

Potential and Visions – local approach to e-theses across Poland

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Abstract

A general summary concerning the acquisition, storage and accessing policies of printed version of theses in Polish libraries from the point of view of copyright law, is presented as the introduction to a wider description of e-theses life cycle in Polish universities and libraries. The e-theses are mainly organized into collections of Polish institutional or regional digital libraries but some exceptions to this rule are also discussed on the poster in detail. The study gathers and presents diverse practices and data from Polish libraries, for example: e-theses workflow, distribution of e-theses number, formats, subject distribution, access model and others.

The potential and visions regarding the future growth of electronic databases containing theses and dissertations are presented, especially for Digital Library of the Technical University of Lodz. Visions will also contain some remarks for present and future strategies needed for continuous development of the local e-theses initiatives and integrating them into local services in Poland.