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A workflow for easier repository deposit using SWORD - the EM-Loader

It can be hard to motivate researchers to spend the necessary time to fill out forms containing the bibiographic metadata for their papers in order to submit material to an open access repository. However, most academics can see the need for maintaining a professional personal web page listing their publications.

The EM-Loader project (http://publicationslist.org/em-loader) reduces the effort required for a researcher to submit all their papers to a repository to just a few clicks by linking a system designed for maintaining a personal publications list on a web page (http://publicationslist.org) to a repository, in this case the Depot (http://depot.edina.ac.uk, based on ePrints), using automated interfaces including SWORD.

The approach is not restricted to particular repository systems or publications list front ends, and offers the potential for substantially more research being submitted to repositories by removing much of the effort and giving an immediate reward, in the form of an easily maintained academic web page.

Summary

This poster will outline the outcomes of the EM-Loader project, the benefits to both researchers and repository managers and plans for future development.

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