SciELO Brazil
Professionalization and Internationalization and the contribution of ScholarOne

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ABOUT SciELO

- **SciELO** – **Scientific Electronic Library Online** -- is an international cooperation program for the advancement of research communication
- **Main objective** – contribute to advance research and its communication
- **Specific objectives**
  - to maximize the availability, visibility, use, impact and credibility of independently edited journals and the research they communicate
  - to improve the quality of the journals
  - to complement international bibliographic – bibliometric indexes
- **SciELO Program** is led by the Sao Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)
- **SciELO** pioneered Open Access journal collection publishing
SciELO NETWORK - EVOLUTION

- 19 years of regular operation
- ~1 000 journals
- 600 000 articles
- 15 national collections – Latin America, Spain, Portugal, South Africa
SciELO PORTAL
www.scielo.org

- SciELO Network governance & funding
  - decentralized
  - research agencies - ministries
  - development – scientific committee
  - common methodology
  - SciELO Brazil – coordination and executive secretariat of the network
SciELO - INTEROPERABILITY
SciELO MILESTONES

Pilot Project
(10 invited journals)
1997

1998
Official launch;
Chile joins and SciELO
Network begins

Priority lines of action
Professionalization,
Internationalization,
Financial Sustainability
2013

2014
New Criteria

Preprints,
Author editing
2018
SciELO BRAZIL – EVOLUTION OF ENGLISH ARTICLES

Annual evolution of the proportion of articles in English in SciELO Brazil.

SciELO, 2017
SciELO BRAZIL TEAM
SciELO BRAZIL PRIORITY LINES OF ACTION

- **Professionalization** – to produce state of the art journals
- **Internationalization** – insertion in the global flow of scientific information
- **Sustainability** – mix of funding resources and low production costs
SciELO BRAZIL – SCHOLARONE ADOPTION EVOLUTION

Number of journals

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SCHOLARONE FOR SciELO – SETUP

• When dealing with many journals, standard is key!

• Less workflow options
  • Only 3 workflows are offered
  • SciELO recommends the option less likely to require changes in the future

• Customized/Summarized “Configuration Requirement Documents” (CRD)
  • Default configuration questions were removed (less work for editors = more standard sites)
  • SciELO recommends settings and task due dates based on the SciELO Criteria*

SCHOLARONE FOR SciELO – TRAINING

• All journals go through full Admin training

• Heavily based on ScholarOne University (same materials), with few adjustments to meet our needs

• 2 full days length

• 6-7 editorial teams per class, sometimes more

• SciELO may also provide on-site trainings at the journal’s headquarters

• Trainings are offered free of charge
SCHOLARONE FOR SciELO – TRAINING

SCHOLARONE FOR SciELO – ON-SITE TRAINING

Photos: SciELO (2016)
SUPPORT

• SciELO provides all support to journals

• SciELO routes all Customer Care Cases and later forward solutions to its journals

• Meetings and one-on-one trainings upon request

• Support channels: e-mail, telephone, chat, in-person, anything
BUT THEN...

How can we make sure that all this knowledge remains fresh and updated?

How can we be sure that everyone is following the best practices 2 years after they have been trained?

How to keep new members of the editorial team on the loop of things?

Most importantly: how to leverage the knowledge across all journals?
ANNUAL EDITOR CONFERENCE

- SciELO holds annual conferences with the SciELO journals that use ScholarOne

- A full day event aimed to update the ScholarOne knowledge across journals and bring them all to the same level
ANNUAL EDITOR CONFERENCE

- Heavily inspired by ScholarOne User Conference, it is an opportunity to show the latest software updates, best practices and a first look of what’s to come

- Given that most (if not all) journals cannot afford attending ScholarOne User Conference, it is SciELO’s way of making its journals up-to-date
ANNUAL EDITOR CONFERENCE – GUESTS

- 2015: Lilian Pessoa, from ORCID
- 2016: Norma Roberts, from ScholarOne – Cognos Workshop teaching how to build customized reports specifically for SciELO’s needs

ANNUAL EDITOR CONFERENCE – EFFICIENCY

• 74% of average journal attendance in the 2015 and 2016 editions

• From a publisher’s perspective, the first two conferences have proved to be very positive and effective – when journals follow best practices, less support is needed

• Conversation can then move forward to the next level

• All presentations are later made available online for review and for those who couldn’t be present

• When asked whether they would participate in a 3rd edition, 99% of attendants replied positively

• 2017 edition in the works
WEBINARS

- SciELO holds webinars when a new ScholarOne version is released
- Detailed explanation of new functionalities and changes
- Webinars are recorded and made available on YouTube
SciELO IN PERSPECTIVE BLOG

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A Covers topics related to scientific communication:
- indexing of journals;
- Bibliometrics;
- Scientometrics;
- management of journals and their editorial processes;
- public policies on research and scholarly communication
- open access
- etc..
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