Possible roles for libraries to support Open Access books

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Overview

1. **Collection Development**
2. **Publication services**
3. **Development of staff and organisation**

1. Collection Development

A) Open Access books as part of library aquisition
- ➢ Consider Open Access options when acquiring literature
  (e.g. OA options within eBook packages)
- ➢ Participate in Crowdfunding projects to finance OA Books (e.g. Knowledge Unlatched)
- ➢ Contribute to the funding of shared infrastructures for OA books (e.g. DOAB or OAPEN)

B) Open Access Books in Library Catalogues and Discovery Systems
- ➢ Include OA books in your library catalogue or discovery services
- ➢ Require providers to include Open Access content in their services/products (e.g. discovery services, database providers etc.)

2. Publication services

A) Open Access Policy
- ➢ Include the support for Open Access Books in your institutional OA Policy

B) Library Publishing
- ➢ Provide the services needed to publish books from you own authors
  (e.g. through a university press)

C) Distribution via repository
- ➢ Distribute the books of your authrors via a repository (green OA)

D) Institutional Funding for Open Access books
- ➢ Provide library funding to pay for author fees (OA book funds)
- ➢ Manage the publication funds for Open Access books

2. Publication services

E) Author Support and Training
➢ Supporting your authors concerning OA Books, e.g. through:
  – technical advice on how to publish OA books (i.e. formats, metadata)
  – negotiating contracts or copyright issues with publishers

F) Open Access monitoring
➢ Monitor the impact of your Open Access books (e.g. usage, citations etc.)

3. Development of staff and organisation

A) Staff Development
- ➢ Provide opportunities for skills development of your library staff, e.g. on
  - – Scholarly publishing in general
  - – Copyright issues
  - – Open Access Business Models
  - – Metadata and format requirements
  - – Training methods („train the trainer")

B) Organisational Development
- ➢ take an integrated approach to content management and connect library acquisition and publication services
- ➢ Integrate internal workflows from different departments (e.g. publication services, licensing, acquisition, accounting)