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IRUS-UK

Institutional Repositories Usage Statistics in UK (IRUS-UK)

IRUS-UK collects raw usage data from UK Institutional Repositories (IRs) and processes these data into COUNTER-compliant statistics. This provides repositories with comparable, authoritative, standards-based data and opportunities for profiling at a national level. IRUS-UK is a community-driven development, responding to user needs.

IRUS-UK annual survey

Our 2016 annual survey is currently open. We are interested to understand your views on IRUS-UK, and hear any comments or suggestions for improvement. IRUS-UK development is driven by community needs, so we will use the information from this survey to feed into discussions about further enhancements to the service.

The survey includes the following sections:
- Use and value of IRUS-UK
- Usability
- Guidance/support
- Overall satisfaction
- Other comments and follow up

We are offering entry into a prize draw to win a £50 Amazon voucher to all who complete the survey. Details of how to enter are at the end of the survey.

The survey should take no more than 15 minutes of your time. All data collected in this survey will be held securely. Personal details, where supplied, will not be passed to any third party. Cookies and personal data stored by your web browser are not used in the survey. We would welcome your responses by Friday 1st April 2016.

The survey is available at
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/irusuk2016

If you have colleagues who are also familiar with IRUS-UK, feel free to pass on the link for them to complete the survey.

Welcome to seven new participants

We would like to welcome our latest participating institutional repositories, meaning we currently have 96 institutional repositories representing >65% of eligible institutional repositories:

Nottingham Trent University – IRep

UWL Repository

RaY – Research at York St John

Sunderland Repository (SURE)

DataSTORRE: Stirling Online Repository for Research Data

PlyMSEA

Bradford Scholars

Other news

Our Community Advisory Group (CAG) will be holding its next meeting (face-to-face) in April this year at the Jisc offices in Manchester. If you have anything you would like to be discussed then do contact us at irus@jisc.ac.uk

IRUS-UK case studies

We've added another case study to the website so now have two available, with more planned in future. The two we currently have are:

Open Access Infographic at Imperial College London - a case study of how IRUS-UK statistics are being used on a monthly basis to contribute to an open access infographic that is shared with researchers. The IRUS-UK reports used are the Repository stats table; Item Report 2; and Article Report 4.

Statistics Libguides page at Leeds Metropolitan University - a case study of how IRUS-UK statistics are being used on a monthly basis to contribute to a repository statistics page as part of the library website. The IRUS-UK reports used are the Item Report 1 and the Article Report 4.

Both case studies are available from the Support Materials section of the Help page on the IRUS-UK website. We plan to collect more case studies of how different institutions are using IRUS-UK statistics in future and will add them to this page.

If you're currently using the IRUS-UK statistics in your institution and are willing to share how you use them, please contact irus@jisc.ac.uk and we'll arrange to discuss it with you. It should only take a short phone call; we will then write up the case study.

Out and about

The IRUS-UK team most recently presented at:

Charleston Conference, Charleston, SC, USA, Lorraine Estelle, COUNTER & Jo Lambert, Jisc presented "Data that Counts", looking at JUSP and IRUS-UK as practical usage statistics tools, built on COUNTER standard, and how they are used in practice.
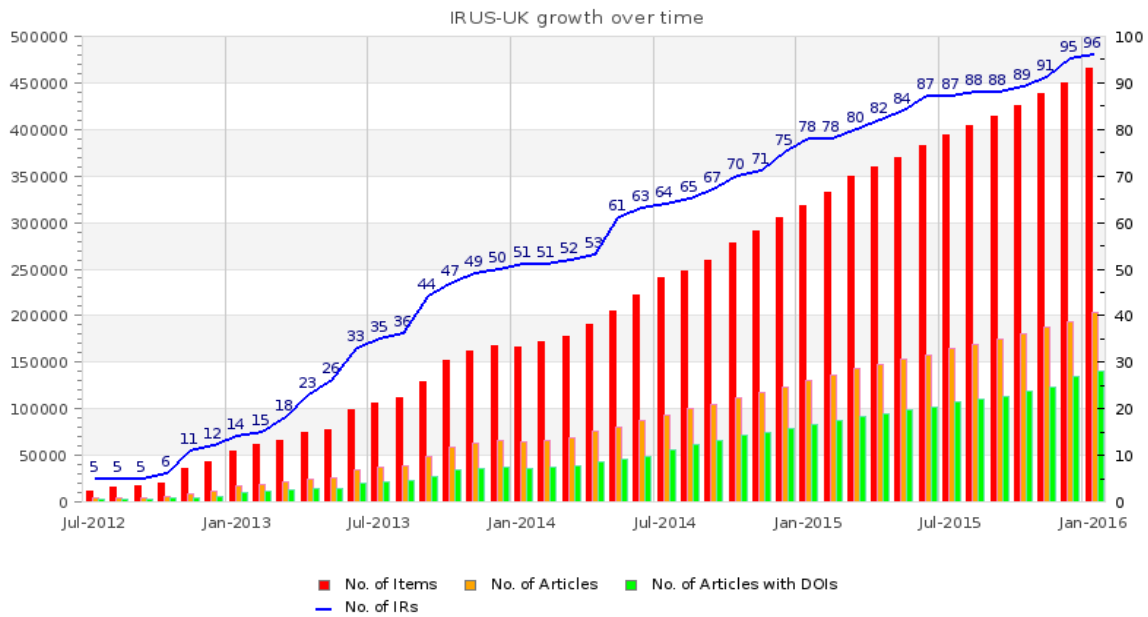Presentation available at: PDF,

Upcoming presentations will be given at:

Digifest 2016 at the ICC, Birmingham (02-03/03/16)

UKSG 2016 in Bournemouth (11-13/04/16) Library analytics paper covering JUSP, IRUS-UK and LAMP

IRUS-UK growth over time

Project Honey Pot

Project Honey Pot is a free, distributed, web-based, open source system for identifying the IP addresses of spammers and spambots. IRUS-UK is participating in Project Honey Pot and has contributed to the project by identifying a previously unknown email harvester. We recommend that our users also participate. Further information can be found on the Project website (http://www.projecthoneypot.org/index.php).

Contact Us

You can keep up-to-date with developments by visiting our website www.irus.mimas.ac.uk

We welcome your views on your experience of using the website and portal.

Please get in touch if you have comments, questions or ideas for future developments.