REF Preparations at LSE Library

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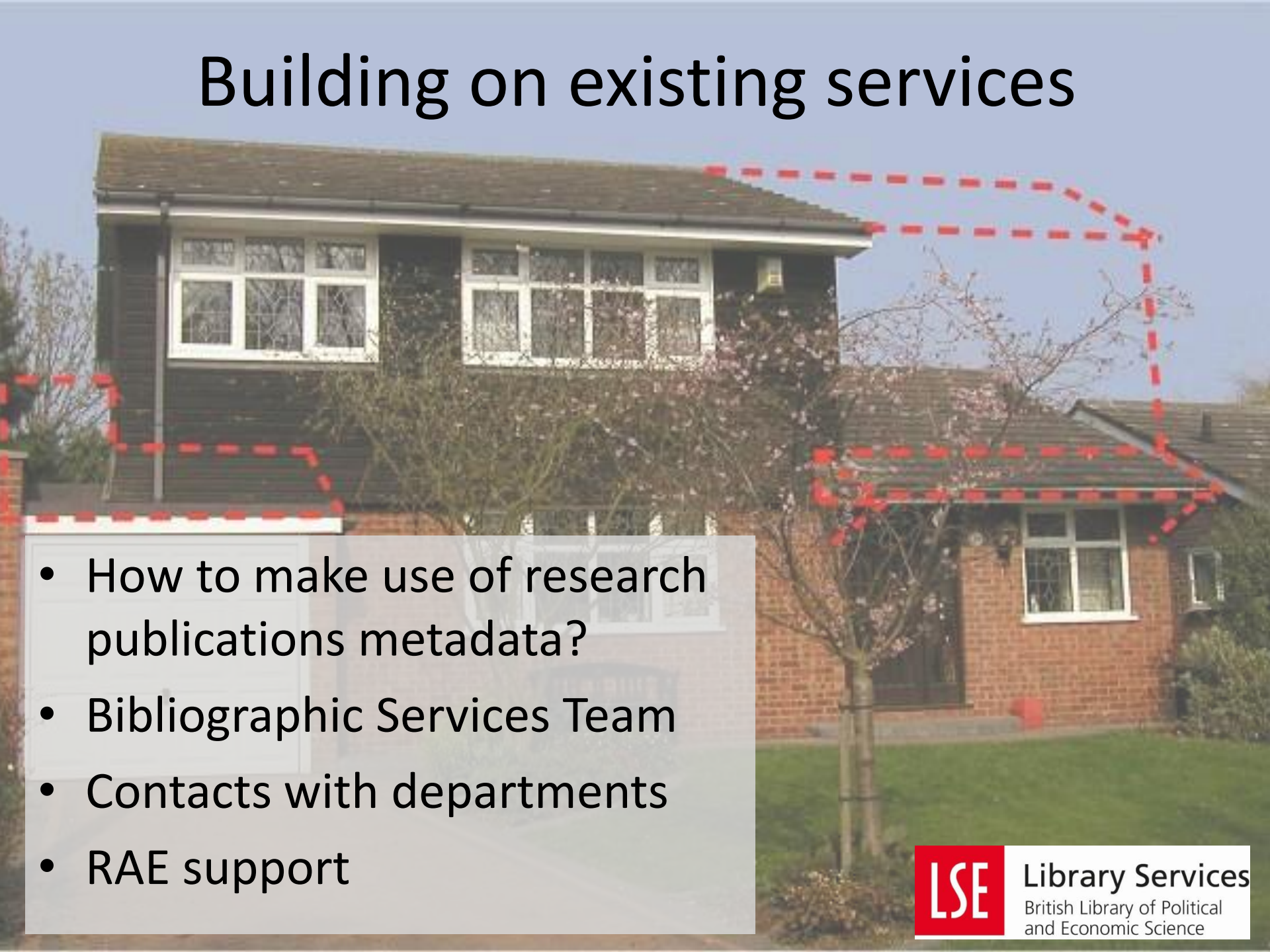
LSE Research Online - background

- 34,000 records/7000 full-text items
- Metadata entry – Bibliographic Services
- Internally hosted EPrints
- Publications feeds on LSE Experts profiles
- Version 3.3.10

Before the EPrints REF2014 Plugin

- Needed a tool to import publication data to HEFCE for REF
- No CRIS
- Mini-REF – Jan 2011 & Jun 2012
- Running reports directly from the database

Building on existing services



- How to make use of research publications metadata?
- Bibliographic Services Team
- Contacts with departments
- RAE support

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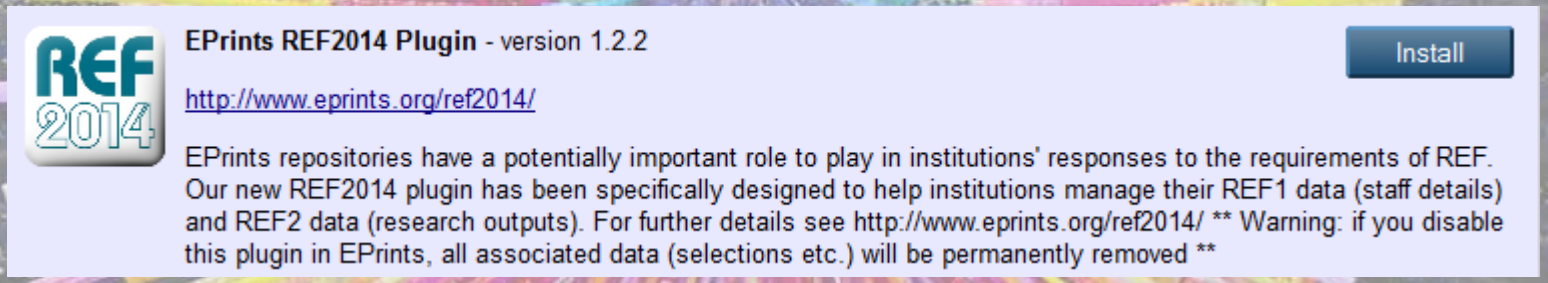
Then everything changed…

- We can make use of EPrints metadata
- No need to build in-house system



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What we did over the summer…

- June 2012 mini-REF call out
- REF master listing all staff selections
- DOIs, DOIs, DOIs!
- Meetings with departments
- Close links with Research Division
- Waited for REF 2014 plugin v.1.2…

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Where are we now?

- Updated to v1.2
- Added REF1 (staff details) and REF2 (selections) data to the plugin
- Tidying up metadata using plugin reports
- Successful test imports to HEFCE system

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REF2014 plugin: dummy data!

Run reports

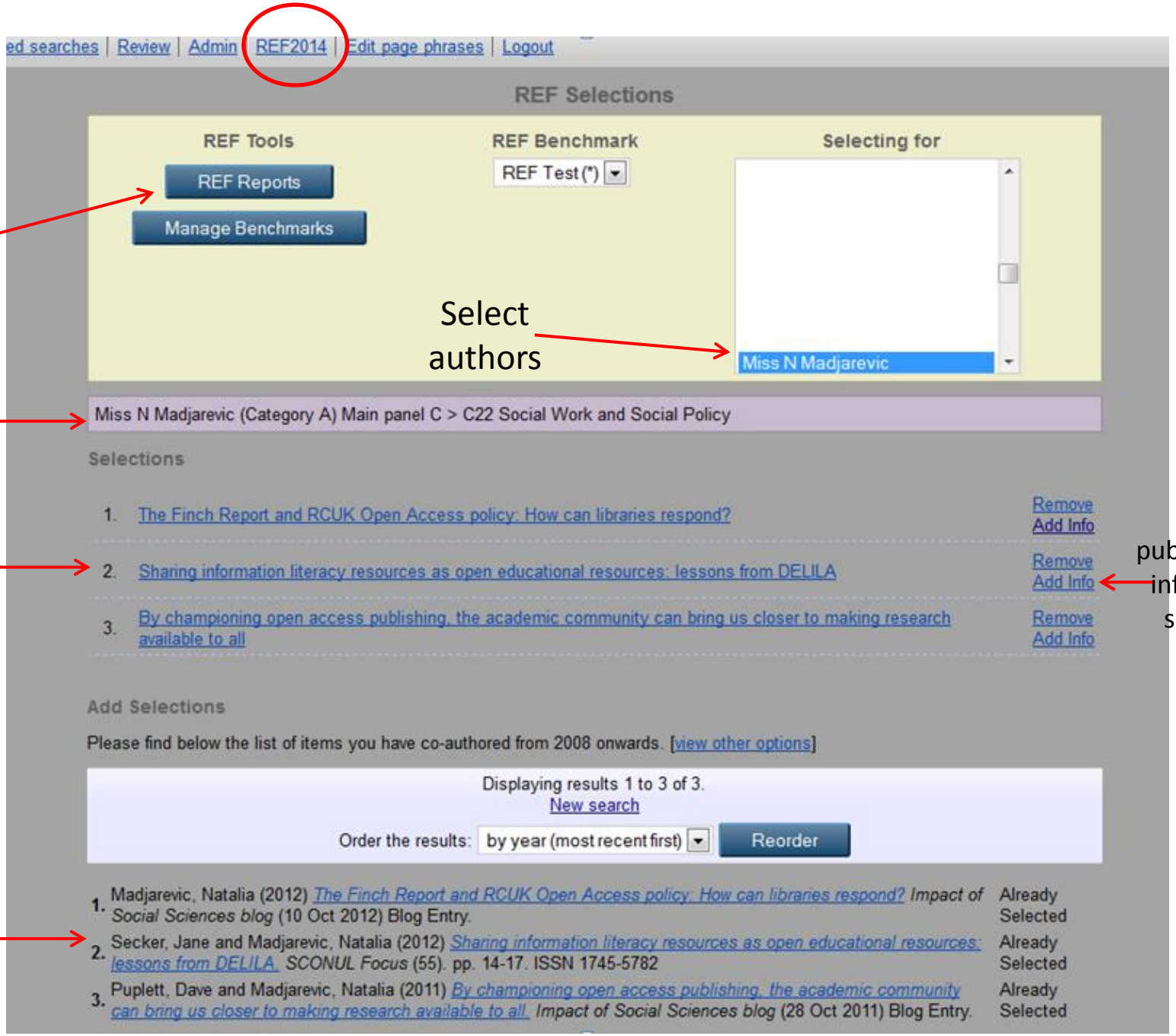
Select authors

UOA Panel

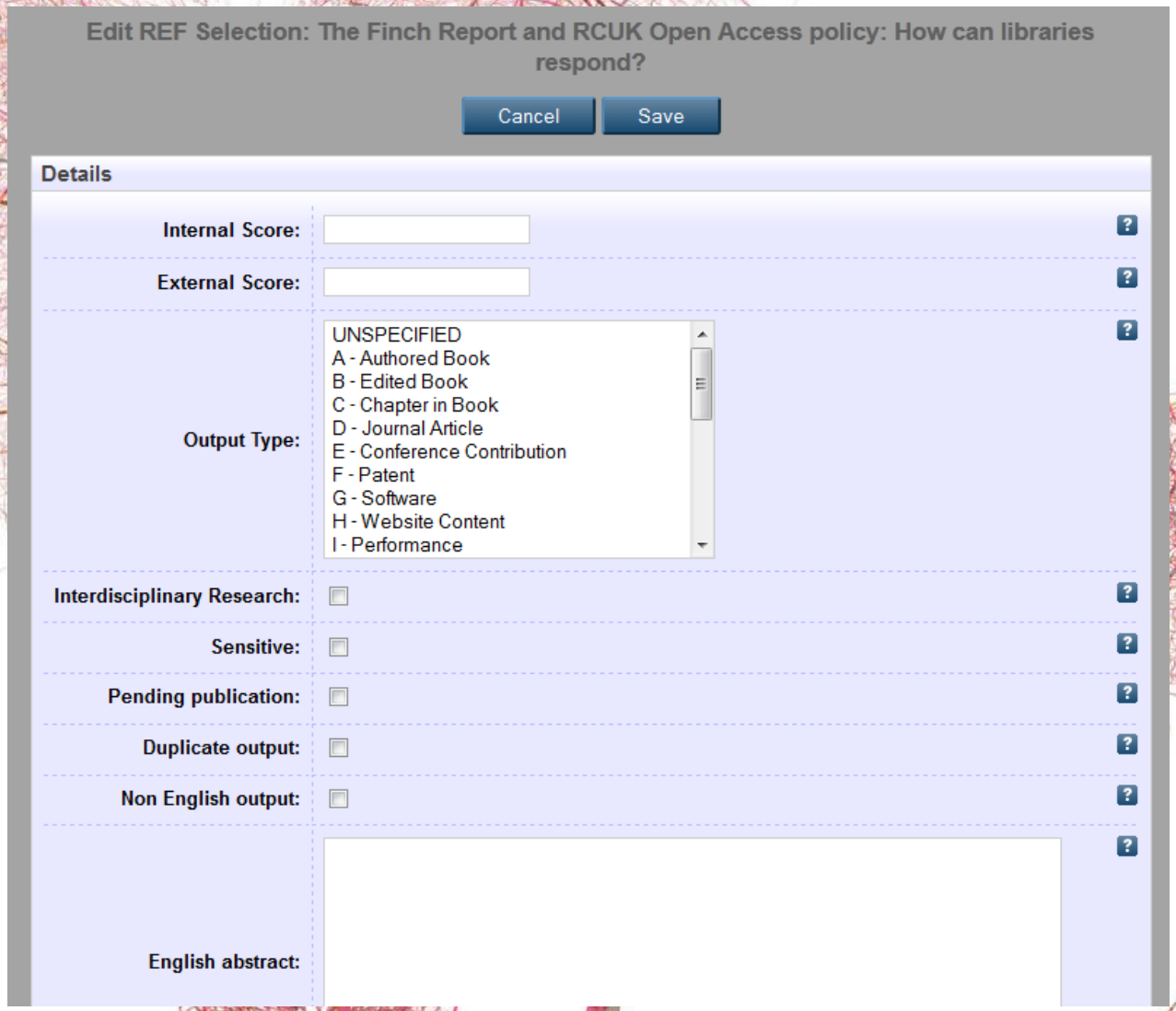
View REF Selections

Add publication info, e.g. scores

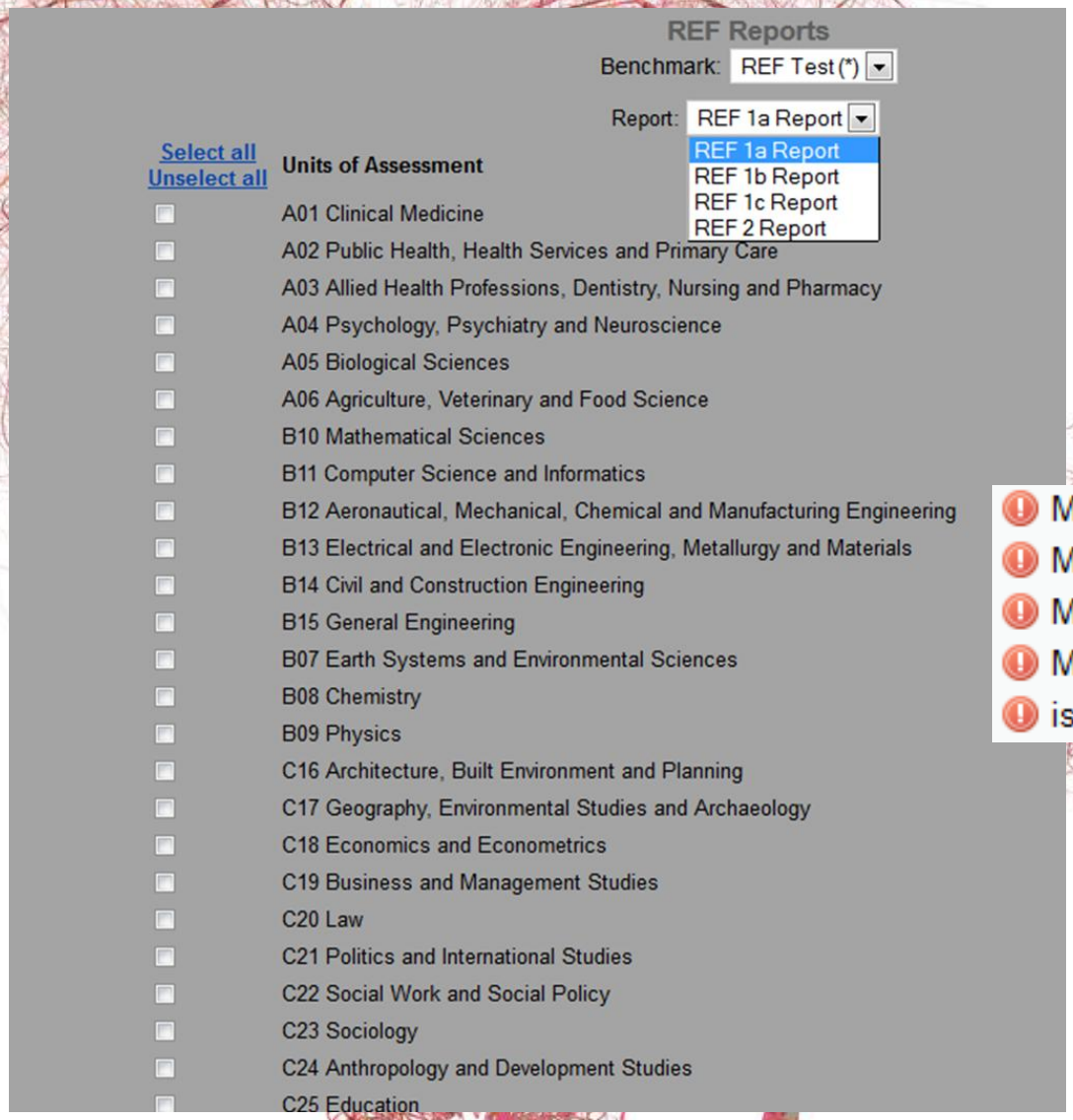
Add items from database

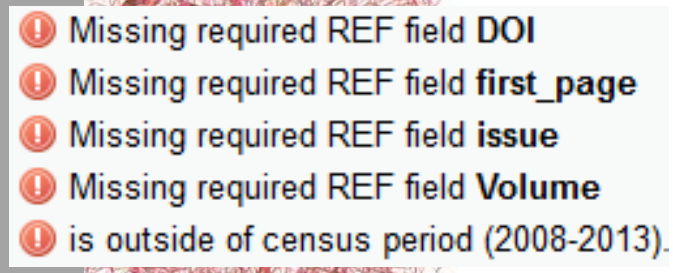


REF2014 plugin: Additional publication information



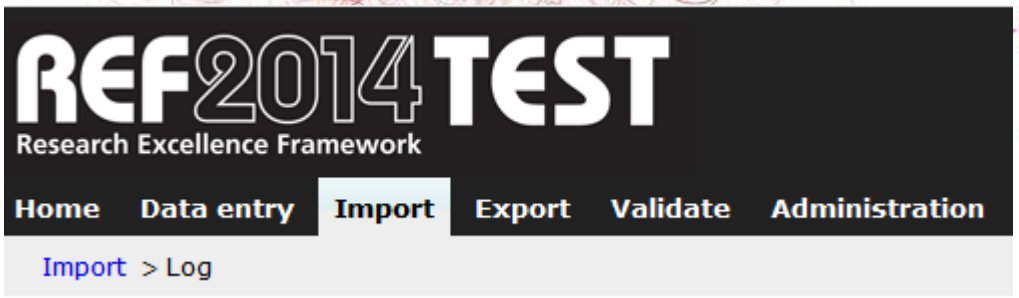
REF2014 plugin: Reports





The blue tick: HEFCE test import

- Successful upload to REF submission system
- HEFCE template is important!
- REF user support, repository community & EPRINTSREF@JISCMAIL.AC.UK



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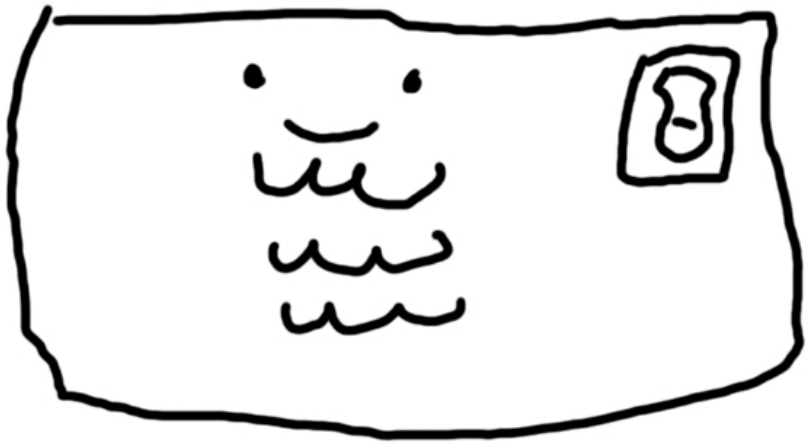
What's next?

- Import data to HEFCE system
- Submission date: 29 Nov 2013
- Publication of outcomes: December 2014



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What have we learned?

- EPrints Bazaar expanded services we offer
- Important to promote as a Library service
- Strategically important service
- Request updates in advance
- Maintain close links with Research Division
- We’re here to make things easier!

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Post REF?

- Shift back to Open Access focus
- Fully up-to-date with key LSE research
- MePrints?
- CRIS implementation
- REF2020 fully OA

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Questions?

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