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Evaluating the NTUA institutional repository

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Project overview

- Launched after NTUA Senate's decision (February 24, 2006)
- Goals were set
- ETD submission system was implemented
- IR pilot testing period began (July 2007)
- Evaluation was conducted (January 2008)
- Conclusions were drawn, adjustments were made and new goals were set

Objectives

- Evaluate the IR service pilot period, focusing on the ETD submission process
- Refine and improve the above mentioned process
- Promote the concept of self-archiving and open access

Methodology

- Web-based survey
 - consisting of seven questions with pre-defined
 Likert values
 - targeting on the ETD submission users' population
- An internal piloting was conducted beforehand
- Submissions between July 1st 2007 and January 31st 2008 were used
- 78 out of 128 users responded (61%)

ETD submission process



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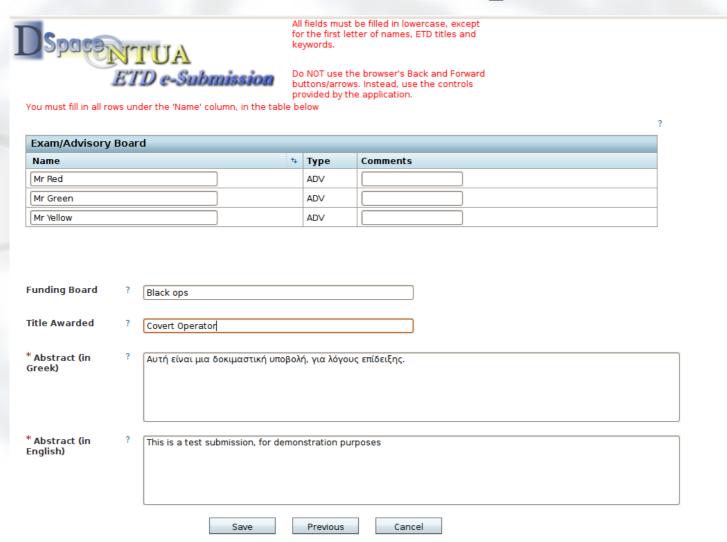
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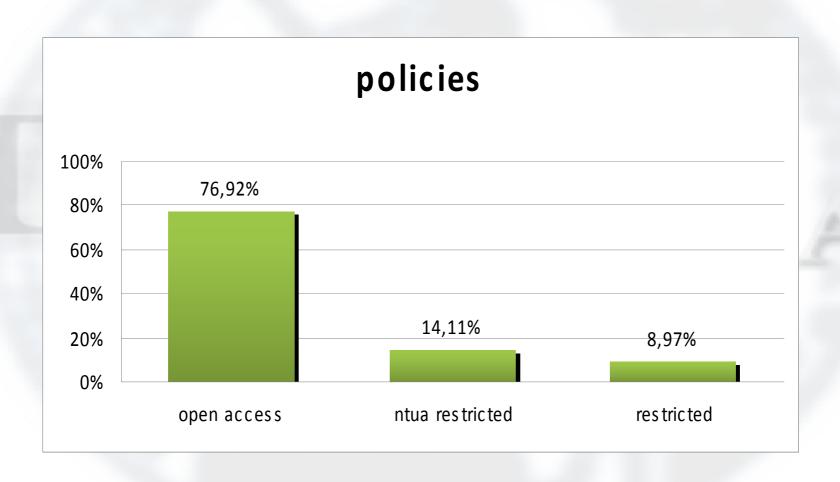
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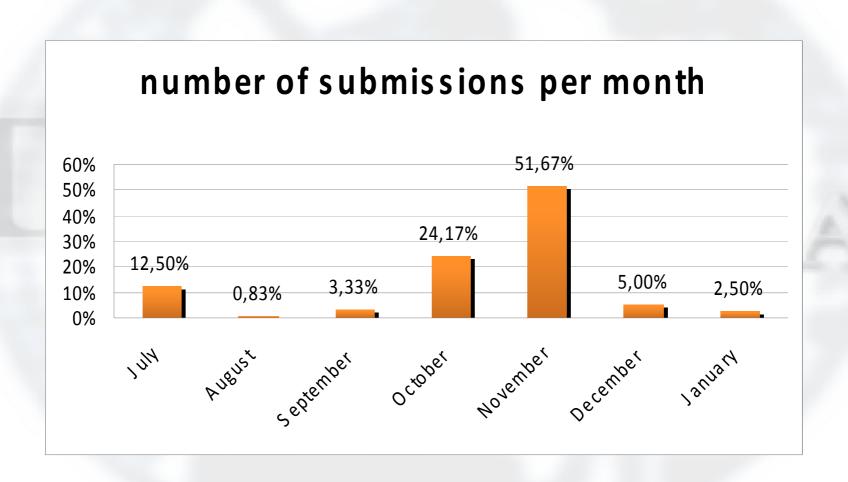
Statistical analysis

- Data were imported into and processed by SPSS
- Frequency and cross tabulations tables, correlations, and *chi-square tests* (x²), derived from SPSS
- Excel was used in table processing and charts output
- Key results were exposed online, updated in real time

An example



Another example



Online results screenshot



Main conclusions

- Younger users use the IR more
- Thesis type (diploma, master, Ph.D.) is irrelevant to the access policy selection
- Number of IR staff members should increase
- Fully automated metadata importing process is crucial
- Staff and user training is necessary

Future plans

- Process weaknesses detected will be rectified
- Full text searching capability is under consideration
- Automated batch importing system is under development
- A new survey will be conducted, involving all the university departments
- Establishing a strategic preservation plan

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