OPEN ACCESS: REFLECTIONS ON THE ZULC & BUSE EXPERIENCES

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INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE OPEN ACCESS

• Adoption and promotion of open access resources through partnerships with INASP and EIFL.
• Establishment of an Open Access Coordinator within the Consortium.
• Establishment of IR (some of which were launched with good publicity, e.g. WUA)
• Signing OA declarations e.g. BUSE signed and a ceremony involving university executive was held.
• Commemoration of Open Access Week.
• Recognising Open Access contributor – e.g. BUSE case, i.e. library ambassadors and rewarding top contributors to the institutional repository.
• Workshops, Seminars, etc on open access e.g. ZULC, CUT, HIT, WUA, GSU, BUSE, LSU have held these.
CHALLENGES

• Passion, Perceptions and misconceptions.
• Infrastructure.
• Expertise (e.g. the BUSE journals)
• Policy framework.
MOVING FORWARD

• Awareness, advocacy, training.
• Reward systems.
• Infrastructure development.
• Policy development.
THANK YOU