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Progress Report on Open Repositories in Canada

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Open Repositories Working Group

“...work in collaboration with the Canadian repository community to define a strategic vision for repositories as well as helping to move the community forward around shared goals and objectives.”

Four Task Groups:



Community Building



Next Gen Repositories



Repository Usage Data



OpenAIRE



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OpenAIRE

“...to aggregate and facilitate discovery of Canadian content and enable the agencies to better access Canadian research outputs and identify their open access status.”

CARL and Canada’s Federal Granting Agencies Working Together to Improve the Discovery of Canadian Research Outputs

October 23, 2019. – Canada’s three federal granting agencies have agreed to partner with the Canadian Association of Research Libraries (CARL) on a pilot project which seeks to use the OpenAIRE service to improve the discoverability of Canadian open access content.

The widespread sharing of research articles and data, referred to as open science, promises to improve research impact, increase transparency of research findings, and accelerate the pace of new discoveries. In Canada, the three federal granting agencies—the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)— have implemented policies that aim to increase the adoption of open practices in the research community. However, there is currently no comprehensive way to discover and track these research outputs, as they are distributed across many platforms, repositories and services. In

ORWG 2020/2021

- Engage with CARL, ARC and other stakeholders to coalesce around a strategic vision for repositories in Canada;
- Consider and clarify the relationship between different repository types in Canada (e.g. articles, data, etc.), in collaboration with Portage;
- Investigate the potential for and interest in shared repository infrastructure, service delivery and support;
- Articulate and promote the role of repositories in supporting open access and open science/scholarship to a broad range of stakeholder communities;
- Support a community of practice for repository service providers in Canadian libraries, archives and museums;
- Identify and assist the implementation of interoperability requirements for repositories that will be needed to support a coherent network of repositories in Canada.