Open Access in Belgium in International perspective



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1. Institutional Initiatives





Belgium's Institutional Framework





Open Access in the French Community

Infrastructure and policy



- ✓ University repositories
- ✓ Compulsory archiving (6/12 month embargo)
- ✓ Grant based APC-funding with cap
- ✓ Cost for hybrid not eligible



Open Access in the French Community

The Marcourt Decree (October 5, 2016)

- ✓ Immediate publication of reference and metadata
- ✓ Compulsory deposit of Post Print
- ✓ If possible immediate publication of pub. Version, otherwise 6/12
- ✓ Imposing the 'Liège Model'





Open Access in the Flemish Community

Infrastructure and policy



- ✓ University repositories
- ✓ Compulsory article archiving (1 year embargoes)
- ✓ Encouraged archiving for non-FWO financed publications



Open Access in the Flemish Community

Flemish Council for Science and Innovation Recommendation (October 3, 2016)

- ✓ Support Green OA
- ✓ Inspired by EC and Council of the EU Recommendation
- ✓ Request for establishment of Roadmap
- ✓ Request for creation of Taskforce
- ✓ Considering Secondary Publication Law



Vlaamse overheid

Open Access at the Federal Level

Infrastructure and policy

- ✓ BELSPO created a central repository
- ✓ Mandate similar to FNRS
- ✓ Quality and transparency requirements for Gold OA





Open Access at the Federal Level

Legislative initiatives

- Extending Legal Deposit obligation to on line digital publications
- ✓ Royal Decree for author's rights transfer to the State





2. History of Open Access in Belgium





The 'driver' project (2006)



- ✓ EC-funded project to create a single European Information Space for Scientific Communication
- Established an aggregated European network of newly created Open Access repositories
- ✓ Belgian partners were instrumental





The 'driver' project babies



- ✓ Signing of the Berlin Declaration (2007-8)
- ✓ Open Access Pilot in FP7 (2008)
- ✓ Open Access requirement in H2020 (2014)
- ✓ OpenAIRE Helpdesk (2010)
- ✓ Open Access Belgium (2011)
- ✓ EC Recommendation (2012)
- ✓ Brussels Declaration (2012)





Official Open Access business

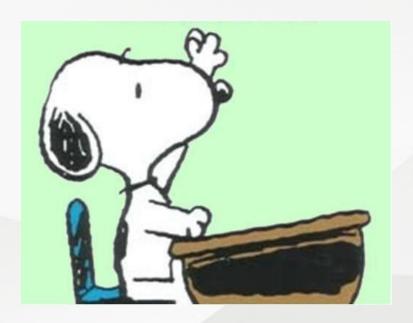
- ✓ National consultation
- ✓ International consultation,
 representation, drafting of roadmaps and
 reporting

Commission





Questions?





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