

Economists Online: researchers and libraries collaborate. A subject-specific service model.

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"The library is making my scientific life easier and more relaxed"

A library network: 15_9















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We are

- A network of libraries and institutions serving a specific subject community:
- Institutions with high-rankings in econ.
- Serving our clients by:
 - increasing visibility of excellent research
 - building added value services
- Serving the network by:
 - focussing on cost-efficiency and innovation
 - developing concrete products
 - maximising on knowledge-exchange structures



Economists Online (EO)

Online access to the academic output of leading economists



EO facts and figures

- 6 partners, 4 countries, 4 key languages
- 68 authors
- One discipline
- 6,943 bib. references, 2,696 full-text documents
- Open access













Full-text open access content

•	Journals	1675	
•	WP/discussion papers	752	
•	Chapters	269	200
•	Reports	56	
•	Other	53	
•	Books (incl. dr. dissertations)	38	
•	Conference proceedings	21	



EO services

- Showcasing leading economists
- Search the publications of some of Europe's excellent economists

http://nereus.uvt.nl/eo



An environmental economist

"Excellent, a lot of added value"

The author





Entering into discussion

- Identify your stakeholders
- To support the research process
- Added value
- The language of the researcher
- Knowledge of work-processes
- Go to scientific conferences, talking to researchers about disseminating their work, and how they access new content



Identify needs

- Fast access to
 - one's own research output
 - other quality research output
- Info for research assessment
- Further visibility
- A back-up / archive service
- Spend as little time on administrative tasks as possible



Identify fears

- Time is research
- What is in it for me?
- Publishers
- Quality
- Structural support
- Current content
- Critical mass

Translate n&f into services

- Automated publication lists with full text links to final articles and open access content (see next slides)
- A showcase and search service of some of Europe's leading economists
- Secure archives, some long-term preservation
- Striving for content to be indexed by core selected search engines



Advocacy

- Heads of faculty and researchers
- Problem identification
 - Real-life scenarios
- Solutions: Concrete services
- Library support
- Progress and results





Critical success factors

- 3 partnerships
- Resolving real problems
- The idea, and a clear message
- Concrete products and services
- IPR support
- Interaction and feedback
- Advocacy!



As a consequence

Returning to our authors

- More full text to be uploaded new content
- More authors
- More partners (extending this to 15)
- More repositories
- Gaining critical mass
- Increasing access to quality content, both new and old of international significance



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