Open Access: OSI and eIFL's Work on the International Level, Activities in Ukraine on the National Level

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Overview of presentation

- Background on OSI & BOAI
- Introduction to Open Access
- eIFL Open Access Program
- Open Access in Ukraine

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Open Society Institute

- 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
- Network of national foundations in 67 countries.

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OSI's Information Program

- eIFL
- ICT Toolsets
- Intellectual Property and Knowledge Governance
- Internet & Information Policy
- Open Access Project
- Open Source
- Technology Support for Civil Society

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Driving force behind open access – Dissatisfaction at all levels

- <u>Authors</u>: their work is not seen by all their peers – do not receive the recognition they deserve
- <u>Readers</u>: cannot view all research literature they need – less effective
- <u>Libraries</u>: cannot satisfy information needs of their users

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Background of the BOAI

December 2001, Budapest: OSI held a meeting of leaders exploring alternative publishing models. Concluded that "open access" was the goal and agreed on two main strategies for achieving it:

1. open access journals
2. self-archiving/institutional repositories

3,992 / 341. March 1, 2006. Numbers of individual / institutional signatories to the Budapest Open Access Initiative.

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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.

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OSI's Open Access Project

- Builds upon principles outlined in BOAI and aims to assist the international effort to make research articles in all academic fields freely available online.

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OSI's Open Access Project

- Projects supported:
  - tools (DOAJ, DOAR)
  - guides (Guide to Open Access Publishing and Scholarly Societies, IR Software)
  - advocacy (Open Access News, SPARC)
  - research (Economics of OA)
  - conferences (OAI4)
  - eIFL OA Program

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- An independent foundation that strives to lead, negotiate, support and advocate for the wide availability of electronic resources by library users in transition and developing countries.
- Operates through a network of national library consortia in 55 countries.

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eIFL.net programs

- Licensing electronic commercial content
- Building sustainable library consortia
- Creating Institutional Repositories
- Open Access awareness raising
- Lobbying and awareness raising in Intellectual Property issues
- Giving Information Technology support

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Institutional Repositories

- eIFL.net has from the beginning aimed to be a conduit for electronic content produced in eIFL countries
- Assistance with the selection of IT tools and technical help and support to build IR
- Pilots have started in some eIFL.net countries
- This programme area is new and just starting to produce results (IRs in pilot countries)

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Open access

- Partnership with OAI to facilitate and support publication of authors from eIFL countries in alternative and OA journals
- Promotion of Open Access journals (DOAJ)
- Awareness raising workshops (SA, Ukraine, Lithuania, China, others planned) about principles and business models
- Advocacy about the importance of OA with research funding bodies and policy makers

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eIFL Open Access Program

- Supported by OSI
- Call for Interest among eIFL members:
  - Serbia, KoBSON, November 2003 & November 2005
  - South Africa, SASLI, July 2004 & May 2005
  - Ukraine, IRF, February 2005
  - Lithuania, LMBA, February 2005
  - China, LCAS, June 2005
  - Slovenia, COSEC, 2006
  - Russia, RSL, 2006

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Serbia

- Serbian Library Consortium for Coordinated Acquisition
- Open Access Scholarly Communication Workshop, National Library of Serbia, November 2003
- Open Access Seminar w/focus on Citation Impact, November 2005

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South Africa

- SASLI (South Africa Site Licensing Initiative)
- Open Access to Scholarly Communications Workshop, July 2004
- 3 day IR Workshop, May 2005
- Creation of OA Working Group (SASLI, University of KwaZulu-Natal, University of Cape Town, Stellenbosch University)

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Lithuania

- Lithuanian Research Library Consortia
- Open Access Scholarly Communication Workshop. Target group: policy makers, scientific community, librarians, information specialists, programmers, February 2005
- "Open Access - Revolution in the Scholarly Publishing?" Target group: vice rectors of the universities, policy makers for scholarly communication, scientific community, librarians, June 2005
- Development of Lithuanian Academic Libraries Network (national IR network); Received EU Structural Funds, considering Fedora, team led by Kaunas University

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China

- Library of Chinese Academy of Sciences
- International Conference on Strategies and Policies for Open Access to Scientific Information, Beijing, June 2005
  - Recommendations: require that all government funded research be published in OA; reform current system of review of S&T achievements so as to encourage academics to publish in OA; support leading journals to convert to OA
- Conducting studies of OA policies in other countries

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Ukraine

- International Renaissance Foundation (national Soros foundation)
- Open Access Conference, February 2005
  - Recommendations endorsed by Ukrainian Vice Prime Minister
- Parliamentary Inquiry, September 21, Harmonization of Governmental Educational Policies re OA
- National Network of Open Access Repositories (2006), 8 institutions

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Update on Open Access

- 2,072. March 1, 2006. The number of peer-reviewed OA journals listed in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ).
- Blackwell - Online Open (February 2005)
- Oxford - Oxford Open (May 2005)
- Springer - Open Choice (strengthened in October 2005)
- December 2005: a deal with the Wellcome Trust Wellcome Trust to provide immediate OA to articles based on WT-funded research.
- The American Institute of Physics - Author Select (October 2005)

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Update on Open Access

- 324. February 5, 2006. Number of OA, OAI-compliant repositories listed by OpenDOAR (Directory of Open Access Repositories).
- 637. March 1, 2006. Number of OA, OAI-compliant repositories listed by ROAR (Registry of Open Access Repositories).
- 611 / 6,526,648. March 1, 2006. Numbers of OA, OAI-compliant repositories / records harvested (indexed and searched) by OAIster.

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Update on Open Access

- 355,068. February 5, 2006. Number of articles on deposit at arXiv.
- 5,616,906. February 5, 2006. Number of articles on deposit at PubMed Central.
- 504. February 5, 2006. Number of institutional members of BioMed Central.

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Update on Open Access

- 145. February 5, 2006. Number of institutional members of the Public Library of Science.
- 13.9. June 23, 2005. Impact factor for PLoS Biology, the highest for the category of general biology.

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Update on Open Access

- 145. February 5, 2006. Number of institutional signatories to the Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge.
- Leaders in OA repositoires - Germany, Netherlands, Australia, Norway - almost in every university
- Average # of publications - a couple of hundreds, but in the Nerthelands about 3,000 - 25 % of all the researches
- Articles, theses and books
  - Yevgeniy Negulyaev, http://lib.usu.ru

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Update on Open Access

- Open Access textbooks: BookPower, California Open Source Textbook Project, CommonText, Free High School Science Texts, Libertas Academica, Medical Approaches, MedRounds Publications, next\text, Open Textbook Project, Potto Project, Wikibooks.
- Portal developed by Textbook Revolution.

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Ukraine: How we started

- Awareness raising:
- March 2004: Article about OA in *Dzerkalo Tyzhnia* (one of the most influential weeklies)
- April 2004: Seminar about OA journals for the editors of scientific and scholarly journals (society publishers) with the support from NAS
- April -till now: workshops and presentations about OA Journals and OA Institutional Repositories for university librarians, society publishers and academic community in general

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Ukraine: National event in 2005:

- 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

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Ukraine: National event in 2005:

- **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's access to knowledge**
  - **to encourage research and higher educational institutions to practice OA**
  - **to 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)**
  - **to 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.**

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Ukraine: National event in 2005:
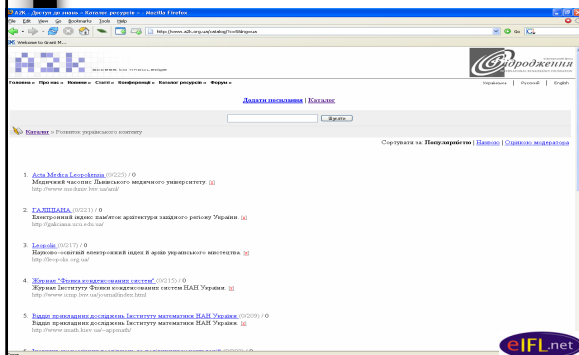
  - Recommendations endorsed by Ukrainian Vice Prime Minister

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

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

Ukraine: OA journals

- **OA Journals: Ukrainian OA journals in DOAJ:**
  - **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**

Ukraine: OA journals

- **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**

Ukraine: OA repositories

- INFORMATIO 2005 - 3 -7 October, 2005: university and oblast universal scientific libraries launched the network of OA repositories in Ukraine
- National Network of Open Access Repositories (2006) implemented 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

Ukraine: OA policies development

- 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

Ukraine: OA policies development

- Parliamentary hearing on Developing information society in Ukraine (from 01.12.2005): Parliamentary Inquiry, September 21, Harmonization of Governmental Educational Policies re OA
- Lobbying activities:
- web-site with public professional recommendations http://www.sluhannya.in.ua
- Informational leaflet to all members of the Parliament

Ukraine: OA policies development

- And again cooperation Recommendations of the first Parliamentary hearings on the development of the information society of Ukraine (September 21, 2005) were based on the recommendations of the workshop 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", International Renaissance Foundation, Microsoft Ukraine, and representative office of Intel in Ukraine.

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Ukraine: OA policies development

- Parliamentary Inquiry:
- 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.

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Ukraine: OA policies development

- 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.

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Ukraine: other plans for 2006:

- informational workshops for the journalists about OA
- competition for the journalist writing about OA
- competitions of students researches about OA
- investigation of scholars/journal editors attitude to open access
- 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

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Useful links and additional information

- **Budapest Open Access Initiative:** http://www.soros.org/openaccess/
- **eIFL Open Access Program:** http://www.eifl.net/services/services_open.html
- **Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ):** http://www.doaj.org/
- **OpenDOAR (Directory of Open Access Repositories):** http://www.opendoar.org/
- **ROAR (Registry of Open Access Repositories):** http://archives.eprints.org/
- **OAIster:** http://oaister.umdl.umich.edu/o/oaister/

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