

# Embedding Repositories

## A Guide and Self-Assessment Tool

# GETTING VALUE FROM YOUR RESEARCH REPOSITORY



This new online guide is a one stop shop for information and advice on integrating research repositories with other university systems, particularly research management systems.

Launched in December 2011, its aim is to help institutions to get the best value from their institutional repositories through integration with other university systems, particularly research management systems. This can bring advantages to institutions, by:

- Helping in planning for the REF and reporting
- Promoting the university's research in a global context
- Increasing engagement with businesses and the community
- Widening access to the university' research generally

*“Looking through the guide and self-assessment tool, it is evident that the UK has developed a solid infrastructure surrounding institutional repositories both within and between institution; ... As a whole, the Embedding Repositories Guide and Self-Assessment Tool is an excellent starting point for any repository wanting to take its services to the next level.”*

Wyngard, Michele L. Embedding Repositories: A Guide and Self Assessment Tool by JISC, *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication*, Vol1, Issue 1 (2012) <http://jisc-pub.org/jlsc/vol1/iss1/13/>

The guide synthesises the learning from JISC funded projects and other institutional initiatives in one place. It includes video clips and a self-assessment questionnaire.



INCREASE THE CONTENT IN YOUR REPOSITORY

**Submit** – The guide provides a wealth of information on how to increase the content of your repository. It includes examples of successful advocacy campaigns and ways of simplifying work flows to support self-archiving.

**Calculate your 'E' Factor** – The guide includes a self-assessment tool which can be used by institutions to generate an “embedded score”. This can assist in focusing on areas for development and for initiating inter-departmental working.



CALCULATE YOUR 'E' FACTOR



HELP WITH THE REF (RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK)

**Help with the REF** – This section describes how an institution has used the repository in their REF plans and looks at projects which support institutions in their preparation for the REF.

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