



# UNIRI activities in the OPUS project

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### **Strategic objectives**

The Pilot actions span in three **categories**:

- Research;
- Education;
- Valorisation;

#### Cohort

**17 Early Career Researchers (ECRs)** @ Faculty of Law (PRAVRI) aiming to contribute to Open Science efforts in law and social sciences (PhD Candidates and max seven years postdoc).

#### **Duration**

The pilot will run for **18 months** after which information will be used for awareness raising among others and there will be an effort for successful elements to be implemented in regular activities.

#### **UNIRI Mission**

#### We are:

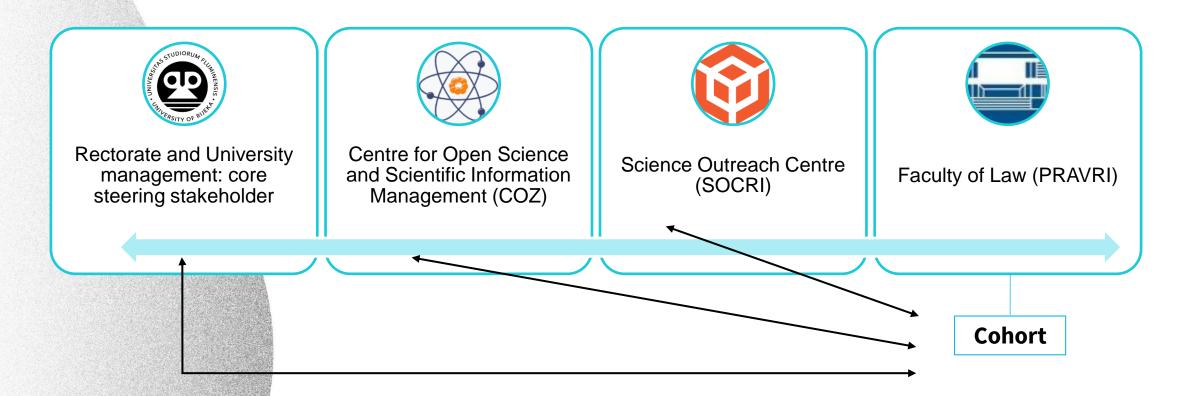
- **teachers** who prepare students for the jobs of the future and civic responsibility;
- **researchers** who open and empower the University by boldly embarking on innovative research ventures and collaborations to develop the economy and improve the well-being of the local community;
- **citizens** who sincerely believe in the European values of freedom, human rights and enlightenment and are building a new European future.







### **UNIRI** units involved



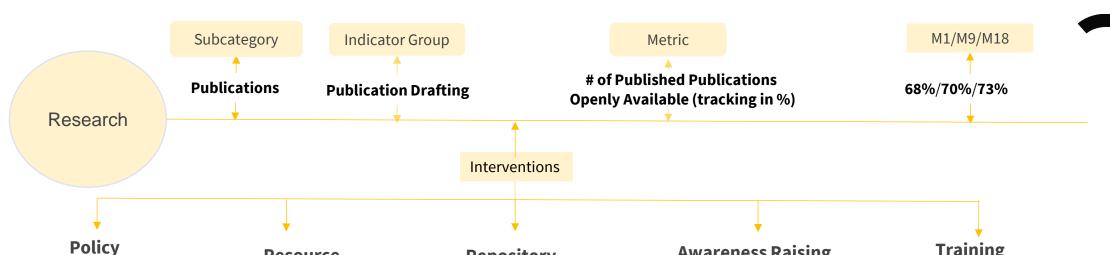




### **UNIRI** Pilot Achievements

### **Completed by M9 (30 September 2024)**

- Approval of Rulebook on Scientific, Artistic and Innovation Activities and Guidelines for the Institutional Criteria for Academic Staff Employment with strong emphasis on OS;
- Staff assigned to strengthen CSSIM in COZ;
- SOCRI established & activities kickstarted;
- Fully developed COZ website;
- Fully developed EduDoc wepage serving as a primary information hub for PhD students and ECRs;
- Organised 3 Open Science cafés;
- First ECRs trained in OA publication skills (5-module programme "Information Tools for Researchers", one full session held);
- Fully developed SOCRI website to support public speaking;
- Created repository for outreach activities.



Senior management decision on the Rulebook on Scientific, Artistic and Innovation Activities and on the Guidelines for the Institutional Criteria for Academic Staff Employment including OS

elements

**Interventions** 

### Resource Interventions

Strengthen
Center for Open
Science and Scientific
Information
Management within
University library
(COZ) as a central
point of reference for
OA and OS;
Assign staff / working
hours to COZ;
Develop COZ Website

### Repository Interventions

Reinforce
institutional policy
obligations
towards publishing
in OA;
Establish
repository (it is
already in place
either nationally or
within the
institution)

# Awareness Raising Interventions

Raising awareness to affirm and promote the UNIRI Open Science Policy and COZ services;

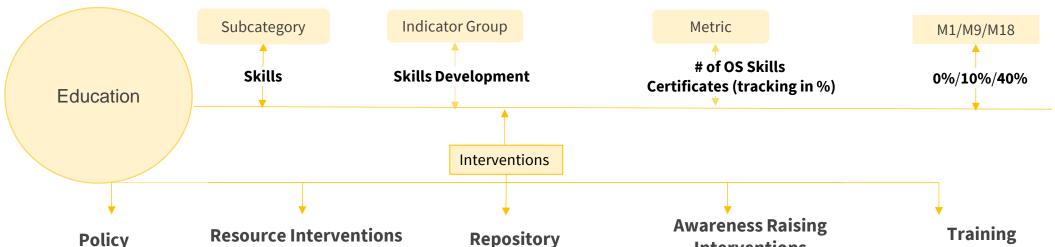
Establish website as communication tool towards researchers at UNIRI;

Organize OS caffes as an awareness raising tool (minimum 3 per year)

# Training Interventions

**Training** of early career researchers in OS skills, including best practice examples





**Senior** 

management adjourns institutional policy

OS

**Interventions** 

**Strengthen** the Center for Open Science and Scientific Information Management within University library (COZ) as a central point of reference for OA and OS; Assign staff /working hours to COZ: Develop COZ Website

### Repository **Interventions**

**Skills** of ECRs at the level where they can autonomously use the available institutional and national repositories

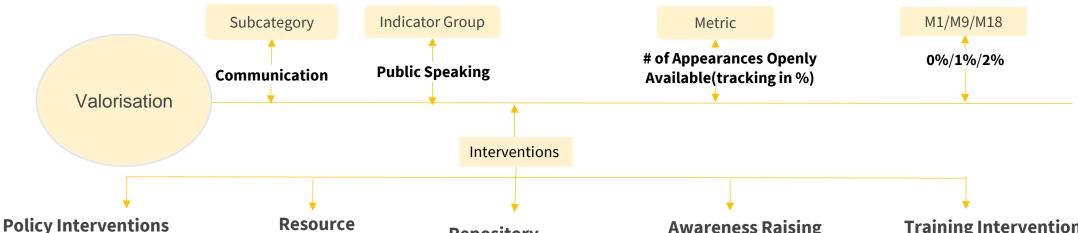
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Raising awareness to affirm and promote the UNIRI Open Science Policy and COZ services; Establish website communication tools towards researchers at UNIRI; Organize OS cafes as an awareness raising tool (minimum 3 per year)

# **Interventions**

**Training** of early career researchers in OS skills, including best practice examples





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#### Resource **Interventions**

**Provide** expertise and supporting in public writing; Establish Centre for Science Outreach (SOCRI) and website (done already); Set up website

### Repository **Interventions**

the **SOCRI** On website, create a digital twin SOCRI as communication tool to function as repository for outreach activities

### **Awareness Raising Interventions**

**An event** for researchers addressing the benefit to individuals and the of recording institution information about public speaking, ensuring that they trust the process and understand the link to researchers' assessment

### **Training Interventions**

**Training course** in outreach activities, ensuring researchers know where to go to receive support in public speaking on scientific topics. This will be used to provide best practice examples and case studies of public speaking that researchers can access and draw upon







### **Interventions** within the Research category:

Intervention Category	Interventions for Publication Drafting	Target M9	Status	Target M18
Policy Interventions	Approval of Rulebook	Achieved	Achieved	n/a
Resource Interventions	Assign staff to strengthen CSSIM in COZ; Fully develop COZ website	Achieved Achieved	Achieved Achieved	n/a
Repository Interventions	Reinforce institutional policy obligations	N	On track	Achieved
Awareness Raising Interventions	Establish COZ website as tool for ECRs; Organise Open Science cafés	Achieved 1*	Achieved On track (3)	n/a 6(3*)
Training Interventions	Train ECRs in OA publication skills	1	On track	3

<sup>\*</sup>Initial UNIRI OPUS AP target M9=1, M18=3 but a high interest in Open Science cafes the M18 target was achieved in M9 resulting in readjustment of M18 target to M18=6





### **Interventions** within the Education category:

Intervention Category	Interventions for Skills Development	Target M9	Status	Target M18
Policy Interventions	Approval of Rulebook	Achieved	Achieved	n/a
Resource Interventions	Assign staff to strengthen CSSIM in COZ; Fully develop COZ website	Achieved	Achieved Achieved	n/a
Repository Interventions	Develop ECRs to use repositories	33%	On track	67%
Awareness Raising Interventions	Establish COZ website as tool for ECRs; Organise Open Science cafés	Achieved 1*	Achieved On track (3)	n/a 6(3*)
Training Interventions	Train ECRs in OA publication skills	1	On track	3

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### **Interventions** within the Valorisation category:

Intervention Category	Interventions for Public Speaking	Target M9	Status	Target M18
Policy Interventions	Approval for Rulebook	Achieved	Achieved	n/a
Resource Interventions	Establishing SOCRI & kickstarting activities	Achieved	Achieved	n/a
Repository Interventions	Create repository to outreach activity data	Achieved	Achieved	n/a
Awareness Raising Interventions	Run sessions for researchers on public speaking	1	Minor issues	2
Training Interventions	Run training courses on outreach	1	On track	2

# Summary of interventions (next steps) for the second implementation period





### To be completed by M18

- Revise UNIRI Open Science Policy;
- Reinforce institutional policy obligations;
- Continue training ECRs in OA publication skills;
- Continue training ECRs to use repositories;
- Continue organising Open Science cafés;
- Run sessions for researchers on public speaking;
- Run training courses on outreach.











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### University Of Rijeka Declaration

#### European Open Science

January 22nd, 2019 The University of Rijkela recognizes the European Union's current challenges concerning list scommitment to promoting research excellence and evidence-based scientific practice. It believes that European science must rest on a unified culture of data stewardship, which recognizes research data as a significant scientific output to be employed for collective well-being and social progress.

The University of Rijeka supports the European Open Science (£OS) initiative, a strategic plan for implementing European unity in research data stewardship. Conscious of its role in overall social development, the University of Rijeka gravitates towards the goal of including all scientific areas and all EU members in a long-term, sustainable open science program.

The University of Rijkela agrees with the view that EOS cannot be implemented in a single event or only emerge as a sporadic activity. Instead, its enactment is a continuous process based on continued efforts to acquire both knowledge and new skills - the implementation of a new model of scientific activity that presupposes reciprocal personal, institutional and national respect, coordination, and cooperation

The University of Rijkek welcomes the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC), inaugurated on 23 November 2018, supports views from the EOSC Summit on 12 June 2017, stated in the EOSC Declaration, and stresses that the EOS/EOSC initiative marks the beginning of a process which, both now and in the future, ought to include all relevant stakeholders in scientific activity - all holders of Scientific processes, scientific institutions, as well as the initiative's signatories and supporters throughout the EU.

The University of Rijeka agrees that European science must be based on a unique culture of managing knowledge, which recognizes scientific data as a critical research outcome, and which should be appropriately curated throughout and after research has been conducted. The University believes that such a significant change in the culture of scientific conduct, with the inclusion of all scientific disciplines, institutions and EU members, will allow for research data to be used in new scientific activities, transfers of Knowledge, innovation, and development.

The University of Rijeka emphasizes the importance of a multidisciplinary approach and believes that all researchers in the EU must have access to an open-by-default,

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- <u>UNIRI Open Science Policy</u> revision and implementation
- HRS4R renewed → Action plan implementation
- <u>CoARA action plan</u> implementation
- CoARA boost OSCAR project to start in partnership with UCY (another OPUS pilot RPO)
- YUFE Staff Development Programme

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