Optimising Resources to develop a strategic approach to OA

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In brief...

“This project will develop shared tools and best practice policies and procedures to enable higher education institutions with limited external funding to effectively and creatively respond to the challenges and opportunities presented by recent Open Access policies.”

The full proposal is available to view here.
Numbers...

**SURE**
- 3,640 records total
- 633 full-text attachments
- £0 13/14 RCUK grant

**NRL**
- 12,839 records total
- 3,218 full-text attachments
- £8,033 13/14 RCUK grant
Challenges...

- **Money:** Limited funding via RCUK block grant based on past success
- **Investment:** Institutional investment required for HEIs with ambition to grow research
- **Collaboration:** Need buy-in from many stakeholders: Library, Research Support, Finance/Planning, VCO, Faculties
- **Awareness:** of OA is relatively low among academic members of staff
What are we going to do?

1. Customisable OA cost models
2. Open Access case studies
3. Best practice policy/procedures
4. Decision-tree and quick reference guides
5. Data on block-grant fund usage
What’s next?

- Assembling project advisory boards
- Identifying case study partners
- Planning first collaborative workshops
Find out more...

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