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The Academic Library landscape in Italy: some figures

- 81 among Universities and Polytechnic
- 65 universities have an organized University Library System
- 1.026 academic libraries
 - 15% decrease from 2006
- Total budget in 2010: € 111.650.000
 - 8,8% decrease from 2006
 - € 52,70 euro per user
- 70% of the budget devoted to ER
- Mean of the opening hours per week: 46,24

(source: GIM, 2011)

Cooperation: good word, hard work

Internal

- Users
- Faculty
- Research centres
- Departments
- Offices (for example: research offices, research centres)

External

- Public libraries
- Schools, School Libraries
- Archives
- Museums
- Service providers and vendors,
- Local governments
- Prisons
- Google, OCLC

Reality. National cooperation in Italy

- CARE (The Coordination Group for the Electronic Resources Acquistions) held by the The Conference of the Rectors of the Italian Universities (CRUI)
- CIPE (Consortium of 11 Italian universities)





Deals with Licensing agreements for all the Italian Universities

Aims:

- Definition of National policies on licensing negotiations
- Coordination of the licensing agreement working groups
 - 17 agreements signed since 2013;
- Special projects and collaboration:
 - Training librarians
 - Digital Preservation



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CIPE to WorldCat

 11 Universities, 11 millions of bibliographic records to WorldCat

Aims:

- giving more visibility to the librarian Italian heritage;
- sizing the opportunity of participating, via WorldCat, to VIAF and to structure the data thought linked data;
- encouraging the adhesion to the CIPE-WorldCat project from other Italian universities;
 - Recently The National Library of Rome has also reversed its data in WorldCat
- d) promoting internationally the relevance of the Italian research outputs

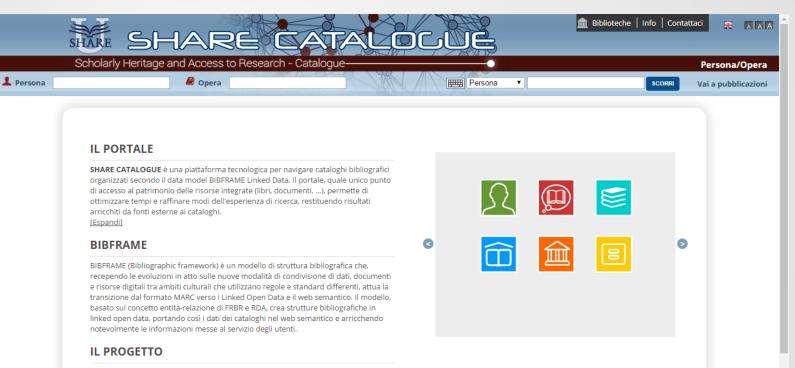
Reality. Local cooperation in Italy

- **SHARE** (Scholarly Heritage and Access to Research):
 - SHARE Catalogue of 7 universities of the South of Italy.

Data are enriched and exposed as Linked Data to the semantic web

- SHARE Discovery
- SHARE Press (e-Journals and e-Books)
- SBART. Sistema Bibliotecario Atenei Regione Toscana.
 - OneSearch, Collaborative Online Reference Service (Question Point)

SHARE Catalogue



Al progetto SHARE CATALOGUE partecipano le seguenti Università:

- Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II
- Università degli Studi della Basilicata
- Università degli Studi del Sannio
- Università degli Studi di Salerno
- Università degli Studi di Napoli Parthenope
- Università degli Studi del Salento
- Università degli Studi di Napoli L'Orientale

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Reality. Local cooperation in Italy

- The Integration Project of the University of Turin
 - Shared catalogue among University of Turin and 13 special libraries (Polo Bibliografico della Ricerca)
 - Collaborative Online Reference Service. UniTo libraries and public libraries
 - Feasibility study to extend (some) licensing agreements to public libraries
 - FinElib serving both academic and public libraries in Finland



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The «Norberto Bobbio» Library and the Polo Carcerario of «Le Vallette»

- The «Norberto Bobbio» Library is the biggest library of the University of Turin; is located in the campus Luigi Einaudi
- 3 departments: Law, Economics, Politics
- The Campus is the referring structure for the Polo Carcercario «Le Vallette»
- The Library:
- Preserves a special collection on prison topics
- Offers a special loan service for student prisoners
- Holds Internships for prisoners on probation





OpenTesi

- A network of 8 universities in collaboration with AIE and CINECA
 - Coordination: University of Verona
- OpenTesi is a semantic search engine for 11.000 theses
- Data are published as linked open data in JSON

OpenTesi



OpenTesi.

Open Tesi

Pubblicazione in OpenData ed esplorazione di dataset di metadati delle tesi di dottorato

Esplora

Dataset

Descrizione dei dataset

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Desire: we have a long way to go....



ACRL. Top ten academic libraries trends 2016

- Research Data Services
- Data policies and Data Management Plans
- Professional skills developments for librarians
- Digital scholarship
- OCLC, Does every reserach library need a digital humanities center?, 2015
- Collection assessment trends

S. Ward, *Rightsizing the Academic Library Collection* (Chicago: ALA Editions, an imprint of the American Library Association, 2015).

ACRL. Top ten academic libraries trends 2016

- ILS and Content providers mergers
- Evidence of learning. Student success
- New directions for the framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education
- Altmetrics
- Open Educational Resources

Desire. Digital preservation network

- Magazzini digitali, Portico
- The local loading CINECA NERA platform will be dismissed

Main Issues:

- Local loading, Post Cancellation Access, Digital Legal Deposit, Text Mining
- Portico is not a good solution for
 - Italian publishers
 - **non digital** born material
 - Portico's D-Collection Service preserves content on behalf of participating publishers

Desire. Digital preservation network

- Create a Digital preservation network based on university Infrastructure
- Cattolica University and IUE are 2 Global LOCKSS nodes

Desire. National Publishing Platform

- Many universities have developed their own OA publishing platform:
- http://riviste.unimi.it/
- http://www.ojs.unito.it/
- Or University Press
- http://www.universitypressitaliane.it/

Desire:

- A stronger coordination of all the (OA and TA) publishing activities
- A long term national strategy
- A National OA Publishing Platform

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Desire. Academic libraries and digital humanities centres

- Academic libraries vs Digital humanities centres
- Digital Libraries vs Digital humanities centres

Intersections

- Aims
 - Provide access to information, enable manipulation of data, transform scholarly communication, enhance teaching and learning, make a public impact
- Spaces
- Digital infrastructure
- Professional skills

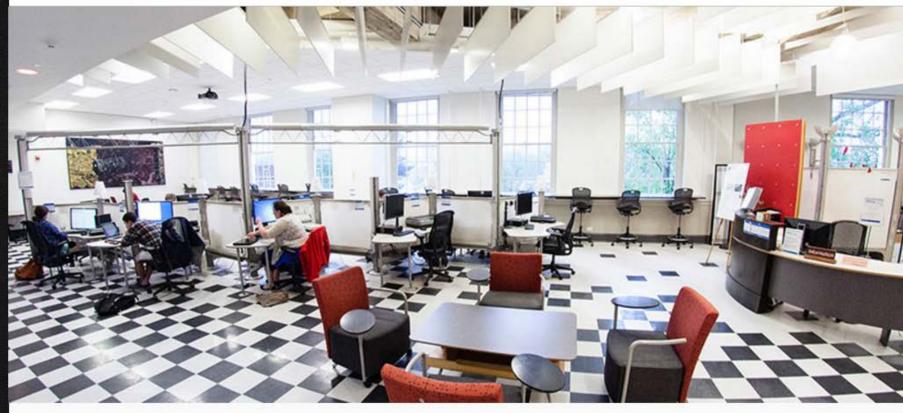
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