

PROFESSOR DR THIDA WIN

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The vision of University of Mandalay, where Professor Dr Thida Win serves as Rector, is to strive to become the leading research university in Myanmar.

This is no small task in a country that has very recently begun opening up to the outside world after decades of isolation – and is one reason why Professor Dr Win has embraced the concept of open access, which enables immediate, unrestricted and free online access to peer-reviewed research.

In 2015, EIFL introduced the concept of open access to the university through a series of workshops. The university formed an open access working group whose first steps were to draft an open access policy and to set in motion processes for development of an open access repository.

“Open access is essential for us to achieve the university’s vision,” said Professor Dr Win. “We need access to up to date scientific publications, and to be able to make our research visible and available to scientists and researchers in Myanmar and the international community.”

The repository will enable access to articles, books and monographs, conference proceedings, research reports, and final copies of theses and dissertations.

IN 2015: Over 10,200 people were trained in open access topics across the EIFL network.



“The open access repository will enable our university and researchers to establish new international and national research partnerships.”

– PROFESSOR DR THIDA WIN