

## Open Archives Forum IST-2001-32015

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## forum Open Archives (or OA-) Forum

- European Union IST accompanying measure
  - to support EU projects and national initiatives
  - with funding for two years, then self-sustaining?

#### Partners

- Rechenzentrum der Humboldt-Universitt zu Berlin
- CNR, Pisa (Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche)
- UKOLN, University of Bath





Most important: broad participation of those projects & initiatives we are here to support

## **EU funding motivation**

Potential for EU of OAI aim to provide a "low barrier interoperability specification"

"hidden web" of European resources

- Eprints, the research literature
- Products of digitisation projects
- Other kinds of data



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Share experience among IST projects, and also other initiatives



## **OA-Forum core objectives**

>To provide European focus for dissemination and sharing experience To encourage building of infrastructure To encourage new services To raise awareness of technical and organisational issues To provide focus for interaction with OAI





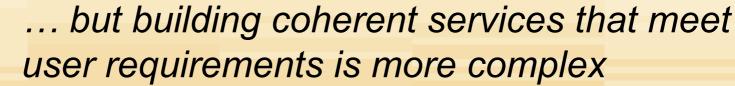
... building a community of interest



>OAI-PMH provides simple technical protocol

OAI-PMH provides simple specification for data providers







## **Relationship with the OAI**

- Liaison via various channels
- Communication with Steering Committee
- Involvement with Technical Committee
  - through participation of Susanne Dobratz, SUB
  - also a Technical Committee member at UKOLN
- OAI participation in OA-Forum workshops
  - Mike Nelson spoke at 1st workshop
  - Carl Lagoze will speak at 2nd workshop



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## **OAI – Organisation & support**

### Organisation

- Steering Committee for policy direction
- Executive Committee for management
- Technical Committee for evaluation

### Supported

- by funding from (US) bodies
  - Digital Library Federation
  - Coalition for Networked Information
  - National Science Foundation
- ... and by (global) community participation







#### On the Internet

- Information sharing and dissemination
- Web site
- Mailing list
- At workshops
  - Information sharing and dissemination
- Publishing reports and reviews







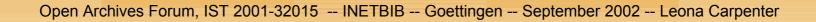
## **Participate via Internet**

- Use the web site www.oaforum.org
  - Contains news, glossary, reports, events
  - Links to external information
  - an open archives information source
    - current implementations database
    - inventory of software tools
    - interoperability issues register



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Share experience online
– contribute to web site information source
– join mailing list info@oaforum.org



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The Open Archives Forum provides a Europe-based focus for dissemination of information about European activity related to open archives and, in particular, to the Open Archives Initiative. The aim of the Forum is to facilitate clustering of IST projects, national initiatives and other parties interested in the open archives approach. In order to do so, the Forum brings interested parties together to build a community of interest, enable exchange of information and establish a web-based European information source for open archives. In addition, the Forum undertakes comparative reviews of technical and organisational issues.

#### **Open Archives Forum Public Email List**

This email list informs about OAForum activities, open archives in Europe and provides a forum for discussion of topics related to open archives approaches.

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#### News

Ingenta and University of Southampton to create open archive e-print service >>>

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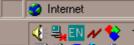
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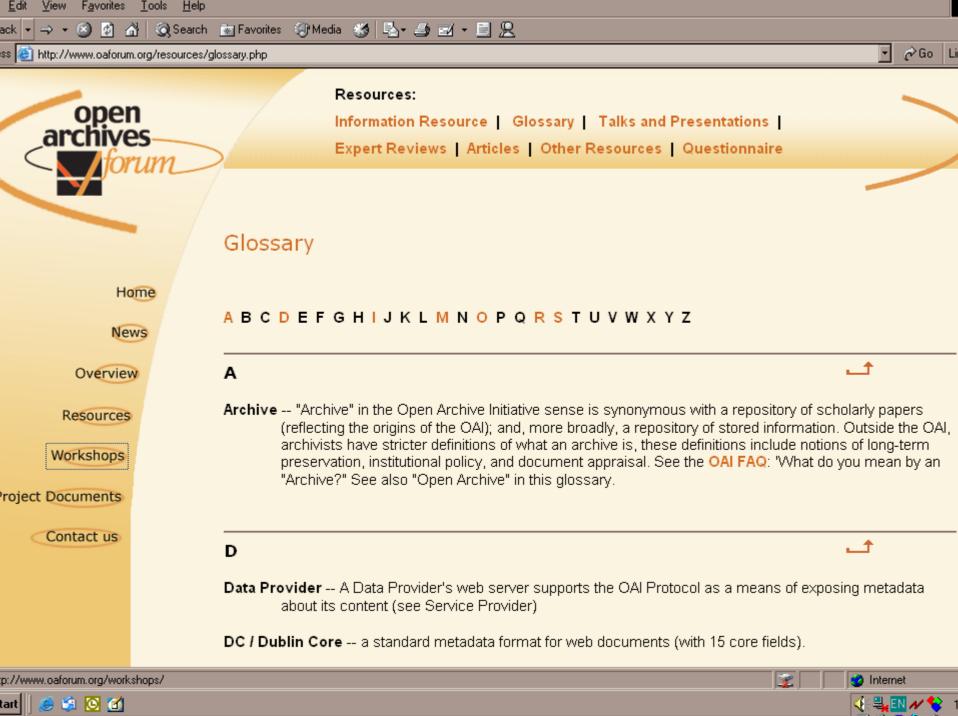
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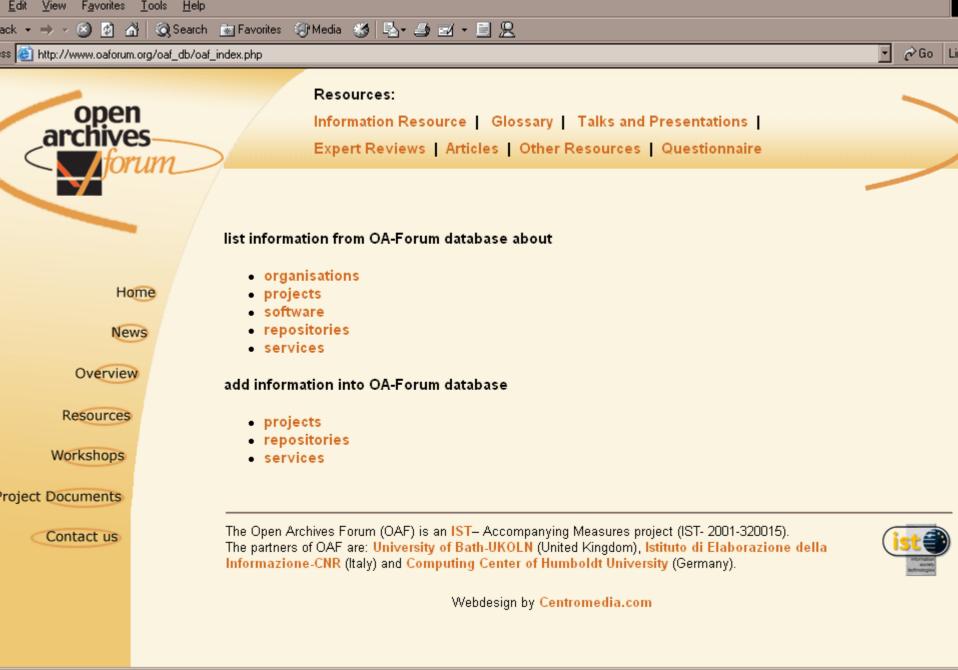
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## Participate in workshops

## Share experience face-to-face

- 1st workshop set the agenda
- started Organisational Issues working group
- Workshop material published on web site
  - speakers abstracts and presentations
  - breakout session summaries
  - final summing up and actions





- 2nd Lisbon, Dec. 2002
  - focus on libraries and archives
- > 3rd Berlin, spring 2003
  - focus on museums, also objects and images
- > 4th, Bath (UK), autumn 2003



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