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Abbreviations

ADSL	Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line
ANC	African National Congress (South Africa)
APC	article processing charge
CASR	Centre for Applied Social Research (UoM)
CBBR	Centre for Biomedical and Biomaterials Research (UoM)
CC	content coordinator
CC-BY-SA	Creative Commons (license) – Attribution and Share Alike
CCRC	Consultancy and Contract Research Centre (UoM)
CERN	European Organisation for Nuclear Research
CET	Centre for Educational Technology (UCT)
CHAT	Cultural Historical Activity Theory
CHED	Centre for Higher Education Development (UCT)
CHET	Centre for Higher Education Transformation (South Africa)
CMS	content management system
Comm	Faculty of Commerce (UCT)
CRIS	current research information system
CV	curriculum vitae
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency
DHET	Department of Higher Education and Training (South Africa)
DLIS	Department of Library and Information Studies (UB)
DOI	digital object identifier
DRPC	Departmental Research and Publications Committee (UB)
DVC	deputy vice chancellor
EASSy	Eastern Africa Submarine cable System
EC	European Commission
ERC	European Research Council
ETDs	electronic theses and dissertations
EU	European Union
FHSS	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (UNAM)
FoH	Faculty of Humanities (UB)
FoS	Faculty of Science (UoM)
FTE	full-time equivalent
GDP	gross domestic product
GER	gross enrolment ratio
HEI	higher education institution
HERANA	Higher Education Research and Advocacy Network in Africa
HINARI	Health InterNetwork Access to Research Initiative
HoD	head of department
HOORC	Harry Oppenheimer Okavango Research Centre (UB)
HSRC	Human Sciences Research Council (South Africa)
HTML	hypertext mark-up language
IBSS	International Bibliography of the Social Sciences
ICT	information and communications technology
IDRC	International Development Research Centre (Canada)
ILRC	Information and Learning Resource Centre (UNAM)
IMF	International Monetary Fund

IP	intellectual property
IR	institutional repository
ISI	Institute for Scientific Information
IT	information technology
JISC	Joint Information Systems Committee
JPG	Joint Photographic Experts Group
JRF	junior research fellow
kbps	kilobytes per second
LION	Lower Indian Ocean Network
LMS	learning management system
LTS	Linux Terminal Server
MECHR	Ministry of Education, Culture and Human Resources (Mauritius)
MESR	Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Mauritius)
MICT	Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (Mauritius)
MRC	Mauritius Research Council
MRC	Multi-disciplinary Research Council (UNAM)
MTESRT	Ministry of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology (Mauritius)
MUR	Mauritian rupees (currency)
N\$	Namibian dollar
NCRST	National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (Namibia)
NGO	non-governmental organisation
NHS	National Health Service (UK)
NIH	National Institutes of Health (USA)
NIHR	National Institute for Health Research (UK)
NRF	National Research Foundation (South Africa)
OAI-PMH	Open Archives Initiative Protocol for Metadata Harvesting
OA	open access
OARE	Online Access to Research in the Environment
ODL	Open and Distance Learning
OER	open educational resource
OJS	Open Journal System
OpenDOAR	Open Directory of Open Access Repositories
ORD	Office of Research and Development (UB)
OSISA	Open Society Initiative of Southern Africa
P	Botswana pula (currency)
PALM	Publishing and Alternative Licensing Model
PAO	Profiling Academics Online
PDF	portable document format
PERii	Programme for the Enhancement of Research Information
PHP	Personal (Home Page) Hypertext Processor
PI	principal investigation
PLOS	Public Library of Science
PMS	performance management system (UB)
QA	quality assurance
R&D	research and development
RA	research assistant
RC	research coordinator

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RCUK	Research Council United Kingdom
REF	Research Excellence Framework (UK)
RePEc	Research Papers in Economics
ROAR	Registry of Open Access Repositories
RSA	Republic of South Africa
RSS	really simple syndication
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAFE	South Africa Far East (optical fiber submarine cable)
SALDRU	South African Labour and Development Research Unit (UCT)
SAPSE	South African Post Secondary Education
SARChI	South African Research Chairs initiative
SARUA	Southern African Regional Universities Association
SCAP	Scholarly Communication in Africa Programme
SDF	staff development fellowship (UB)
SRIF	Strategic Research and Innovation Framework (UoM)
SWORD	Simple Web service Offering Repository Deposit
TEC	Tertiary Education Council (Botswana)
TEC	Tertiary Education Commission (Mauritius)
TEI	tertiary education institution
THE	Times Higher Education
TIFF	tagged image file format
UB	University of Botswana
UBRISA	University of Botswana Research, Innovation and Scholarship Archive
UCCB	University Central Consultancy Bureau (UNAM)
UCT	University of Cape Town
UNAM	University of Namibia
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
URL	uniform resource locator
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USD	United States dollar
VC	vice chancellor
VCILT	Virtual Centre for Innovative Learning Technologies (UoM)
VRE	virtual research environment
WoS	Web of Science
ZAR	South African rands (currency)