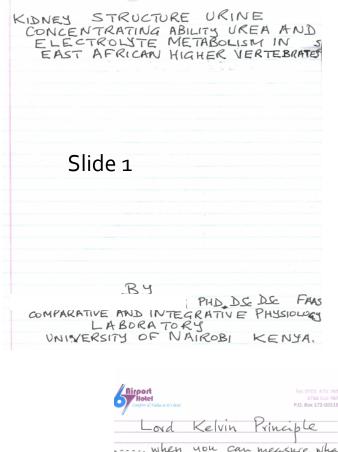
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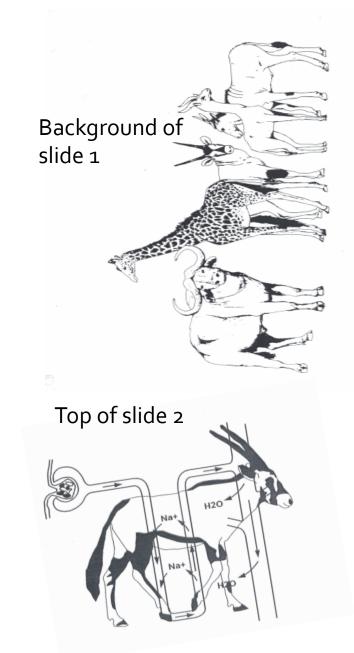
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# Think about the value of your IR..

#### Can you demonstrate?



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#### Knowledge Management and IR – Librarians role

## My experience with IRs in Kenya

- From 2012 Establishment of UoN IR
- System developers Training in Addis-ababa -Atmire
- Establishment of IRs in 20 selected institutions – EIFL
- Several training and sensitizations EIFL,
  KLISC, INASP, ADLSN, AAU (Participant/Facilitator)
- CERN-UNESCO School on Digital Libraries

## The Important IR steps

#### Pre-Implementation

- Content guidelines (what, how, why)
- metadata guidelines
- Implementation
  - Decide platform to use (Dspace, Eprints?)
  - Build IT infrastructure
  - Repository establishment (Install)
  - Launch and Registration
- Post-Implementation (Hardest & longest)
  - Continuous system improvement and maintenance (upgrades, marketing, enhancements, handle, ORCID, OAI-PMH)

Policies, create buy-in

## **Celebrating Quantities**

 According to openDOAR, 29 Kenyan repositories registered, Highest in Eastern Africa second highest in Africa after South Africa

http://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opendoar/

What is the Value?

## **Global Comparison**

 Only 20(out of 50) countries in sub-Saharan Africa produced at least one data record in the Data Citation Index, with South Africa leading the pack with 539 (61.39 %) records followed by Kenya, Cameroon and Ghana. SSA contributes a mere 0.03 % of the world's research data (Onyancha, 2016)

Onyancha, O. B. (2016). Open research data in sub-Saharan Africa: a bibliometric study using the Data Citation Index. http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s12109-016-9463-6

## **Global comparison**

South Africa leads with 63.7% while Kenya comes a distant second with 14.3%, Cameroon accounts for 11.1% and Ghana 2.7%. The countries with the least contribution include Tanzania and Burundi with 0.1% and Zambia and Sudan with 0.2% (Onyancha, 2016).



### Dr Vannevar Bush

**Director U.S. Office of Scientific Research and Development** 

"A record if it is to be useful to Science, it must be extended, it must be stored and above all it must be consulted."

'Bush V. As we may think. Atlantic Monthly July 1945

## The Value of a record

- 1. Is it accessible ?
- 2. Has it been stored/is it visible ?
- 3. Has it been cited ?

# Of what value are our Records?

## **Benefits** – Individual/institution

Can Librarians demonstrate the value of a record in the IR?

Visibility

Impact factor

Citation

•Google Scholar

## **Google scholar and IR test**

- Four top ten Universities in Africa/Kenya webometrics ranking selected (2 from SA and 2 from Kenya)
- Articles selected randomly from their repositories and subjected to test.
  - Accessible: Via google and G.scholar ?
  - Stored: PDF available?
  - Consulted: Citations in google scholar

## Availability Vs Accessibility

Repository	Numbe r of articles selecte d	Number of articles accessible via google	Number of articles accessible via G. scholar	Pdf found?	Number of Articles cited at least ones in G. scholar
University of cape town Repository	20	20	18	15	4
university of the witwatersran d	20	20	16	17	3
University of Nairobi	20	20	14	18	2
Kenyatta University	20	20	10	11	2
Total	80	80	58	61	11

### **Report Card**

- Is it accessible ? Google 100% | G.scholar-72%
- 2. Google Has it been stored ? 76%
- 3. Google scholar Has it been consulted (Citation)? 11%

## **Usage high citations low?**



Title	Institution	Availabilty /citation in google scholar	
The cancer	University of		
burden in Africa	Cape town, SA	South Africa	26
		medical journal	
		samj.org.za	
		UCT repository	0
		open.uct.ac.za	

## **Best practices**

- Re-look in to:
  - Sitemaps
  - Google analytics Google scholar metadata mappings
  - G. Scholar inclusion criteria
- Register ORCID
- Get the handle
- Encourage self-Archving
- Invest workshops, training, enhancements etc
- Involve stakeholders in building repository and Policies

## Challenges

- Handles not acquired
- ORCID
- System Upgrades
- ICT/Librarians wars
- Awareness Policies, Repositories, benefits
- Self Archiving
- Lack of support- Management & departments

• Data collected in EIFL/spider project survey

