Open Access Movement in Ukraine

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Overview of presentation

- Background on International Renaissance Foundation
- Definition of open access
- Open access movement in Ukraine:
 - Past
 - Present
 - Future

International Renaissance Foundation (IRF)

- Private, grant-making foundation funded by George Soros which aims to shape public policy to promote democratic governance, human rights, and economic, legal, and social reform
- IRF is the Ukraine's largest charity organization
- Funds are also allocated for diversification of information resources for the third sector, democratization of education and public health, development of social capital and academic publications.

Definition of open access

- In using the term 'open access', we mean the free availability of peer-reviewed literature on the public internet, permitting any user to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of the articles.
 - Budapest Open Access Initiative

BOAI

 All Open Access Activities i Ukraine are implemented in cooperation with Open Access Project of OSI Information Program and eIFL.net

Ukraine: How we started

- Awareness raising:
- Mass media:
 - March 2004: Article about Open Acess movement in *Dzerkalo Tyzhnia* (one of the most influential weeklies)
 - Until now publications about Open Access journals and repositories in intellectual periodicals like *Dzerkalo Tyzhnia, Krytyka*

Ukraine: How we started

- Awareness raising:
- Seminars and workshops:
 - April 2004: The first seminar about OA journals for the editors of scientific and scholarly journals (society publishers) with the support from National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NAS)
 - Until now workshops and presentations about OA Journals and OA Institutional Repositories for different audience (university librarians, society publishers, academic community)

- February 17-19, 2005, hosted by National University Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, organized by International Renaissance Foundation, OSI, NAS, International Association of Academies of Sciences, supported by East-East Program: Partnership Beyond Boarders of OSI and the British Council Ukraine
- Over 140 researchers, administrators, librarians, information managers from higher educational institutions and scientific research laboratories from 17 countries

- Recommendations that the Ukrainian authorities:
 - ensure the right of individuals and the public to access information and knowledge and to guarantee that IP regimes are not the obstacles to the public access to knowledge

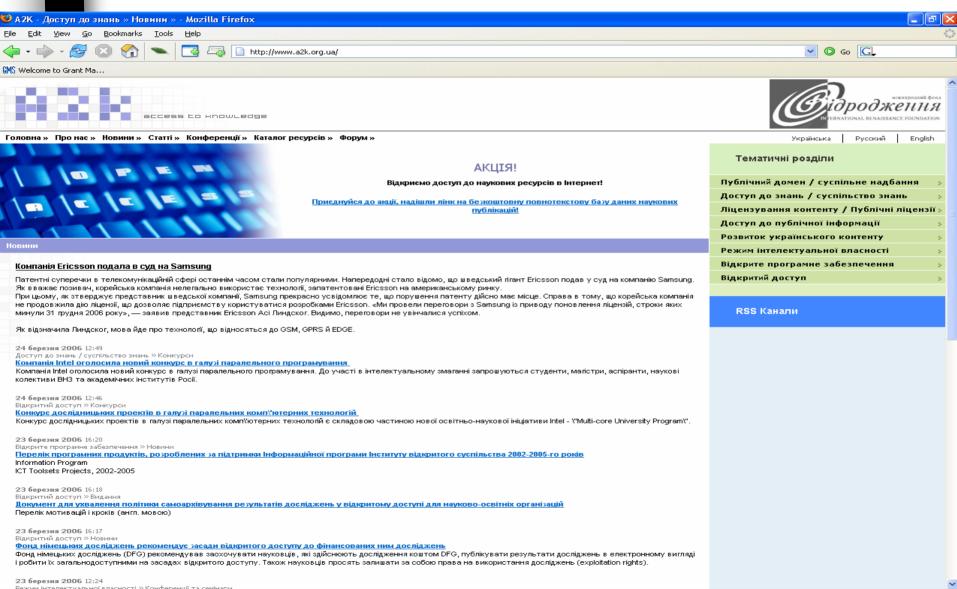
- Recommendations that the Ukrainian authorities:
 - encourage research and higher
 educational institutions to practice OA

- Recommendations that the Ukrainian authorities:
 - put an OA condition to state funded researches (except reasonable exceptions) and to provide state fund and technical assistance to research and higher educational institutions to set up and maintain OAR (with condition to adopt a policy to encourage or require OA research output)

- Recommendations that the Ukrainian authorities:
 - support ICT development in libraries, archives, museums and other organizations providing access to information and to provide state fund and technical assistance to OA to cultural heritage.

 Recommendations endorsed by Ukrainian Vice Prime Minister

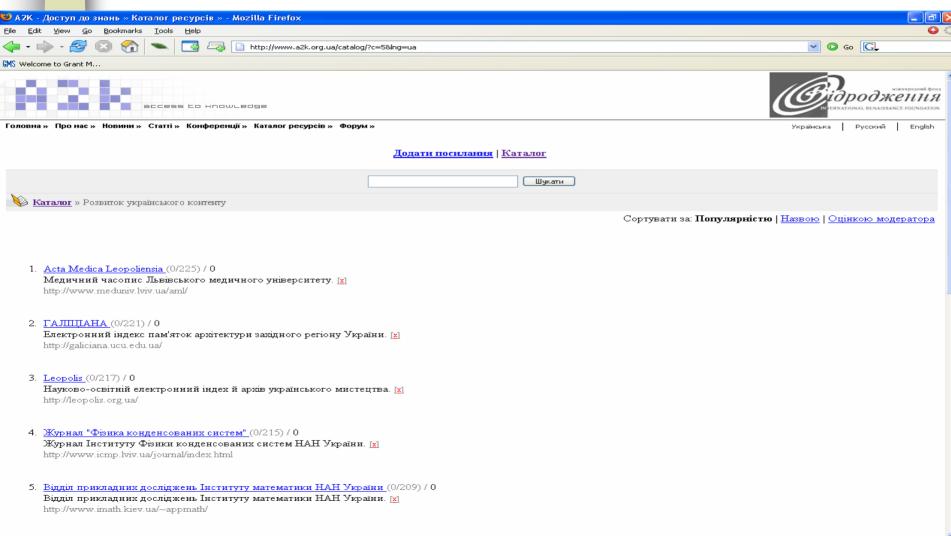
Ukraine: Access to Knowledge http://www.a2k.org.ua/





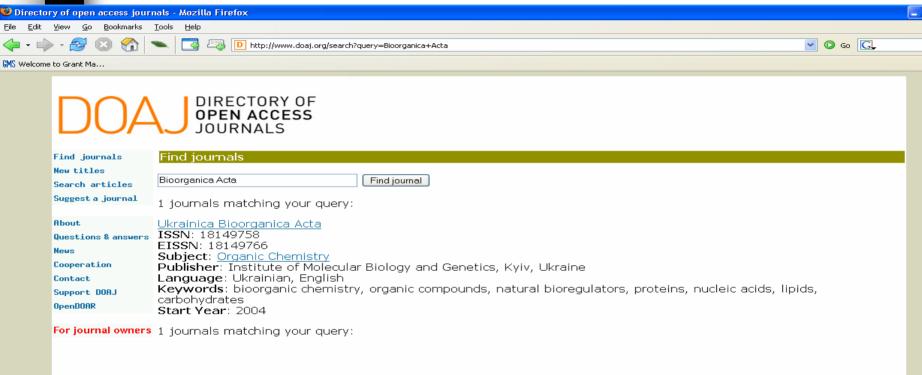
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Ukraine: http://www.a2k.org.ua/: protodirectory of OA journals and repositories

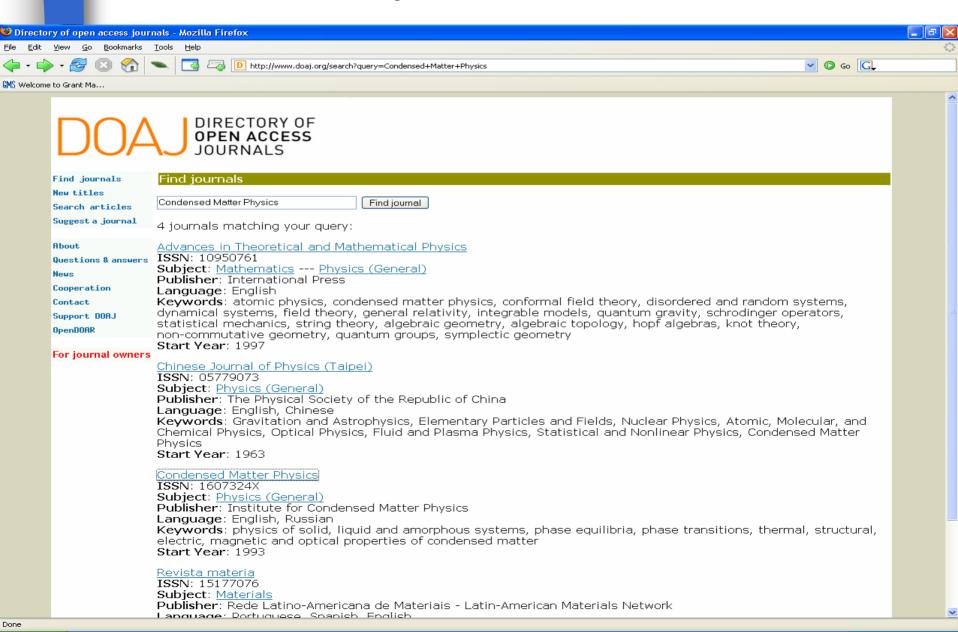


- OA Journals: Ukrainian OA journals in DOAJ:
- Journals are requested to provide the following information:
 - Journal title / Alternative journal title (well known 2nd title) /
 - the URL of the journal
 - Full text access from year / Volume: first full text accessible volume / Issue: first full text accessible issue
 - ISSN / EISSN: ONLY fill in this if the journal has an e-ISSN
 - Publisher / Provider
 - Language
 - Keywords: describing the content of the journal
 - Subject: Library of Congress Classification Code (can be excluded)
 - E-mail contact / Contact person

- DOAJ check journals:
 - -OA
 - ISSN
 - Peer-review/editorial control
 - Quality:
 - Academic level/target group
 - Active:
 - Publication frequency: twice a year minimum
 - Full text: mandatory
 - Copyright: accept the DOAJ definition of OA.
- Contact person: Lotte Jorgensen, Lund
 University Libraries, lotte.jorgensen@lub.lu.se



DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals, 2006, Lund University Libraries, Head Office



Ukraine: OA repositories

- INFORMATIO 2005 3 -7 October, 2005: university and oblast universal scientific libraries launched the network of Open Access repositories in Ukraine
- Pilot project developed by Informatio
 Consortia and Scientific Library of National
 University Kyiv Mohyla Academy with 7 other
 Universities
- Testing software eprints/dspace
- Support from the National Scientific Library and Ukrainian Institute for Scientific-Technical and Economical Information

- Cooperation is crucial: local partners:
 - NGO Privacy Ukraine
 - Internet Access and Training program (IATP) of International Researches and Exchanges Board (IREX)
 - Fulbright Exchange program
 - National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine
 - Parliamentary Committee for Education and Science
 - Internews Ukraine
 - Ukrainian Internet Society

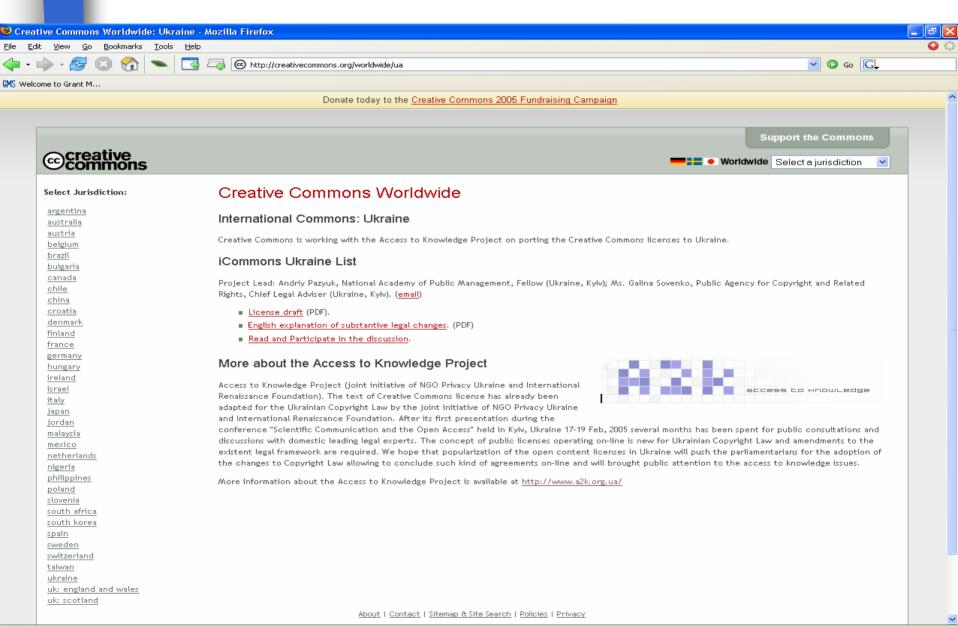
- The first Parliamentary hearings Developing information society in Ukraine (September 21, 2005)
- Resulted into Parliamentary Inquiry
 Harmonization of Governmental Educational
 Policies re OA (from December 1, 2005)

- Tools for lobbying activities:
 - web-site with public professional recommendations
 http://www.sluhannya.in.ua
 - workshops organized by the Parliamentary
 Committee on Education and Science, the
 Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the National
 Academy of Sciences, Internet Association of
 Ukraine, International NGO "Internews
 Ukraine", IRF, Microsoft Ukraine, and
 representative office of Intel in Ukraine.
 - informational leaflet to all members of the Parliament

- Parliamentary Inquiry Harmonization of Governmental Educational Policies re OA (from December 1, 2005):
 - open access is one of the priorities in developing information society
 - the Cabinet of Ministers should create favorable conditions for developing open access repositories in archives, libraries, museums and other cultural institutions.
 - The Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine should encourage development of open access resources in science, technology and education with open access condition to state funded researches.

Open Access is also one of the priorities in National strategy on developing information society in Ukraine introduced to Ukrainian Parliament by Parliamentary Committee on Science and Education.

Creative Commons Ukraine:



- Promotion of open access and awareness raising:
 - workshops for scholars/academic institutions encouraging research and higher educational institutions to practice open access
 - development of a2k web-site
 - workshops for journalists about open access
 - competition for journalist writing about open access
 - competition of students researches about open access

- Including Ukrainian open access journals into DOAJ
- Cooperation with Google about indexing Ukrainian open access journals
- Investigation of scholars/journal editors attitude to open access

- Development of Ukrainian network of institutional repositories:
 - encouraging Universities/research institutions to sign Berlin Declaration and Register self-archival policy
 - Development of policies, procedures, and software for model open access institutional repository (seminars and training for the interested Universities
 - INFORMATIO 2006: International
 Conference on Electronic Information
 Resources Design, Use and Access,
 2-6 October 2006, Alushta, Crimea, Ukraine

- Ensuring the right of individuals and the public to access information and knowledge developing Access to Knowledge Act by NGO Privacy Ukraine with the support from OSI Information program
- Guaranteeing that intellectual property regimes are not the obstacles to the public's access to knowledge - adaptation of Creative Commons licenses (CC) for publications in public domain by NGO Privacy Ukraine and a set of seminars on promoting CC licenses

 Implementation stage for Parliamentary Inquiry Harmonization of Governmental Educational Policies re OA (from December 1, 2005) with new Cabinet of Ministers

thank you for your attention!

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