Academic Staff Perception and Expectations About Open Archives: A Survey of Social Sciences Sector in the Brescia University

Research proposal

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Define a research question and set aims and objectives

The literature review gives a well referenced context to your research project and it could be useful if you would have related the major recent researches in the same field to yours. The statement of the problem of "scholarly communication paradox" is clear, however you do not define the research question. Aims and objectives are focussed on general factors which can have an incentive or disincentive role on using OAI self-archiving but they are not related to the fieldwork of your research (Brescia University, Social sciences faculty).

Plan and design research to meet these aims and objectives

The planning of your research is good however you do not define what you hope it will do to improve the service. Once your research question is clearer, perhaps the focus group could be anticipated to be useful for the design of the questionnaire; probably you should focus the research questions in the questionnaire on local factor.

Justify methodology

You justify your methodology, citing advantages and disadvantages of chosen tools

Write a proposal

Your proposal is very interesting and rich of information. It should be more focussed on your research question.

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