RSP offers you . . .

- Onsite consultation visits at your institution to offer practical advice on any aspect of repository set-up, development, integration or promotion
- Professional briefing events on topics to assist repository management and development
- Focussed workshop series on practical issues like copyright and metadata
- The RSP Summer School for in-depth study of repository development
- A series of briefing papers on the top management and technical issues for repository managers
- Website packed with information on building repositories, expanding content and increasing usage
- Presentations, advocacy materials and documents for you to use within your own institution
- A wiki-page for your institution, to share your thoughts and issues with your peers
- e-mail and telephone helpline for you to get a focussed response to your questions



The Whole World of Repositories

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Supporting the Development and Growth of the UK Repositories Network

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The Repository Support Project is a JISC-funded 2.5 year project to coordinate and deliver good practice and practical advice to English and Welsh HEIs to enable the implementation, management and development of digital institutional repositories.

Building Repositories

The RSP is contributing to building repository capacity, knowledge and skills within institutions. Through providing guidance and advice it benefits the whole of the UK sector resulting in the wider take-up and development of institutional repositories in HEIs.

The aim of the project is to progress the vision of a deployed network of interworking repositories for academic papers, learning materials and research data across the UK. Whilst fulfilling the business requirements of HEIs to manage their assets, showcase research outputs, and share learning materials, such a network of populated repositories will be a major step forward in the provision of open access materials.

The RSP & You

The RSP is consulting with the community at large in order to ensure institutions can be effectively supported whatever their repository type or stage of maturity. A databank of expertise, know-how and best practice is being built at the project website - www.rsp.ac.uk Support materials concentrate on four broad themes:

- Technical: software selection and installation, technologies, metadata, interoperability
- Organisational: staffing, business requirements and incentives, copyright clearance and digital rights management
- Repository management: policies, workflows, archiving and preservation
- Advocacy: advocating to different stakeholders and advising on marketing and promotion within institutions



Supporting the Community

The RSP is running an active outreach programme of advice and information. This targets institutions that are yet to take the first step, as well as giving more advanced institutions guidance on embedding existing repositories within institutional strategies. In both instances the RSP advises on the best way to develop clear decision paths, through practitioner-based presentations, briefing papers and hands-on support.

In developing its services and support the project draws on the wide-ranging expertise of its carefully selected combination of consortium partners and upon the substantial amount of additional expertise, research and infrastructure already available within the sector.

Project Partners

The project is being led by SHERPA, University of Nottingham, with core partners Aberystwyth University and UKOLN at the University of Bath. Other partners are the Digital Curation Centre and the University of Southampton.

All partners represent key centres of expertise regarding repositories, and the project builds on their previous national and international activity across the repositories landscape.