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Embedding into the work environment of a researcher or research group: the library on the move

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Summary :

Utrecht University Library is making a fundamental change from being a traditional library to becoming an innovative Partner in Science. In addition to being a place to store and find knowledge, we now support the workflows of the actual production and presentation of scientific knowledge products. Our means is the Virtual Knowledge Center. A virtual knowledge center offers a multitude of tools for communication, collaboration, access to the professional network of experts and scientists and a gateway to a wide range of relevant information, scientific resources and data storage facilities in one single, secured environment. Keywords are Communication, Collaboration and Repository. For each scientific community the library creates a unique, tailor-made working environment. The community members subsequently choose who to invite, what to publish, what to present and what to share. This is a bottom-up process. Researchers also want to have their scientific output at hand. Therefore, the repository infrastructure is being used to provide access to the community's scientific output. Currently we are extending this to include not only the full-text open access publications, but all of the community's output, past present and future.

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