And so we come to the final issue of our first year of *Insights*. It has been a really busy year, with lots of significant developments in the knowledge community, and we hope you will agree that we have published some stimulating and informative articles. Our November issue proves no less interesting, with articles from Martin Hall and Steven Hall respectively (no relation!) following up the recent Finch Report into UK open access publishing. Open access is a broad theme running through a number of our features in this issue, beginning with our ‘People in the News’ feature which introduces Ghanaian librarian Helena Asamoah-Hassan, the winner of this year’s BioMed Central OA Advocate of the Year award. Graham Stone and Paul Needham write about IRUS-UK, the new usage statistics service for repository content which aims to increase the cost-effectiveness of OA repositories. Linnéa Stenson looks at why the community needs DOAJ and DOAB, and Kevin Smith presents a case study of how one US academic institution has embedded OA into its research processes. Dan Scott argues for greater access to research outputs through a case study of one open publishing initiative.

Another theme that develops in the articles is that of facilitating and increasing access to resources. Soledad Bravo adds to the global view by presenting an overview of the situation in Chile, while Mark Williams looks at the issues and pitfalls of authentication for mobile devices.

Long-term access to our resources is also picked up as a theme. Mark Sandler looks at strategies for collaborative print storage, while our ‘Profile’ this time spotlights Kate Wittenberg, who heads up Portico, the online resource archiving solution.
Of course, aside from these broad themes, we retain our regular features and a broad mix of scholarly articles on topics of interest to the community. Steve Pettifer looks at the problems of reuniting data and narrative in scientific articles. Felix Schüle provides us with an overview of the CARPET Project, and Jane Harvell and Bernie Folan expound the virtues and benefits of institution/publisher partnerships. Liz Wager has also provided a very informative and stimulating article on the thorny issue of publishing ethics.

And finally, Grace Baynes takes a brief look in her ‘Key Issue’ at the bewildering range of metrics available to us all nowadays.

Steve & Lorraine

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