CERN-UNESCO SCHOOL ON DIGITAL LIBRARIES: WHAT NEXT FOR SOROTI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY- UGANDA

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Soroti University of Science & Technology is a science based institution, the ninth and the youngest public university in Uganda. The taskforce to establish it was appointed in 2012 and hopes to enroll the maiden students in February, 2019. The University is in the process of equipping its departments, among them is the library. From the CERN-UNESCO school 2018, the participants from Uganda have the set up the following 5 point vision;

1. Conduct an information sharing session for staff. This will involve sharing knowledge, skills and experience at CERN with colleagues. Among issues to share shall include; the "why" of OpenAccess, the options in publishing (Green and Gold option, the use of ORCiD, and options for platforms for sharing research data, demonstrations on the use of systems like Zenodo, Open Access Africa e.t.c.
2. Advocate for a well-equipped ICT Centre at the Library. We hope to engage management to support the library budget to enable the library purchase some ICT infrastructure and software. We shall follow up on our proposals written to CERN and the Uganda Communications Commission to build on our infrastructure.
3. Draft an Institutional repository policy. This will guide the acquisition process and control copyright infringement.
4. Adopt using Open Access Africa and Zenodo for a time being and Open refine for editing our data from KOHA. We have set up a further training plan with the facilitator from TIND and we hope to abide by it.
5. We also hope to collaborate with TIND and invest more so as to have an integrated system which can manage both library functions and IR by 2020.

#Invenio" is the way to go.

"Thank you."