ALT Open Access Repository FAQ

This document contains information regarding the usage of the repository. If you cannot find the information you are looking for please contact repository@alt.ac.uk.

1. What is the ALT Open Access Repository?

The ALT Open Access Repository was developed as part of the JISC funded wALTer project in conjunction with the establishment of the Online Learning Knowledge Garden by project partners Cranfield University. For more information about wALTer see http://www.jisc.ac.uk/whatwedo/programmes/reppres/sue/walter.aspx

2. What kind of items can be deposited in the repository?

The repository supports a large variety of file formats including text, audio and video, presentation and workshop files. The repository currently contains mostly articles but will be enhanced to contain audio and video files of event and workshop sessions as well as other materials.

3. Who can use the repository?

Items deposited in the repository can be accessed by anyone. You can search for items or browse the content by year, subject or subject division. You can also register as a user of the repository which will allow you to deposit items into it subject to them being reviewed by an editor or administrator.

4. How can I register as a user?

To register as a user go the repository homepage and click on 'Create Account' or go to <u>http://repository.alt.ac.uk/cgi/register</u>. As a registered user you will be able to manage your items, up to the point of submitting them for Editorial Review. If the review is successful your item will be deposited in the repository, if it is unsuccessful it will be returned to you with editorial comments.

In addition to managing your items a registered user can set up alert options, so that email notifications are sent when new items are placed in the repository.

5. How can I keep up to date with the repository?

If you would like to find out when new items are deposited into the ALT Open Access Repository, you can subscribe to the RSS feed from the repository homepage <u>http://repository.alt.ac.uk</u>.