
- Membership is on an individual basis
- Membership is free
 - Which has pro’s and con’s
- Intersection between support bodies
- An independent voice for repository staff

“... from my friends”



- Peer-to-peer support
 - Email list
 - Twitter
 - Annual member’s meeting
- Blog (<http://ukcorr.org/>)
 - event reports, position papers and current awareness



“Nick and Grace, Esquire” by Drew Leavy (<http://www.flickr.com/photos/drewleavy/>)



Institutional approaches



- REF 2014
 - Embedding repositories into vital institutional processes
- IR links with institutional systems
 - Integration with CRIS systems
- Projects run within institutions creating reusable content

Open Exeter's Open Access Week 2012



- 'All Star Cast' of speakers
- Profile raising event
 - Creating a valuable resource for the community and Exeter's researchers
- Social media used extensively to promote the events as well as to disseminate the outputs



<http://blogs.exeter.ac.uk/openexeterdm>

That little something 'extra'



- Open practices work by Brian Kelly
 - Improving/maintaining your profile
 - SEO for repositories
 - Importance embedded metadata in PDFs
 - <http://ukwebfocus.wordpress.com/>
- Repositories and the impact agenda
 - Use of social media and altmetrics
- Importance of the use of evidence

Future plans



- Facing a difficult period for repositories
 - Changing environment
 - Role of 'green' / repository open access
 - 'Doing more for less/the same'
- Professional development
- UKCoRR looking for new ways to link up repository staff

Conclusion



- Growing sense of maturity in the community
- We have benefited from truly excellent training and infrastructure support
- “The future is a foreign country”
 - Reacting agilely to challenges
 - Continuing to help our membership develop themselves and support their institutions

Any Questions?



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