Meeting minutes from third team meeting in Yerevan

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**Discussed topics:**

**10-11th of June**

On the first day project team for the Open Access Publishing in Armenia (OAPA) met and discussed what has been done during this 1 year and 6 months. The working team finalized the project achievements, discussed further steps for maintaining the IRs and the creation of the OA mandates, organization of the OA week at AUA. Brainstormed on the promoting of the IR and OA. The project team will continue communicating via emails and meet online via skype. The project officially will end in 2019 December. However the process will continue, the goal of the project will be to set up IRs, promote them within larger community and establish OA mandates at least on a university level. Make sure that academic community does know about IR and OA publishing. The created IRs will be used by larger community too.

During the Bergen trip in 2018 it was decided also to conduct a post survey with AUA and PAARA. The pre and post survey results were analyzed by Angela Repanovici, however it was recognized the timing for the post survey was too early, and there will be a need to conduct one more at the end of the year. The number of the responses for the post survey were less than the pre survey. The OA and IRs were not promoted very well. That is why the post survey will be conducted after the OA will be promoted within academic community.

During the meeting following topics were discussed and presented:

* An article presented at the Qualitative and Quantitate Research Methods (QQML) 2019 in Florence, Italy by Tatev Zargaryan. The article was written based on the pre survey results that was conducted before the project started. Angela Repanovici presented the pre survey analysis and also gave her recommendations.
* The project web page, it was decided to add and change some parts of the content since it’s a work in progress. Also it was stressed that all the PPTs from the OA week and study trip will be available on the project’s webpage. Including the meeting minutes. However detailed financial information will not be disseminated through the webpage.
* For the visibility matters, the project website should be linked to the both university webpages.
* AUA project team members Satenik Avagyan- library director, Hasmik Galstyan - Head of Reference and Circulation Services, Tatev Zargaryan – System and E-Services librarian, discussed about OA and IR in PAARA and also presented the project and its goals.
* Team brainstormed on the promotion methods of the OA and IRs in the universities, and came up with the list of methods:

1. To be present for Open Access week and library week in April, to promote the OA
2. To bring a big name like a researcher/faculty member to present the benefits of publishing in OA
3. Students can be informed about OA during specific course like research methods, plagiarism  as well as a workshop for faculty
4. Social media and public events for introducing the OA
5. Introduce the OA through the IL sessions
6. To create brochures about OA (look up in the internet for the examples, or wear orange and give orange candies)
7. Online tutorial and videos about OA that will be stored on a libguides or a website
8. To present the OA during National awareness  day (PAARA)
9. Banners and brochures at the University, some information on the big monitor or library space
10. Make the OA as a one year priority and organize workshops, seminars
11. Get student ambassador among the student  body and promote the OA
12. Promote the OA and IR through website
13. Rewards to the faculty and students from the library (selected by the library team)
14. Discussions and consultations with the scientific council (PAARA), informative session with faculty, maybe during brownbag
15. Sharing OA databases with faculty and students
16. Guest speaker (for future )
17. Marketing of the OA and IR
18. To incorporate the OA topic into another talk and promote it that way
19. To create OA apps on the mobile and maybe to come up with an app with librarians and students working on that together