

# OPEN ACCESS AT BRAZIL:

## Actions & Policies

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# Open Access Initiatives at Brazil

- SciELO
- IBICT – Brazilian Institute of Information on Science and Technology

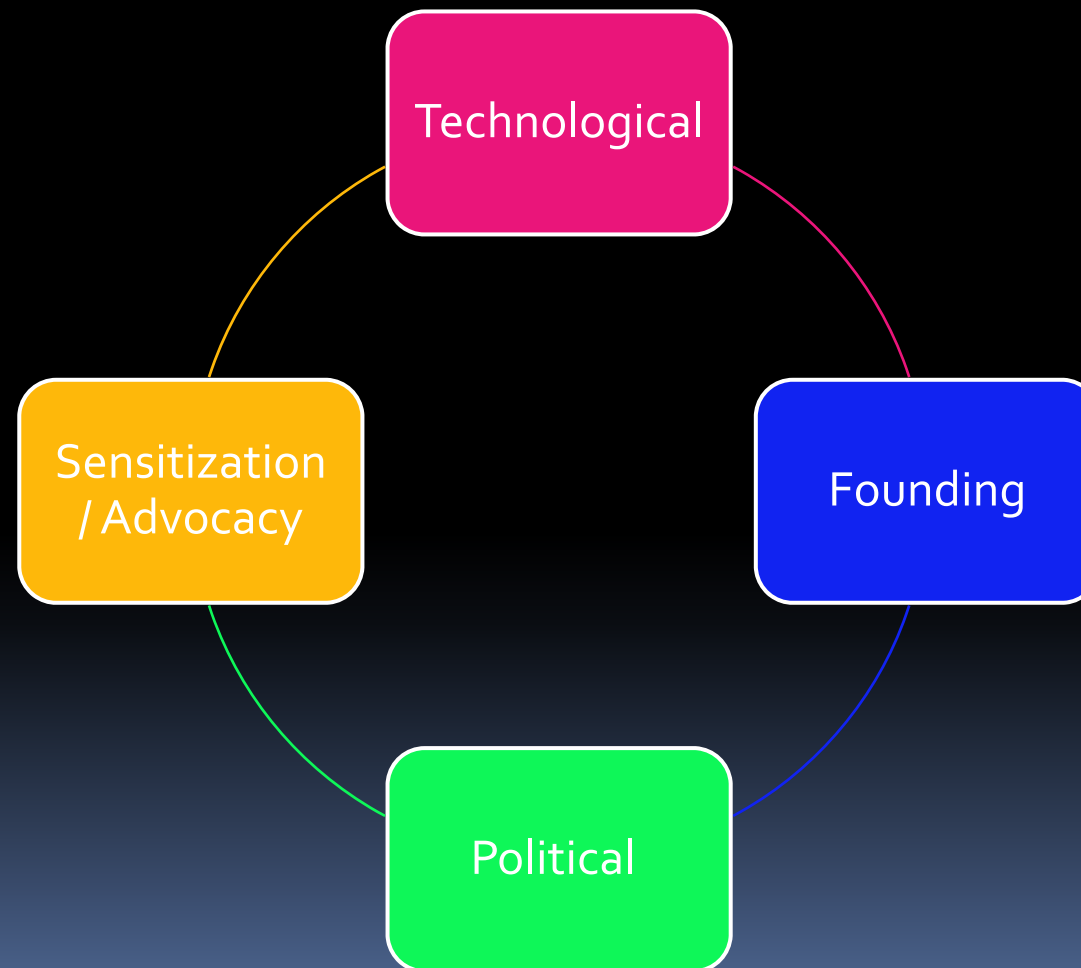
# SciELO - Scientific Electronic Library Online

- Scientific Journal`s Directory de revistas científicas
- Developed in 1995
- Centralized Model
- About 200 titles of journals at Brazil
- About 500 titles of journals in all SciELO installations (Brasil, Argentina, Chile, Colômbia, Cuba , Espanha, Portugal e Venezuela)
- Scientific Committee
- Focus on journal`s quality compliant its own criteria
- The system provide usage indicators to follow the criteria`s quality of the journals hosted at SciELO;

# IBICT – Brazilian Institute of Information on Science and Technology

- Founded at 1954 as Brazilian Institute of Bibliography and Documentation (IBBD) ;
- Supported by UNESCO, and at the beginning subordinated to National Council of Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)
- In 1975, the IBBD is transformed to IBICT to amplify its roles as to propose and execute scientific and technological policies;
- In 2002, the IBICT and other research units were transferred to the Ministry of Science and Technology (MCT)
- So, IBICT is one of 22 research units from MCT;
- So, IBICT plays two roles: 1) research in information science; and 2) information products and service provider.

# IBICT`s Initiatives



# Sensitization/Advocacy Level

- 2005 – Set up the Brazilian Manifesto Supporting the Open Access Movement
- Organisation and attending scientific events
  - Workshops in the Annual Meeting of Brazilian Society for the Science's Progress (SBPC)
  - Attending and doing lecture at the bi-annual Universities Libraries National Seminars
  - Meetings with many governmental institutions like: CNPq, Capes, Brazilian Council of Universities Rectors (CRUB) Fapesp, Universities and researchers associations)
  - Workshop on Open Access at the Research Units (12/12/2008)
    - Letter of Rio de Janeiro
- Organisation and publication of special numbers of journals dedicated to open access:
  - Revista Ciência da Informação
  - Encontros Bibli
  - LIINC em Revista

# Political level

- PL 1120/2007
  - Torna obrigatório que todas as universidades públicas e institutos de pesquisa tenham o seu repositório institucional;
  - Torna obrigatório aos pesquisadores depositarem os seus trabalhos publicados em revistas científicas
  - Determina a criação de uma comissão de alto nível para a discussão e estabelecimento de Política Nacional de Acesso Livre à Informação Científica
- Estágio atual:
  - Aprovado pela Comissão de Ciência, Tecnologia, Comunicação e Informática (aprovado)
  - Encaminhado à Comissão de Educação e Cultura;

# Technological level

- Getting know how of Open Archives Initiatives standards
- Prospection, internalization and customization of software Open Archives Initiative standards compliant (*Open Journal System, Open Conference System, Eprint, Dspace*)
- Transferring software for:
  - To promote the building of institutional repositories (Eprint e Dspace);
  - To promote the building open access electronic journals (OJS)
- Training people to use and develop tools open archives initiatives standards compliant
- *Developing manuals with methodology to build institutional repositories*



# Founding Level

- Distribution of technological kits to public universities and research institutions
- Technological Kits
  - Server
  - Software installeds (OJS, Eprint e Dspace)
- Building incubators of:
  - Electronic Journals (INSEER)
  - Repositories (developing)

# Results

- Brazilian Digital Library of Thesis and Dissertations, integrating 78 universities, with more than 79 thousands of theses and dissertations;
- More than 600 journals using Open Journal System
- Many universities are building their institutional repositories;

# Open Access in Latinamerican & Caribbean countries

- SciELO
- Redalyc
- Stand alone initiatives

# Conclusion

- Open access at Brazil is irreversible, in spite of the resistance of some dirigents;
- The fact of IBICT being a governmental and national institutions has contributed to reach the results presented;
- The set of actions presented conform a national policy of open access to scientific production
- This actions has helped IBICT to recovery its institutional identity
- This set of actions conform a model that could be adopted by the developing countries;

Than you !!!

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