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# Library Networking in Italy between reality and desire

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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

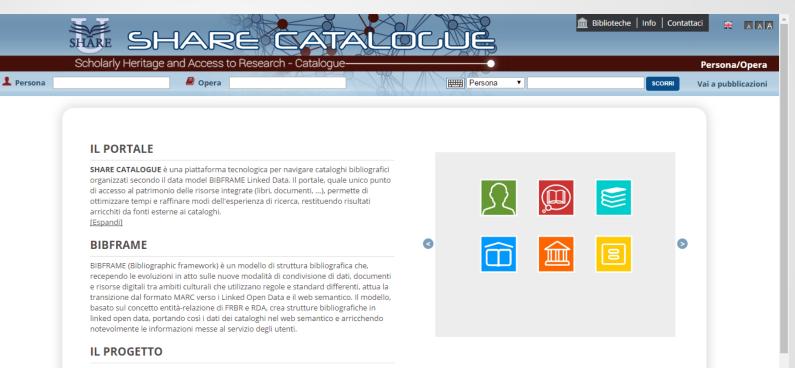
# Reality. Local cooperation in Italy

- **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

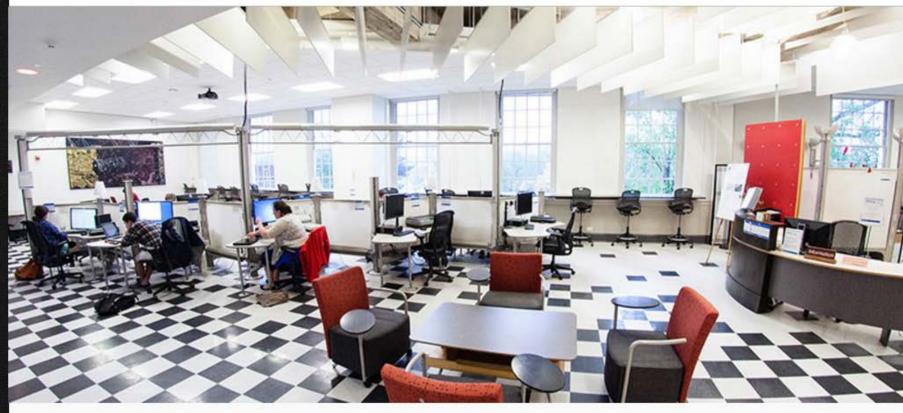
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