

AgEcon Search: New developments

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Background

- Working papers, conference papers, small press journals
- Agricultural, applied, consumer, energy, environmental, and resource economics
- Over 10 years old
- All full text



Aspects of AgEcon Search

- Keeping up the database
- AgNIC
- E-mail alerts
- (Serve as a prototype)



What's new

- New journals
 - Competing with publishers
- SPARC partner
- Move to DSPACE



Software migration

- Many positives
 - Closer ties with University Digital Conservancy
 - Preservation
 - Google can find papers
 - Broad categories
 - RSS feeds
 - PURLS



Challenges

- Shoehorning
- Submission form
- Behind schedule – “free” software

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AgEcon SEARCH

RESEARCH IN AGRICULTURAL & APPLIED ECONOMICS

Lessons

- Usability can be easy
- PR should be taught in library school
- Professional meetings in your subject areas
 - Exhibit
 - Committees
 - Informal instruction



On the horizon

- Add communication tools
 - Ethicshare as a prototype
- Learn more about users
- Grow internationally
- More statistics
- Sister projects



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