

MY THESIS IS IN OPEN ACCESS, WHAT ABOUT YOURS?

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A screenshot of the doiSerbiaPhD national portal.

OBJECTIVES

- To fill existing University open access (OA) repositories with PhD theses
- To promote OA among young researchers
- To include Serbian theses in European and worldwide harvesters
- To disseminate Serbian theses to much larger audience

ACHIEVEMENTS

- A national OA portal of PhD theses and dissertations was launched and includes 1,013 OA PhD theses easily citable and searchable (with DOIs)
- Serbian theses are searchable on DART Europe, OpenDOAR and OATD
- Social network thumbnails have been added to each thesis so the altmetrics can be tracked - that cover not just citation counts, but also other aspects of the impact of a work, such as theses views, downloads, or mentions in social media and news media
- A new Law on Amendments and Additions to the Law on Higher Education was adopted on September, 10th 2014 that requires making PhD theses available. The Ministry of Education and Science is responsible for a national OA theses repository

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