EERQI Introduction (from the technical point of view)

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Technical partners

EERQI is an ICT-driven project:

- Berlin School of Library and Information Science at Humboldt-Universität (B-SLIS)
- Institute for Science Networking Oldenburg (ISN)
- Xerox Research Centre Europe, Grenoble
- Regional Computing Centre for Lower Saxony of the Leibniz University of Hanover (RRZN)
- Radboud University, ITS
- University of Lund, University Libraries







EERQI-website has been designed and launched









An internal website has been set up as common workspace. Instruments for internal communication (e.g. a Wiki, Web DAV) have been set up and tested.









- An aggregated, federated content base has been set up, including collections of several electronic resources like journal articles, monographs, and book chapters in the languages English, German, French and Swedish).
- More than 2 GByte of full text is available.
- Documents have been analysed pertaining to formats, availability, metadata, reliable log files, restrictions, etc.







- A search and query engine has been developed and already been implemented with a user interfaces in English, French, Swedish and German, giving access to:
 - Publication on the web in fulltext,
 - Metadata and two-line snipetts of publications in the content base.









- Part of the EERQI search engine has been opened to the public and is available on the project website.
- The prototype search engine has also been integrated into the German meta search engine www.metager.de.







Work in progress

- A testing methodology for indicator verification has been suggested.
- The methodological principle is to compare the validity of automatically generated statistics (like citation and usage statistics) with human assessments in a peer review process.
- We are scrutinizing, whether automatically generated statistics can be used as probabilistic indicators of quality, when they are considered in combination and in a sufficient quantity.







Details on the Evaluation Process

Goals:

- Configuration and optimization of the automatic qualtity checking implemenation
- Evaluation of the whole workflow







Review of Journals

Step 1:



- Build a testing corpus of 4 x 100 articles of
 - 6 10 pages length,
 - 2 10 year age (with the majority from 2006),
 - in the four project languages:
 - German
 - English
 - French
 - Swedish

Step 2:



 Crosscheck by the Scientists in the project, that articles are from the field and potentially of relevance.







Review of Journals

Step 3: in progress

- Find reviewers for the articles (each article needs at least 4 reviews)
- Build a matrix, who should review which article

Step 4:

- Build a questionnaire
 - Build the list of questions

in progress

Build an online tool to support the review process









Review of Journals (Questionnaire)









Review of Publications

Step 5: can start after finishing of the intellectual review

Customizing and optimizing the automatic evaluation tools

Step 6:

 Run the evaluation tools on the content base (non-open access articles, books, inserts, etc.)

Step 7:

Evaluate the results by scientists from the project.

Step 8:

Customize and optimize the automatic evaluation tools
(Steps 7 and 8 may be recurse several times)

Step 9:

 Include the evaluation tools into the search enging harvester and run it on new media (like blogs, twitter channels etc.)







Indicators for the Algorithms

- Usage (OA vs. Non-OA!)
- References (DOARC project)
- Institutions (danger of circular reasoning)
- Review indicators (at least 100 document fulltexts for all quality levels and languages)
- Formal criteria (more usable for automatic destinguishing the genres and formats), is Readability also one?
- Originality/Significance and Rigour (do we have batches of good and bad examples?)







Next steps

- We need your input:
 - List of Reviewers
 - Matrix who should review what
 - Final version of questionnaire
 - List of relevant journals
 - List of professional institutions
 - Usage data of OA publications
 - Usage data of publications
 - Translated texts for the web server







Thank you for your attention

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