

AGRIS in Republic of Moldova: challenges and solutions

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Situation / Background

- 2004 - The Republican Scientific Agricultural Library (RSAL) of the State Agrarian University of Moldova fulfils the function of the National AGRIS Center in the Republic of Moldova.
- Up to the present 4425 bibliographic records from Moldova have been included in the AGRIS database.
- 756 of them contain links to full-text.

Problems and challenges

- WebAgris, AGRIMetaMaker are no longer supported by AGRIS team.
- As a result, in the last two years RSAL has not submitted metadata records to AGRIS.
- Before now RSAL's contribution to AGRIS database has been modest: its input has not exceeded 150-200 bibliographic records per year.
- The quality of bibliographic information needs to be further improved.

Existing possibilities for Moldova to contribute to AGRIS

- The Institutional Repository in Agricultural Sciences of the State Agrarian University of Moldova.
- Bibliographic data exported from RSAL library catalogue.
- Agrarian University journal and a number of other scientific journals relevant to the AGRIS subject scope may be AGRIS data providers.

Intended measures

- Implementing an appropriate tool for exporting data from library catalogue and from the institutional repository in one of the formats accepted by AGRIS.
- Carrying out an awareness campaign among journal editorial offices and members of agricultural research institutes to motivate them to make available their research results through AGRIS database.
- Because the agricultural publications do not all meet the requirements of AGRIS database RSAL will organize training course “How to write a scientific article”.

Intended measures

- To include the AGRIS objectives in the university strategy as a contribution to increase the visibility of scientific research.
- To develop the collaboration with National Book chamber of Moldova (exhaustive acquisition of the national publications flow).
- To increase our participation in AGRIS.

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