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About Pin Pin

- *Singapore Management University Libraries*

- Head of Scholarly Communication, 2013 Mar -

  - Oversee institutional repository, oral history, and SMU research publications module in IRIS

  - Provide research impact metrics for faculty, influencing and championing the metrics used

- Head of Information Services, 2010 Mar – 2013 Mar

- Research Librarian, Social Sciences, 2007 Jul – 2010 Feb

About SMU Institutional Repository

- Planned for institutional repository (IR) since 2009

- Objectives of IR

  - To create visibility and raise profile of SMU research (to showcase)

  - To provide access to the full text where possible (to promote open access)

  - To provide organization of the records

- Launched IR in January 2011 using Digital Commons platform

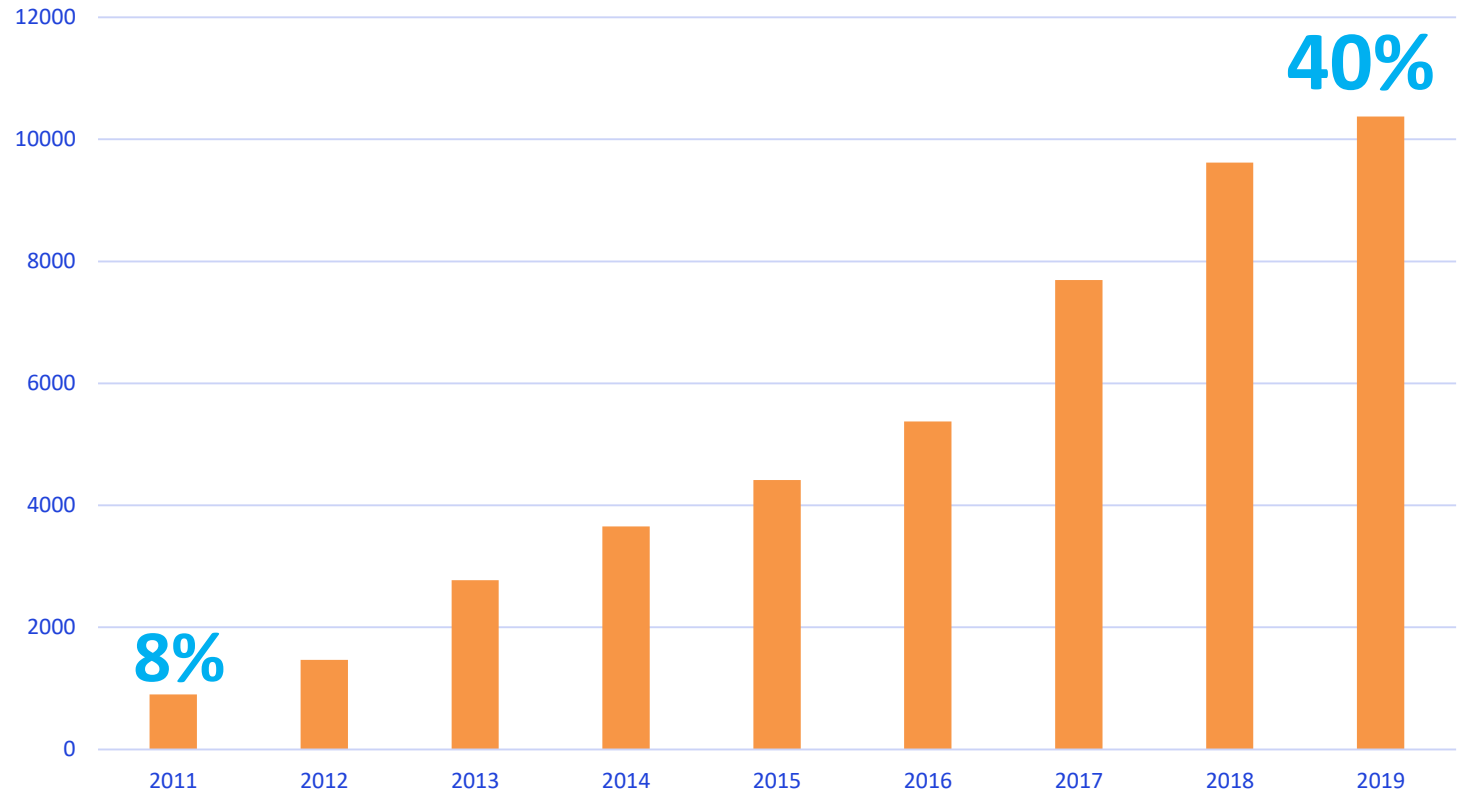- Wanted to be an "inside-out library"[1] that showcases and supports discoverability of SMU publications

Dempsey, L., 2016. Library collections in the life of the user: two directions. *LIBER Quarterly*, 26(4), pp.338–359.
DOI: http://doi.org/10.18352/lq.10170

Policy and Workflow

- SMU Open Access Policy approved in Oct 2013

- Always pulled records from the SMU current research information system (intranet)

  - Legacy system was custom built in-house prior to 2016

  - Moved to commercial platform Converis, called IRIS in 2016

- Encourage faculty to upload the full text of their papers in IRIS

- Library takes care of the rest to make it available in the IR, called Institutional Knowledge (InK) which makes the papers publicly available
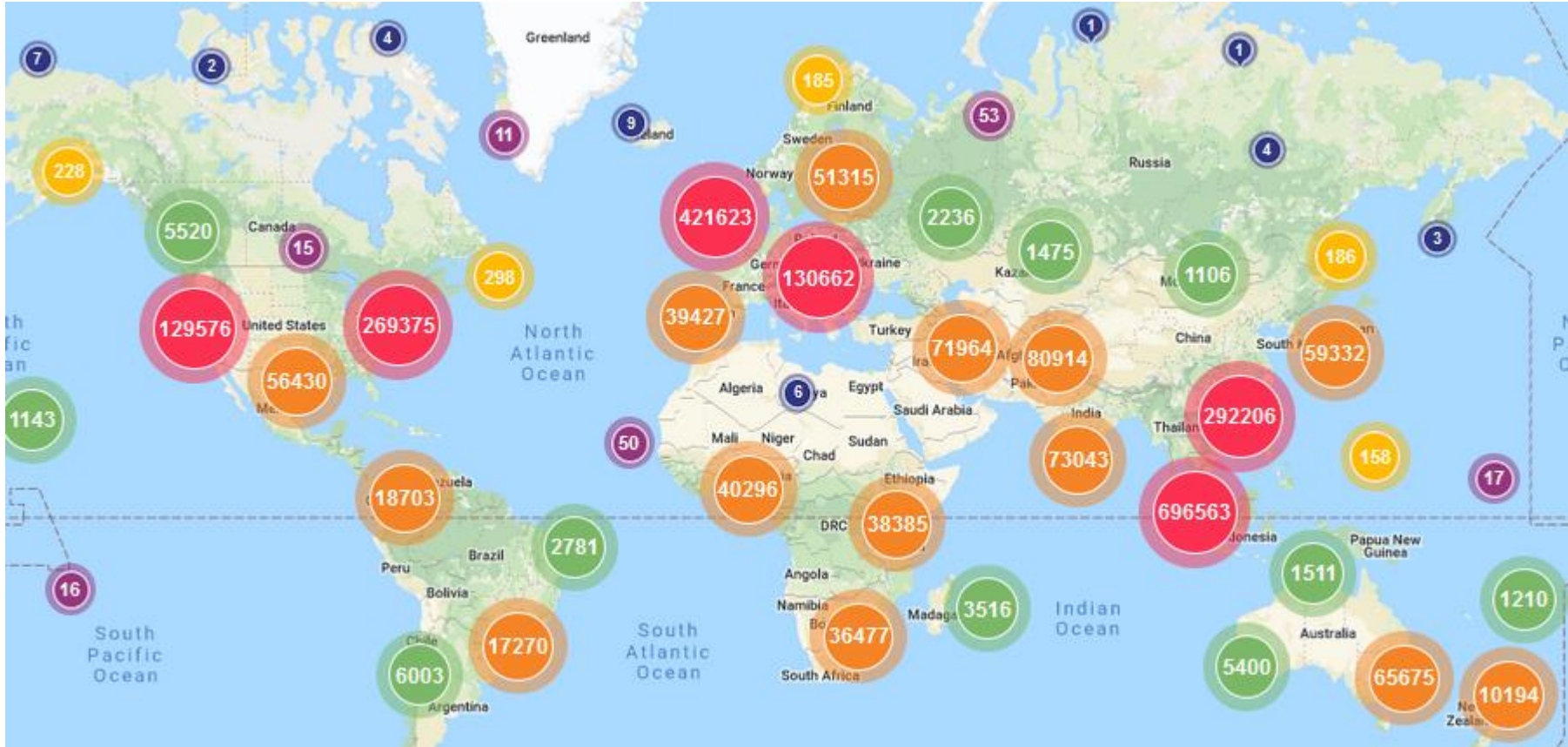
Large Image with Supporting Text

Number of Items with Full Text

Downloads from InK

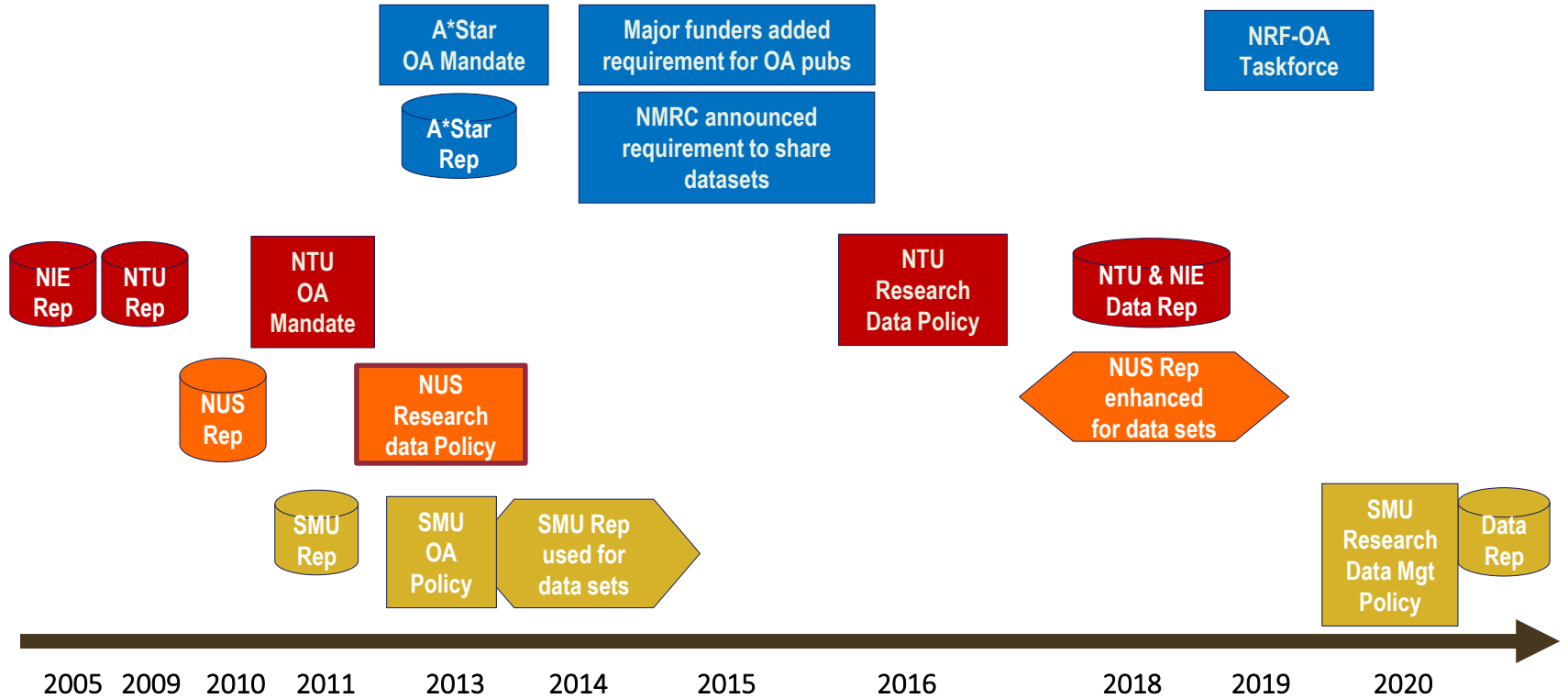3.35 m cumulative downloads 2011-2019 from 10,000 full text

Outreach

- Promote InK during faculty orientations

- Promote green open access (post-print / pre-print versions)

- Research librarians follow up with individual faculty to encourage full text deposits

- Work with Provost, Vice Provost, Deans, Associate Deans to promote and garner wider support

- Organise events

Research Data in SMU

- SMU signed the [Joint Statement on Research Integrity for Scholarly Publications](#) in Oct 2018 (first signed in 2010)

- Library participated in the drafting of Research Data Management policy with Office of Research & Tech Transfer (ORTT)

- Consulted stakeholders, including faculty

- Amended policy after feedback from stakeholders

- Policy to take effect Jan 2020

- Implement data repository to support retention of research data

- Plan to launch data repository in Q1 2020

Open Access Landscape in Singapore

Links to open content in Singapore Universities

- NIE: IR https://repository.nie.edu.sg/ & DR https://researchdata.nie.edu.sg/

- NTU: https://dr.ntu.edu.sg/ & DR https://researchdata.ntu.edu.sg/

- NUS: https://scholarbank.nus.edu.sg/

- SMU: https://ink.library.smu.edu.sg/