Approaches to library publishing services in Latin America



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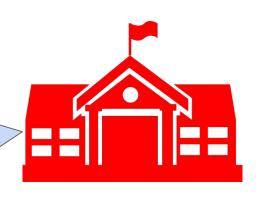
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Play a key role in the processes of scientific communication in our countries



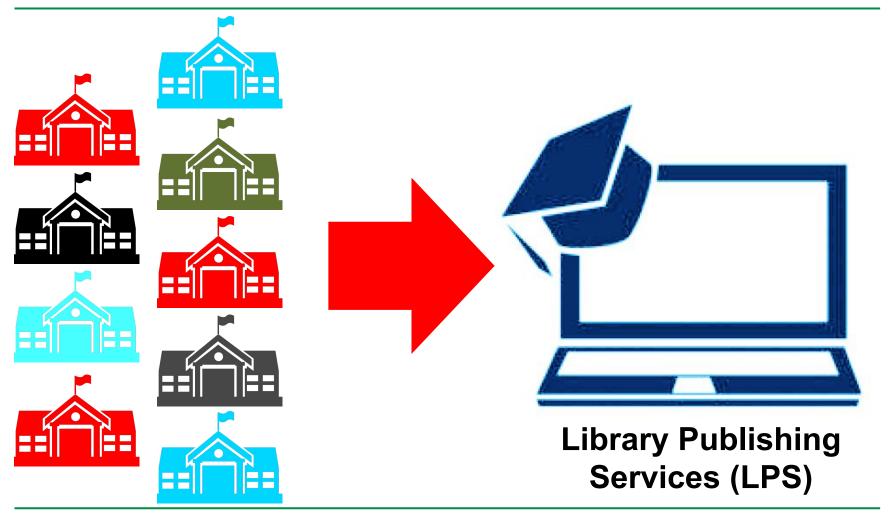
Main scientific producer

Universities

Most important scientific editor in the region



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In Brazil, initial discussions are being held on the subject, exploring specifically the role of librarians in the process of scholarly publishing.





Among the main aspects that characterize these services in Latin America, we found that:

- The services are provided at the main leading universities of the region;
- Occasionally these services are being offered outside the environment of university libraries;
- Often these services are linked to instances of institutional research;





- These services are part of institutional programs to promote scientific production;
- Have names linked to the promotion of scientific production;
- Seek to broaden the visibility of the scientific production of their institutions;





- They still does not adopt the LPS name but apply their principles;
- These services provide support services (technical assistance), training and consultancy (implementation of editorial strategies);
- They are based on the open access philosophy;
- They are always managed with teams led by professional librarians.



The most common services offered:

- Management of institutional repositories.
- Management of portals of scientific journals.





• The LPS work with scientific journals, the main vehicle of communication of scientific information in the region.





• 60% of scientific journals in Latin America are published by universities.





• Until 2014 in Brazil there were only **125 portals of scientific journals**, this represents approximately **1600 journal titles**.





 Latin America has the highest concentration of users, at international level (34%), of Open Journal Systems.





 The portal of scientific journals is the most common referent of LPS in the region.







Journals Portal of University of São Paulo (Brazil)





Journals Portal of University of Chile (Chile)



4 Comments

 The LPS are an excellent choice for the development and promotion of scientific communication through digital environments in Latin American universities.







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 In addition, the implementation of these services represents a new opportunity for innovation and professional advancement of librarians in this region.







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