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Preliminary Findings from the euroCRIS/OCLC Research Survey of Research Information Management Practices

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Abstract:

A Survey of Research Information Management Practices was jointly carried out by euroCRIS and OCLC Research from October 2017 to January 2018. In this presentation, we will share preliminary findings from this survey, and build upon earlier research conducted by euroCRIS and EUNIS in 2016, which examined the use of and interoperability between CRISs and institutional repositories (IRs) in European research organizations.

The goal of the most recent survey is to inform the research community about the goals, purposes, and scope of research information management practices. These include the creation of registries for institutional research outputs, awards/grants management, academic activity reporting workflows, as well as publicly available researcher expertise profiles. It also examines institutional stakeholders, workflows, interoperability, and standards in use.

With more than 300 survey respondents from 40 nations, including responses from 18 European countries, this survey provides a powerful and current snapshot of the state of the research information management landscape worldwide, and provides a 360 degree view into local, regional, and national practices, and provides additional details about drivers, internal and external interoperability, metadata harvesting sources, and adoption of persistent identifiers (PIDs).

Local, national, and international stakeholders are also evolving, and CRIS systems are expanding to accommodate more uses, workflows, and require greater interoperability than ever before. The survey reveals how CRIS activities are evolving to incorporate activities beyond research administration, and are increasingly used to support the FAIR communication, sharing, and profiling of research, through open access linkages and compliance tracking for publications, and to a lesser degree, research datasets. This intersects with the growing role of libraries in research information management practices, as they are key stakeholders in the support of open science.

The full survey results will be published by OCLC Research in 2018. Additional information is available at <u>http://oc.lc/rim</u>.

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