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Abstract

The creation of the platform for relevant publications was conceived as an instrument that gathers the most recent and interesting research in the three areas of UNITA alliance, Cultural Heritage, Renewable Energies, Circular Economy. The platform offers the users the possibility to access the publications by title, abstract, key-word or journal to facilitate not only their availability and use by public authorities and civil society but also the transfer and sharing od results between the researchers.

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1. Parties

This online platform is created by the input of the following parties:

1. UNIVERSITÉ DE PAU ET DES PAYS DE L'ADOUR (UPPA), established in AVENUE DE L'UNIVER-

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5. UNIVERSITÉ SAVOIE MONT BLANC (USMB), established in RUE MARCOZ 27, CHAMBERY 73011,

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6. UNIVERSITATEA DE VEST DIN TIMIŞOARA (UVT), established in BD VASILE PÂRVAN

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2. Online platform construction and description

2.1 Methodology

The conception and the implementation required several steps.

1) The first one was a feasibility study, to weigh the different options and compare pros and cons

in order to find the infrastructure that best satisfied our needs.

Between late 2022 and early 2023, we have reviewed 3 different: *HAL*, a French national open archive, *OpenAIRE* and *Zenodo*. We contacted the support center of each infrastructure to have more information on technical aspects (possible software, support team, available storage space) and possible costs and make the better choice for the alliance.

- 2) The second step was dedicated to define together the most suitable criteria to select the articles to add in our platform. The members of the WP6 decided that:
- Different kind of publication can be selected: articles, preprints, book sections and PhD dissertations
- The publications have to be published between 2020 and 2023 (so from the creation of UNITA)
- Only publications that are relevant for the 3 themes of the hubs
- 3) The last step was to select a platform and start to add our articles on it. We selected Zenodo because it's a free platform, and did not require each university to sign any specific agreements. The platform, names *Research for UNITA Scientific publications*, was set up very quickly, and technician of Zenodo were able to respond very quickly to technical questions.

To date, we started to upload some publications on it, and we will continue in order to have all the articles of our universities regarding the area of the 3 hubs. The

uploads are done manually by a designated person from each university. in the future, an automatic upload may be implemented.

2.2 The structure of the online platform

The platform is structured as a community on Zenodo, accessible here:

https://zenodo.org/communities/unita_research/records?q=&l=list&p=1&s=10&sort=newest

Communities are shared areas on Zenodo where projects, institutions, domains, and conferences can curate and manage their research outputs. Communities provides features for managing members, reviewing submissions and curating content in the community.

This choice also ensures us that the scientific results are stored safely, citeables and trackables as every upload is assigned a Digital Object Identifier (DOI). In addition, the upload is very fast and the community on Zenodo allows us to have display standards compliant usage statistics.

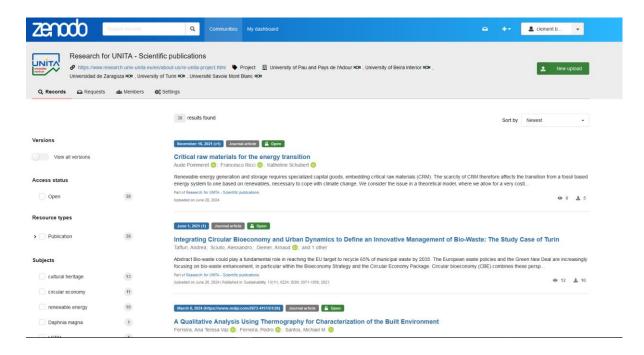


Figure 1 - Zenodo Re-UNITA Community - Screenshot - 28/08/2024

3. Sustainability of the action

3.1 Promoting UNITA R&I hubs results

The starting date of the action is late 2022 and this online platform will be completed all along the project with information related to supplementary members and will be valid and updated till the end of the Re-UNITA project at October 2024. The platform should remain after this date, involving more hubs and more publications to support the promotion of scientific publications.

In 2024, the UNITA Alliance has enlarged its scientific priorities to 3 new thematic. From now on, the UNITA scientific identity is declined into the following 6 areas, covering most of our research expertise:

- Cultural heritage
- Green energies
- Circular economy and environment
- Inclusive societies
- Global health
- Digital transition

UNITA's Ambition is to build out-of-wall research institutes around these themes, building a large and intensive research community, able to tackle challenges and projects in further projects.

As such, we expect UNITA researchers to develop many common research activities, supported by UNITA institutions, and a wide range of fundings.

The platform created in Re-UNITA will be a key opportunity to promote the research results achieved in these 6 R&I Hubs, highlighting the common publications of UNITA researchers, and a unique entry to discover these shared publications.

3.2 Supported by UNITA library's network

In 2021, the UNITA universities build the "UNITA library's network".

The Libraries of UNITA Alliance Members have grouped together since 2021, constituting a network which purpose is to work collaboratively to serve the objectives and actions of the UNITA Alliance, in their profesional field:

- Experience sharing and Librarians upskilling, Librarians mobility
- Digital collections policy and management, in the matter of subscriptions and access to Libraries digital resources for Research and Education activities inside UNITA.
- Pooling of services for UNITA students and staff in virtual or physical mobility.
- Support to UNITA 2 workpackages and actions (mainly WP 2.4, 4.3, 4.4, 5.5), especially in the fields of open science, knowledge sharing, students and staff training concerning open science and information literacy, pooling of services for UNITA community.
- Cooperation and networking with other European Universities Alliances and contribution to the visibility of UNITA, thanks to their active participation in the FOR EU LIB group of European Universities Libraries, and through their individual membership in LIBER (Association of European Research Libraries).

Involved in Re-UNITA project since its beginning, the UNITA library network has supported, by its expertise and mutual knowledge, the creation of the UNITA publications platform.

As such, the UNITA libraries willd be a key player to promote this platform towards the whole UNITA research community, ensuring its updates and its diffusion.