OpenDOAR Maps Announcement

SHERPA is pleased to announce the addition of a Google Maps extension to OpenDOAR, its directory of open access repositories (http://www.opendoar.org/find). Just run any search of the directory, and then change the output format from “Summaries” to “Google Map”.

Here are a few examples:

1. http://www.opendoar.org/find?format=gmap&cID=jp  
   - Repositories in Japan
   - Repositories with Spanish language material
   - United States repositories holding theses & dissertations
   - Keyword search for ‘Nottingham’
5. http://www.opendoar.org/find?format=gmap&rSoftWareName=CONTENTdm  
   - Repositories using CONTENTdm software

If you click on one of the place markers, a bubble will pop up listing the repositories at that location with links to the repositories themselves and their institutions' home pages. For performance reasons, the amount of information in the bubbles is limited, but bearing this in mind, we would be like to know what data you would like to see there.

In adding the geographical coordinates, we have generally tried to pin repositories down to the street addresses of their institutions. However, in some cases we have only been able determine general coordinates for the home city. We would therefore be grateful if repository administrators could check the coordinates for their repositories - visible in the "Full records" layout. If necessary, please send us changes via the usual "Suggest an update" form.

This development was inspired by Stuart Lewis's Repository66 application (http://www.repository66.org), which mashes up OpenDOAR and ROAR data.

We encourage you to explore the new facility. All feedback will be gratefully received.

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