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Other Topics

Discussion in ML~The Cell's "Articles of the Future"
DRF Member Interview
~ OAK: Obihiro university Archives Knowledge



DRF Steering Committee Members: [Front, from right side.] (Shin Irie (Manager, Head Office, Keio Univ. Media Center) was not present.) Hideki Uchijima (Head, Dept. of Information Planning, Kanazawa Univ. Library), Masahiko Sekikawa (Head, Dept. of Information Management, the Univ. of Tsukuba Library), Munetake Sugiyama (Head, Dept. of Academic Information, Chiba Univ. Library), Masaaki Henmi (Committee Chair; Director, Hokkaido Univ. Library), Shunji Katayama (Director, Tohoku Univ. Library), Masayoshi Ishii (Vice Director, Hiroshima Univ. Library)

Feb 5, 2010 DRF Re-established!

The Digital Repository Federation (DRF) declared its policies and regulations for its re-establishment aiming at its sustainability and more international cooperation. They were agreed as a basis of the Federation's further activities onwards at the "new" Federation's inauguration ceremony which followed the DRF6 national conference held at Hokkaido University. The inaugural member institutions reached 108, and the Federation's policies and regulations are available online at

<http://drf.lib.hokudai.ac.jp/drf/index.php?About%20Us>.

Where It Makes a Difference?

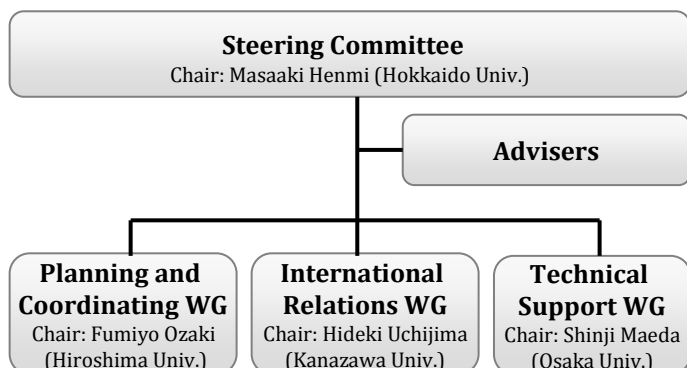
WE'RE
ALL EARS
TO YOU!

How will the DRF be changing under its new management? DRF Monthly interviewed Fumiyo Ozaki, Chair of the Planning and Coordinating WG, Shigeki Sugita, Vice Chair of the International Relation WG, and Shinji Maeda, Chair of the Technical Support WG.

● Starting from a mere project, the DRF has evolved into an independent organization. In my view, the new framework will enable the existing training programs to be more systematic, and the community network, still considered the most important for sustainable repository operation, much stronger. Your continuous support is much appreciated! (Fumiyo Ozaki, Hiroshima Univ.)

● Last year the DRF contributed to the establishment of COAR (Confederation of Open Access Repositories). Similar to the DRF, COAR is also a loose-knit, but multinational coalition for repository practitioners. Repository managers in the world have just the same problems as we have in Japan; "How to approach the faculty?" "What is copyright processing?" This is why I think we will have more opportunities to address these problems on site together, internationally. (Shigeki Sugita, Hokkaido Univ.)

● I'm not sure... (Please imagine the cartoonist Yoshinori Kobayashi's tone). But more people, definitely more fun! (Shinji Maeda, Osaka Univ.)







"Today I remembered the moment when I hit upon the name "DRF" while talking with Mr. Ojiro in the office of NII Contents Division. We hoped to make the name global as it is, without putting a word "Japan" or whatever, right from the start. In hindsight, it was quite pertinent reflecting our initial vision." Syun Tutiya

"IR operation is still in its developing stage, less known to librarians. Human resources development and management succession structure are the challenges we face to make IR operation sustainable. The DRF has been offering the cross-university support under the CSI framework during Phase 1 and 2, which substantially addresses the challenges. The role of its activities will also be important in the future." Fukuo Sugita

"In relation to the so-called "Knowledge Accumulation", a hot issue at my university, recent discussions suggest a kind of comprehensive database of university's research information provided by the university library. Library-oriented IR services may have a possibility to be extended beyond our expectation." Masahiko Sekikawa

Ranganathan's five laws are applicable to "information" instead of "book." Challenge without losing this nature, and librarianship can survive. It is vital to create the working environment where all the staff can feel satisfied with their profession, not only as repository managers but as librarians. Shunji Katayama

"Active involvement in every direction will create the future of IRs." Masayoshi Ishii

"For the past five years, I have been feeling it difficult to let people persuade into joining the DRF. As many as 108 institutions have joined as of today. I would like to keep in mind with you the significance of 108 memberships in the next five years." Hideki Uchijima

"Three keywords to think about the next five years; mandate, internationalization and systemization." Munetake Sugiyama



Session2 The Next 5 Years

Chair: Syun Tutiya (Chiba Univ.)

Panelists:

Shunji Katayama (Tohoku Univ.)
Masahiko Sekikawa (Tsukuba Univ.)
Munetake Sugiyama (Chiba Univ.)
Hideki Uchijima (Kanazawa Univ.)
Masayoshi Ishii (Hiroshima Univ.)
Fukuo Sugita (Hokkaido Univ.)

Topic Presenter:

Shigeki Sugita (Hokkaido Univ.)

DRF6 session2 The Next 5 Years

DRF6 Program

- 13:00 - 13:10 Welcome
- 13:10 - 15:10 Session1 The Past 5 Years
- 15:30 - 16:45 Session2 The Next 5 Years
- 16:45 - 17:00 Closing
- 17:00 - 17:30 DRF Re-establishment Ceremony

The 6th DRF Workshop: "The Last 5 Years and the Coming 5 Years" was held at Hokkaido University Library (Sapporo) on February 5, 2010, with 91 taking part. All the programs were covered live via Twitter. Therefore DRF Monthly reports just the essence of the workshop.



Articles of the Future? ~The Cell's Approach

The Cell's multi-tabbed e-journal platform includes not only articles but discussion and comment areas. Will it be popular to preserve research outputs in this form?
How do you deposit this type of article in your IR?

DISCUSSION
IN ML

Must See for Journal Staff !

[DRF:1639] Regarding the format of articles, Elsevier, to say exactly "the Cell", proposes the idea of "articles of the future"

[DRF:1643] What do you think of storing the whole research process and intermediate outputs from the stage of submitting an article, or even starting a research, just as using a web-hosting service?

[DRF:1645] Basically, the existing scholarly communication is made to provide information to all. But will ICT development naturally enable M-to-N communication?



Back issues of DRF Mailing List are available at <http://drf.lib.hokudai.ac.jp/drfrm/>.

DRF
MEMBER
INTERVIEW

OAK: Obihiro university Archives Knowledge

Q1. Tell us about your IR team.

The Academic Information Office (=University Library) is responsible for managing OAK (The Library consists of this office only.). Group-based with no sections, the Office assigns two staffers working on OAK. It is a headache to concentrate on IR tasks balancing them with other duties.



Q2. Which repository software?

DSpace 1.4.2. It was hard to set up the server by ourselves, but we did it to save money, with the kind help of the skilled repository staffers at other universities.

Q3. Any episode when starting your IR, or activity that makes a difference?

OAK test operation started on Feb.19, 2007, and then the official release on June 1, 2007. At first, sadly, only a few faculty members of this small university provided their article to OAK. Then the office director went to the research labs, met the faculty and gained the articles of many researchers. From the time then, going to the faculty to talk becomes one of the director's important jobs!

Q4. What are the charms of your IR (and why)?

The "OAK" acronym nickname and its logo, which have recently been selected from among the public. As for the deposited contents, the open campus posters the researchers made to introduce their research, which surprisingly gained frequent access.

Q5. What are you expecting of the DRF?

The wide range of support from the DRF is attractive for us. It not only keeps in line with the leading discussions of scholarly information in Japan, but answers the questions from the beginners who have just started to set up their repository. For the small and yet unskilled staff teams like the OAK team, it is a big mental support to have someone to rely on, and to have somewhere people help each other. We hope that the DRF will continue to be a reliable community for repository managers in Japan.



OAK front page <http://ir.obihiro.ac.jp/>



OAK staff, Ms. Michiyo Sasaki and Ms. Eriko Ohira

READER'S
SQUARE

Coming up Next... **Let's Make a Senryu (Japanese Poem) on "ILL"**

We are waiting for your "witty five-seven-five syllables on ILL" until Mar. 31, 2010.

Please email your senryu, pen name, name and institution at gekkandrf@gmail.com.

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[Feature 1] Regional Workshops and Training Sessions

DRF-KanNihonkai (Kanazawa Univ.), DRF-Tosa (Kochi Univ. Tech.), IR Training Session (Nagasaki Intl. Univ.)

[Feature 2] COAR General Assembly 2010

What's COAR? GA Report in March in Spain

... and "Introduction of DRF Member Institutions" etc.

Digital Repository Federation Monthly always welcomes your letter. Email: gekkandrf@gmail.com

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