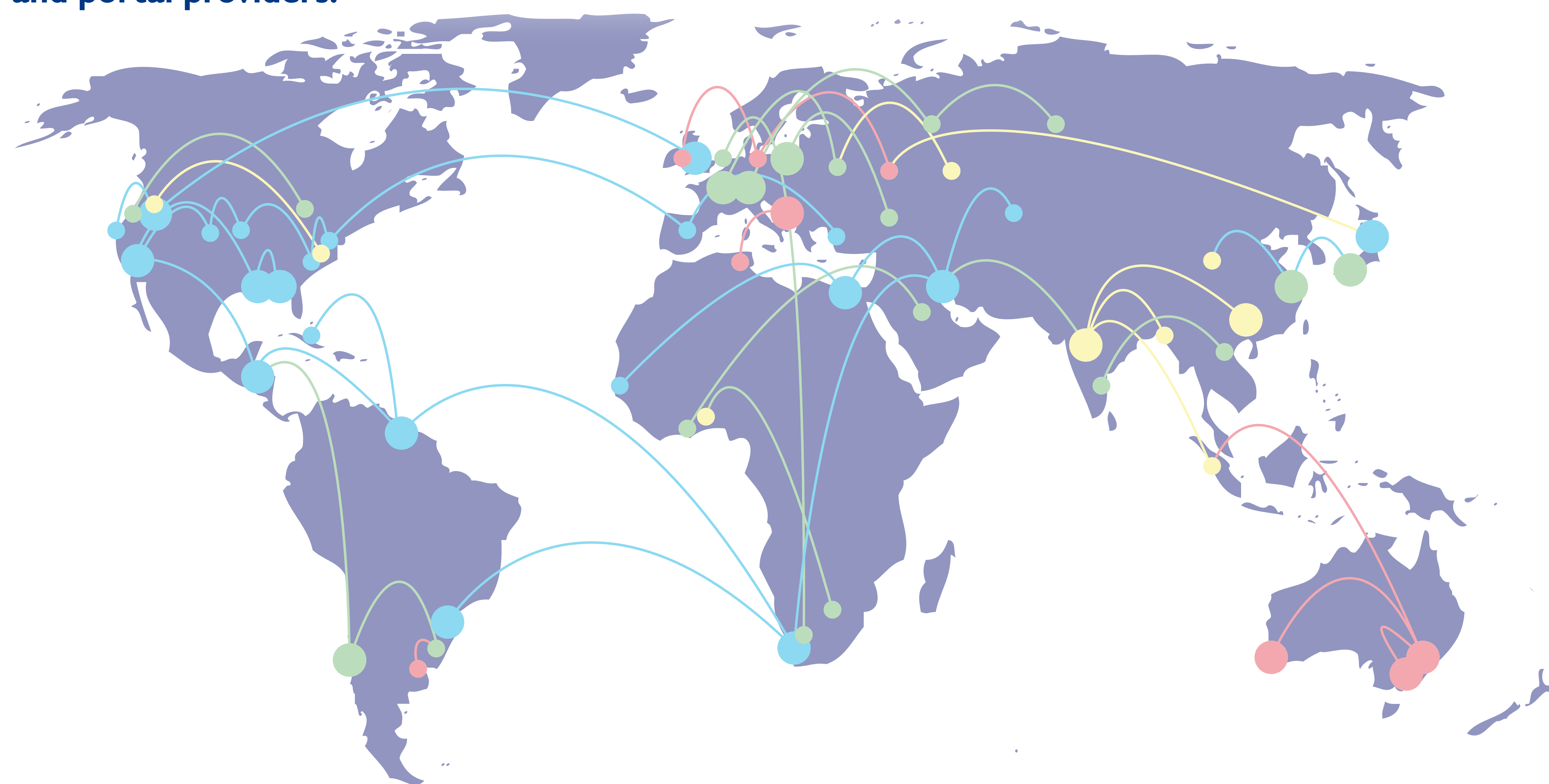




What you will find in COAR

The **Confederation of Open Access Repositories (COAR)** is a not-for-profit association of repository initiatives launched in **October 2009**. It aims to enhance greater visibility and application of research outputs through global networks of **Open Access digital repositories**.

Through its member institutions, **COAR** is working towards the development of a global network of **Open Access repositories** to enhance the wide visibility and applicability of research outputs. **COAR** promotes infrastructure interoperability and a joint global data store of **Open Access repositories** to enable and support the re-use of data by service and portal providers.



"We are delighted to announce our membership in COAR. COAR membership offers CARL and Canadian research libraries the opportunity to have a greater influence on the direction and expansion of open access world-wide"

- Tom Hickerson

Chair of the CARL Institutional Repositories Working Group and Vice-President/ President Elect of CARL

"I have no doubt that this collaborative structure will lead to the successful sharing of research worldwide in the best form possible, harvesting national efforts all over the world, including Japan, and from the bottom of my heart I congratulate COAR on its launch."

- Masaaki Hemmi

Director of Digital Repository Federation
Vice-President of Hokkaido University

"JISC has this week become a founding member of the Confederation of Open Access Repositories (COAR), joining those representing the UK. The aim of COAR is to 'enhance and progress the provision, visibility and application of research outputs through global networks of Open Access repositories,' which also fits with JISC's work to show the benefit to researchers of using repositories"

- JISC, UK

We invite you to join COAR

Joining COAR at the early stage of its development means that you will be able to contribute to shaping the organization's objectives of interoperability, raising awareness and promoting OA repositories, supporting the repository community and working with partners in related fields such as research management and publishing.

COAR offers various forms of participation including single and group memberships as well as the opportunity to become a partner.

COAR Working Groups

With its working groups COAR aims to facilitate its core objectives and to create the best possible value for all COAR members and partners. Currently, COAR's working groups cover the following themes:

- Working Group 1 – Repository Content
- Working Group 2 – Repository Interoperability
- Working Group 3 – Repository and Repository Networks Support & Training

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- Canadian Association of Research Libraries (CARL), CA
- National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), CN
- Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), USA
- Cooperación Latino Americana de Redes Avanzadas (CLARA), S-A
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- Consorcio Madroño, ES
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- My Open Archive, JP
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- Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche (LIBER)
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