U.S. Repository Network: Moving from Vision to Action

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A partnership

Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition

SPARC membership includes more than 200 libraries and academic organizations across North America. SPARC is a non-profit advocacy organization that supports systems for research and education that are open by default and equitable by design.

Confederation of Open Access Repositories

COAR is an international association with 155 members and partners representing libraries, universities, research institutions, government funders, and others. COAR brings together individual repositories and repository networks in order to build capacity, align policies and practices, and act as a global voice for the repository community.
The U.S. Repository Network is an inclusive network.
Developing a Vision

- 63 member Expert Group
  - U.S. COAR members
  - SPARC Steering Committee members
  - Library leaders
  - Repository managers
  - Consortium leaders

- Coalition of Open Access Policy Institutions (COAPI)
- OpenCon Librarians
- Open call for public comment
An interoperable network of repositories is an essential component of our national research infrastructure, offering rapid and open access to research, and plays a crucial role in collective efforts to transform global research communications, leading to a more open, inclusive, and equitable system.
Steering Group

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https://thenounproject.com/icon/steering-1819686/
Engage with OSTP and federal funding agencies on implementation of public access guidance
Action Plan 2022-2023: Areas of Action

Develop network governance model
Build community & external relationships
Get updates

https://sparcopen.org/our-work/us-repository-network/