



# Implementing National Policies for Open Access to Scientific Information: the National Perspectives – *the case of Greece*

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# Greece: State of play

## (Part I)

- **General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT)** is the main public-funding organization and national policy maker for Research and Innovation
- **GSRT** has been designated as the **National Point of Reference for Greece** following the relevant EC recommendation - COM(2012) 4890 – 17.7.2012
- A **Working group** has been set up by GSRT, consisting of representatives of the main public stakeholders in GREECE in Open Access and its implementation
  - **ATHENA** RESEARCH CENTER
  - **GRNET**, GREEK RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY NETWORK
  - **HEAL Link**, ACADEMIC LIBRARIES Link
  - **NHRF/EKT** NATIONAL DOCUMENTATION CENTER

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## (Part II)

- Consolidated state-of-play report & proposal for open access implementation at the national level (*in progress*)
  - Preparation of regulatory articles to be included in the Law for Research (revision 2013-2014)
  - Need to avoid fragmented initiatives of interested players and create a national policy for open access
  - Strategic support of sustainable e-infrastructures of national coverage and strong national interest for accessible / open data for all scientific areas (*will be part of the National Strategy for Research Infrastructures, which will further promote a “sharing” culture, Open Access perspectives and e-Science*)
  - Steering Body will be established for:
    - *Coordination of national and European activities related to Open Access*
    - *Facilitation of knowledge transfer among stakeholders*
    - *Consolidation of investment plans in e-infrastructures in relation to broader Digital Agenda initiatives*
    - *Monitoring and coordination of e-infrastructures for e-Science*
- In parallel, guidelines will be formulated for coordination of repository building activities towards the implementation of open access policies / institutional repositories / self-archiving

# Coordination of national initiatives

*GSRT supports all the national initiatives of the Open Access movement and actively promotes the coordination of all initiatives*

- Three intervention levels
  - National level - Institutional framework
  - The State's players
  - Measures for publicly-funded scientific research actions

# Measures for publicly-funded scientific research programmes

- Provisions from GSRT for the next research programmes such as:

*“All research bodies (Centers and UNIV) to deposit the published work in repositories”*

with obligation in implementation the guidance of the programmes → to be included in the revision of the Law for Research



# Action Plan

- GSRT completes an action plan, which includes:
  - Harmonization, implementation and reporting of measures listed in the recommendations of the EU Paper
    - *Establishment of a monitoring and coordination mechanism, in relation to e-infrastructures*
  - Consolidation of the views of stakeholders through the distribution of distinct roles and responsibilities – *Steering Body for the implementation of open access policies*
  - A roadmap of measures for the support of a consistent framework for access to and the preservation of scientific information, as an output of publicly-funded research in Greece
  - Formulation of the regulatory framework for open access implementation, related to public-funded research (*draft regulation to be open for consultation at the end 2013*)



**Thank You!**

