Opportunities for Institutional Repositories

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Presentation

Several perspectives on publishing and the role of repositories

- Publishing back to university
- LERU view on publishing and careers
- COAR strategy
- Open Science Foundation

Publishing back to the university

Article by By Shan Sutton

http://intheopen.net/2017/11/accelerating-academy-owned-publishing/

- Library investment in developing **publishing layers on preprint servers and open repositories** to influence the scholarly, peer-reviewed publishing options;
- Strategy to provide authors with high-quality **overlay journals**, to accelerate the publishing capabilities and services available through open academic infrastructure.
- Research libraries will **redirect subscription and APC funds** toward support for the development and maintenance of these new journals and the infrastructure that supports them.
- Ideally **subscription journals flip to a sustainable open model** by investing in the migration of those journals to open platforms and services sustained by universities and libraries.

Call to LERU rectors for action on publishing (and careers)

The Vice-Rectors of the 23 LERU universities believe it would be opportune for LERU to **undertake concrete action and to offer an alternative publishing platform to researchers**. For example, LERU could set up **its own OA publishing platform** as an alternative publication route to certain journals and would send a signal that LERU universities will stand up to the traditional publishing companies

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Vision:

position repositories as the foundation for a **distributed, globally networked infrastructure for scholarly communication**, on top of which layers of value added services will be deployed, thereby **transforming the system**, making it more research-centric, open to and supportive of innovation , while also **collectively managed by the scholarly community**.

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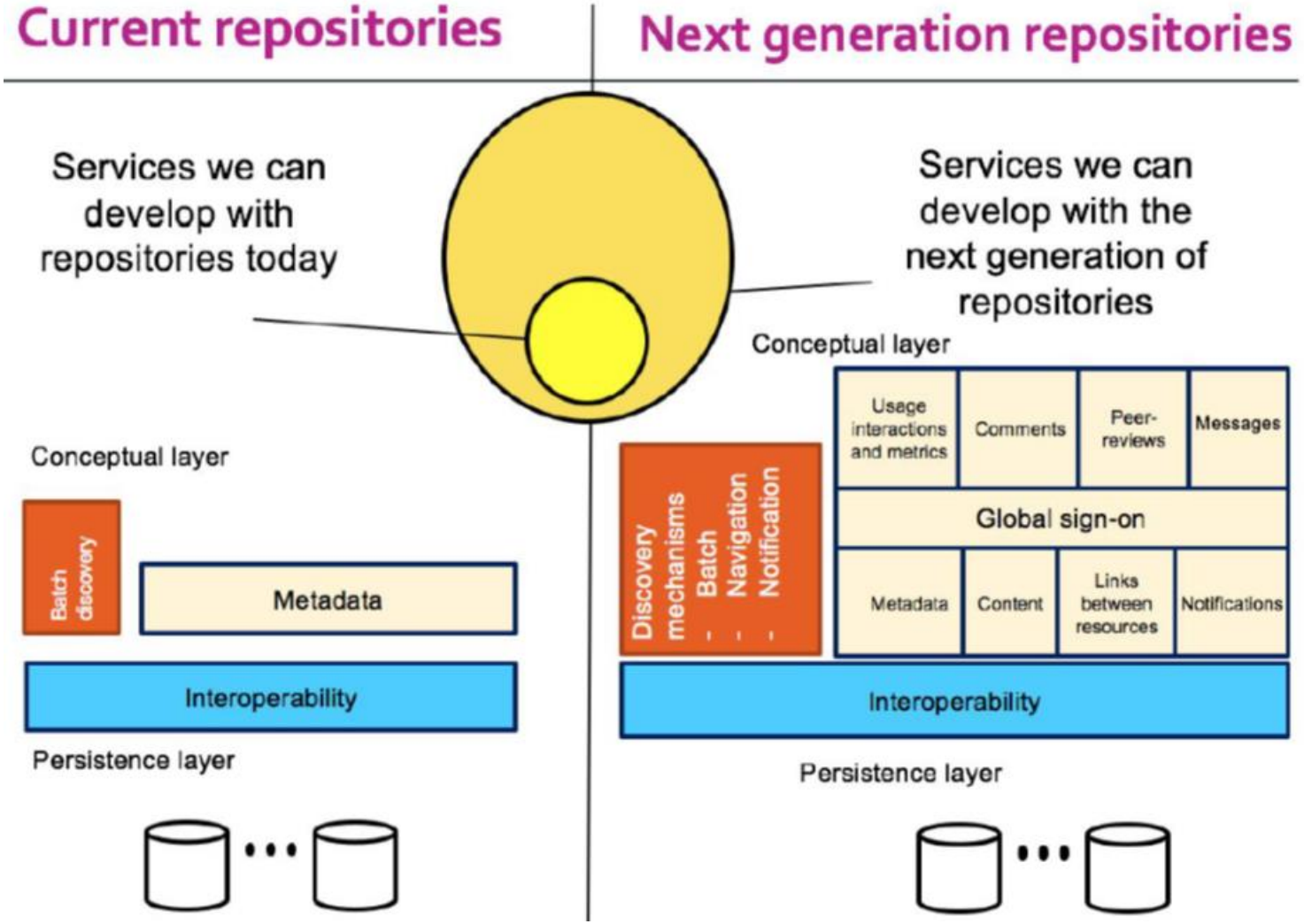
- The globally distributed network of more than 3000 repositories can be leveraged to create a more **sustainable and innovative system for sharing and building on the results of research**.
- Collectively, repositories can provide a **comprehensive view of the research of the whole world**, while also enabling each scholar and institution to participate in the global network of scientific and scholarly enquiry.
- Building **additional services** such as standardized usage metrics, peer review and social networking on top of a trusted global network of repositories has the potential to offer a viable alternative.

The new behaviours and technologies proposed will facilitate the development of new services on top of the collective network, including social networking, peer review, notifications, and usage assessment.



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This future involves a **shift away from libraries purchasing content** for their local users, towards **libraries curating and sharing with the rest of the world the research outputs produced at their institution**.

COAR's mission is to ensure that, as libraries and research organizations invest in and enhance their local services, they **adopt common standards and functionalities that will allow them to participate in the global network**.

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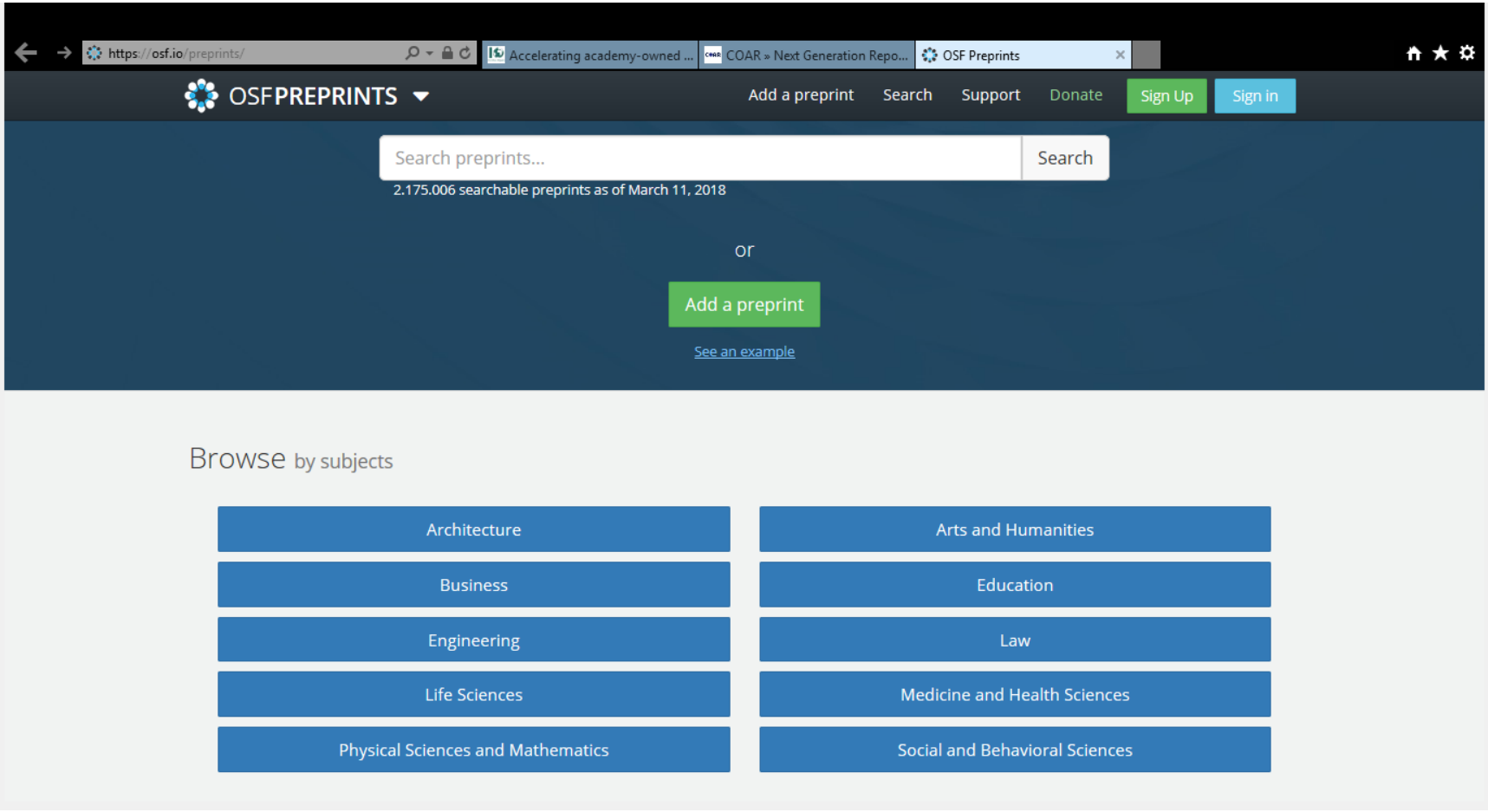
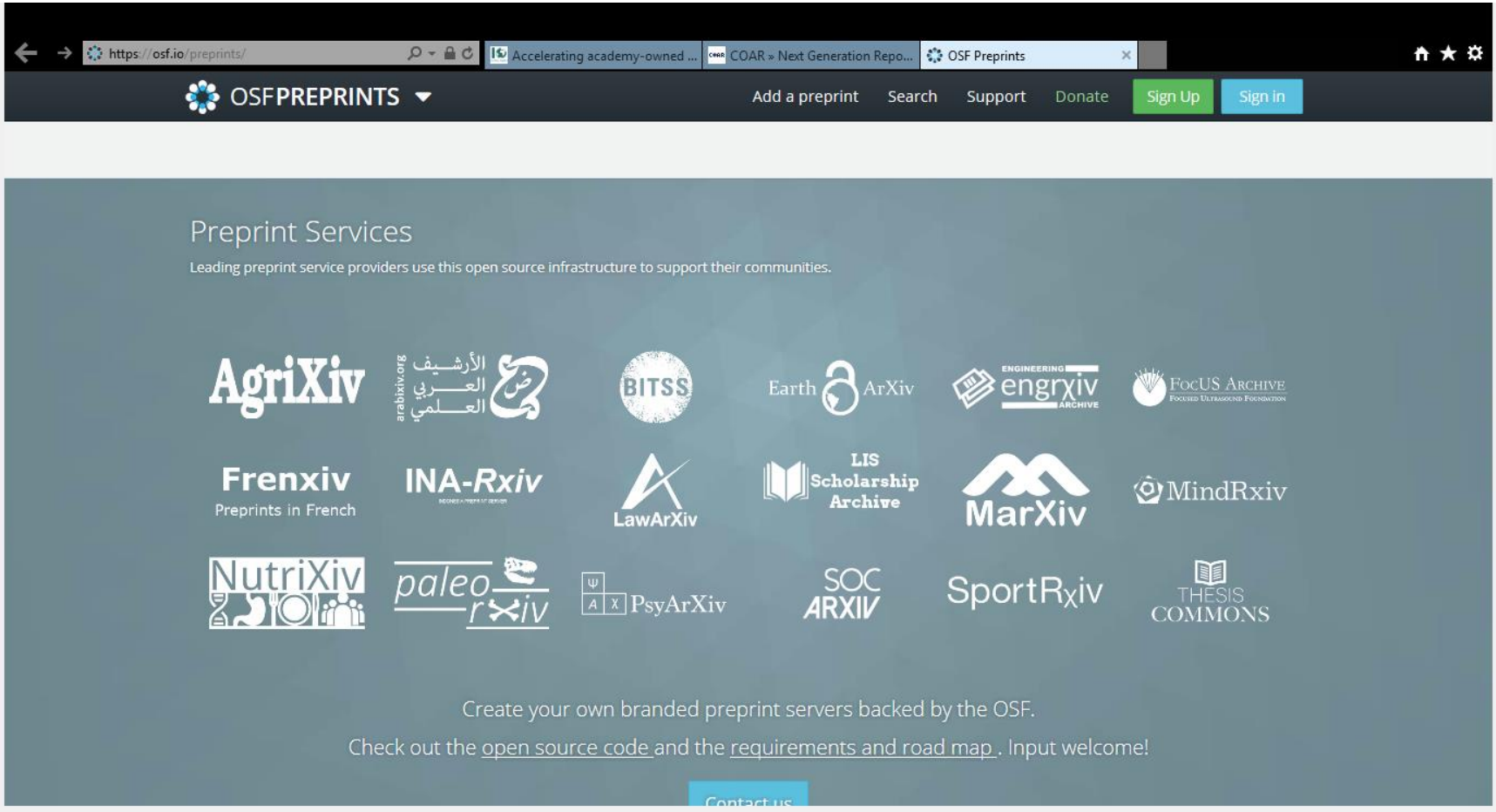
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