The Open Archive at the University of Verona

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What's open archive at the University of Verona?
Today: 58,000 items:

- Journal Articles: 30,063
- Conference or Workshop Items: 10,346
- Book chapters: 8,908
- Edited Books: 1,249
- Books or Monographs: 2,476
- Doctoral Theses and Articles in Open Archive: 667
- Others: 4,600
.... in order to be properly assessed, Products of Humanities need to be:

- more visible
- accessible: the "full text" available in the Repository of University Research Products.
... **TARGETS:**

- *wider dissemination* of knowledge,
- *increase* the targets of multidisciplinary teams,
- *Disseminate these products* to student.
The solution......

to build an “Open Archive”
in the Institutional Repository
according to an “Open Access” strategy
... The Project

Environment: OPEN ACCESS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Authors: RESEARCH OFFICE HEAD ICT OFFICE LIBRARIES

Technical resources: SOFTWARE CINECA

IR for RESEARCH

Human resources: Company WHITE

UNIVERSITY OF VERONA WEBSITE
University of Verona welcomes the policy of OPEN ACCESS:

1. GOLD ROAD: publications in OA journals
2. GREEN ROAD: publications in OA archives


... What must the author do in U-GOV?

*It requires only few steps...*

A. Insert their paper in U-GOV,
B. selecting one box,
C. Paper is ready to be harvested,
D. Paper can be seen by external Harvesters (i.e.: Pleiadi, OAIster and Google Scholar).
Guide to insert a PhD Thesis

The U-Gov Catalogue (Catalogo dei Prodotti della Ricerca) can be found at the address:
http://www.univr.u-gov.it

After logging-in, select from the menu:
Catalogo Prodotti Ricerca ---> Prodotti della Ricerca --> Gestione Schede Prodotti

Click "Nuovo" to begin the deposit of a new product.
PLEIADI: Portal for the italian electronic literature on open archives and institutional repositories

The OAIster® database
Millions of digital resources from thousands of contributors
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<td>1. to raise awareness about the importance of open archive in order to the development of visibility of academic scientific results</td>
<td>To improve the sensibility about this topic it was necessary to speech in some meetings in the Board of Department. So we explained the advantages of open access for academic professors’ products.</td>
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<td>2. the choice of a specific software.</td>
<td>We have chosen the software of CINECA which operated in platform U-GOV. So we have been able to assure only one admission of data in the same repository used by MIUR (Ministry of Education University and Research) for scientific evaluations. Some Italian Universities have 2 repositories: the first repository contains all open access publications with metadata and products in pdf form. The second repository contains only the metadata. This fact is because they are using 2 different softwar)</td>
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<td>3. the official recognition by the Academic Bodies for the open access could become a real policy of the University.</td>
<td>In the new Statute of the university of Verona at article 2 point 5 is written: “The University adopts the principles of full and open scientific literature and promotes the free dissemination on internet of the research results produced in the University, to ensure the widest possible dissemination. With a special regulation provides incentives institutional repository and communication to the public, in compliance with laws relating to intellectual property, confidentiality and protection of personal data, and protection, access and enhancement of the cultural heritage.”</td>
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<td>4. copyright policies</td>
<td>At the beginning we used Sherpa Romeo to control the editorial policies; now CINCECA is developing a plug-in for the Open Archive to have an immediate response about a specific policy of the Editor. This plug-in is called R-LINK.</td>
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<td>5. Italians Editors: in Italy we have a lot of problems with ours Editors in particular with the Editors in Humanities. Generally they don’t permit any deposit in an institutional repository.</td>
<td>A new policy offered by Ministry could resolve this gap and cover all universities. So we will be able to force the editors to “open their doors”. For this reason the Conference of Italian University Rectors (CRUI) is developing this topic with a specific work group for Open Access in the Universities.</td>
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In our experience the open archive can be implemented with a process bottom-up. In fact from the necessity to make more visible the Humans scientific results, it is born the project of “Open Archive”, and only after a long period of application, awareness and growing interest in favour of this project, it has been accepted by Academic Bodies.

Maybe it is easier to persuade with results than only with words. The develop of an institutional repository could become a way to evaluation of scientific results. In fact the Open Access opens new frontiers in the development of bibliometric indicators of new generation focused on the individual author rather than on the journal.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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