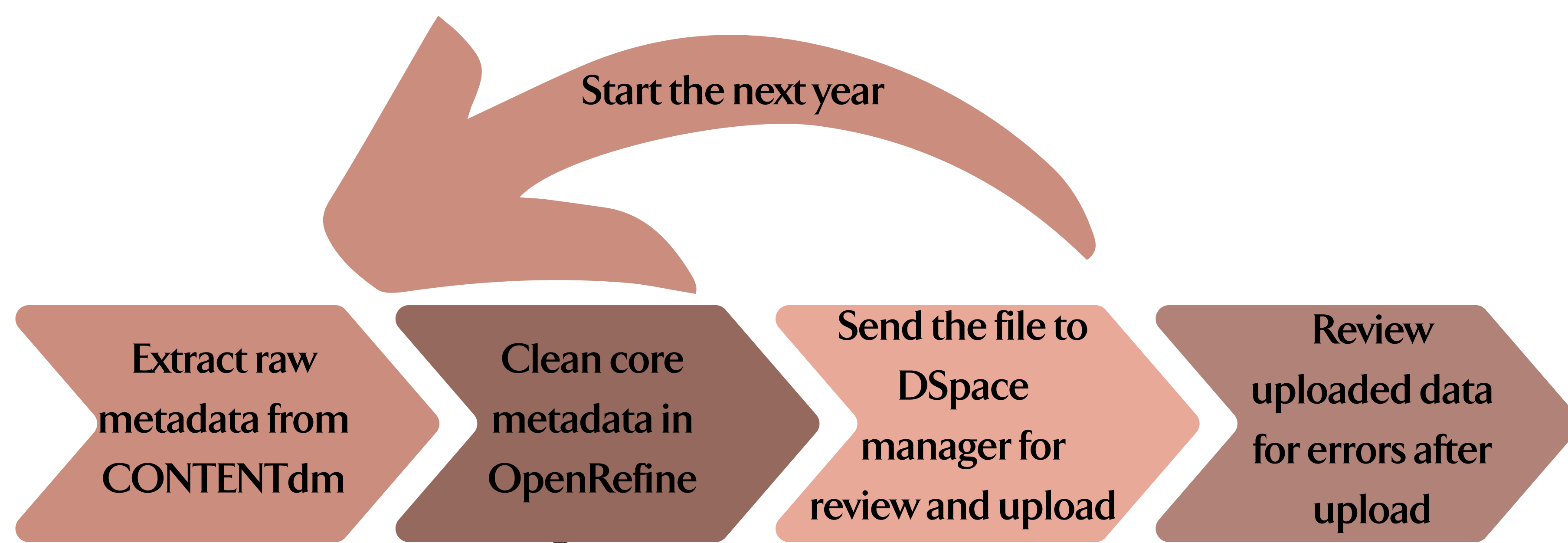


# Preservation of the IFPRI Record: Moving 50

## Years of Research



CONTENTdm Metadata	DSpace Metadata
Title	Title
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Abstract	Abstract
IFPRI Projects IFPRI Organizational Units	CGIAR Projects
Keywords (Thesaurus) Keywords (Unrestricted)	AGROVOC Keywords
Countries and Regions	Countries Regions

### Lessons Learned

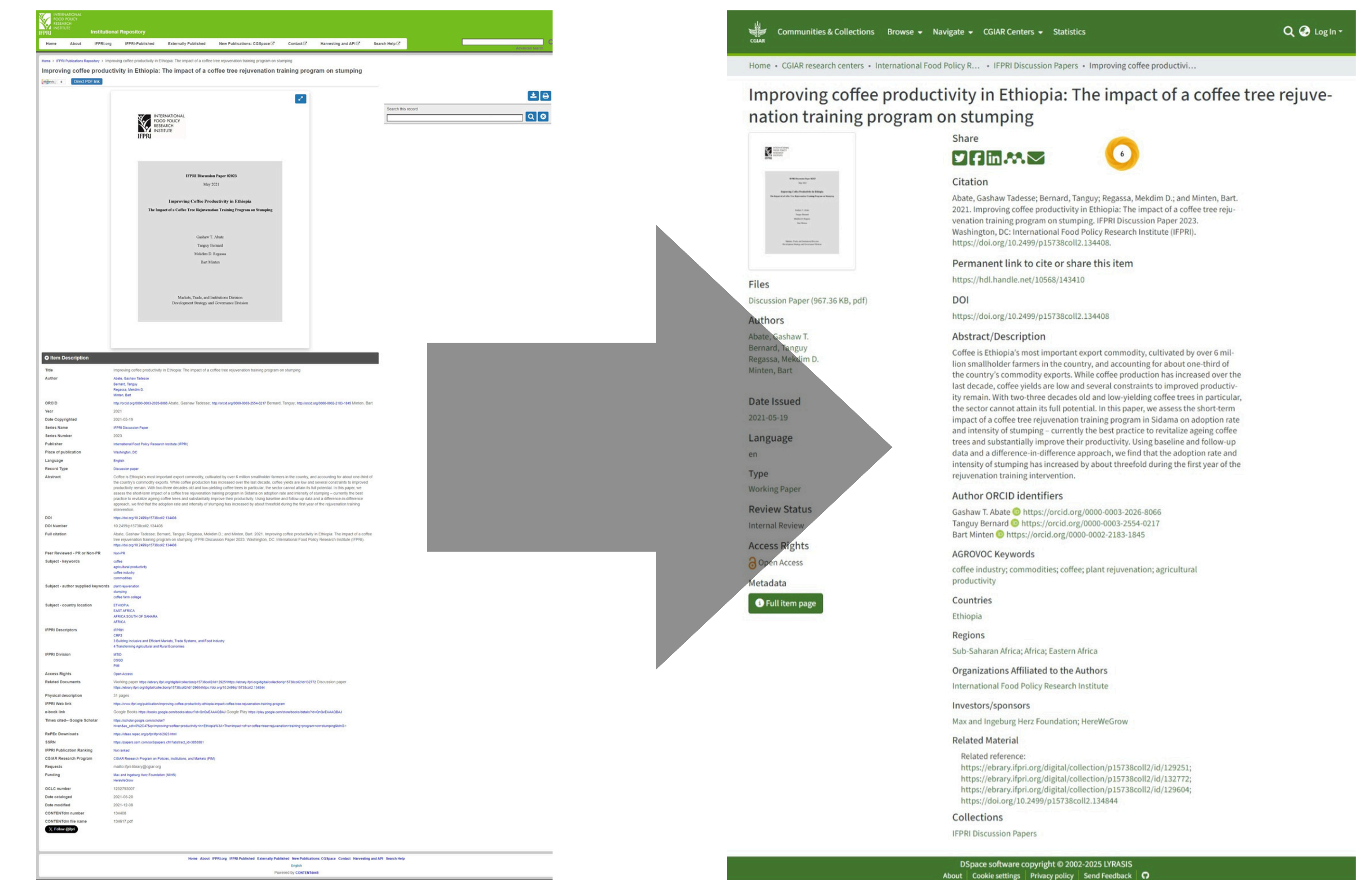
**Change management and outreach/education:** IFPRI's users had become used to the website and the repository structures. Stay mindful of the impact of changes between two systems and manage expectations and values of the user group. We use different metadata fields and relied on them for internal processes and reporting and needed to find a way to work with and around constraints.

**Time and resources:** Annual reporting needs should have been taken into consideration from the beginning. It would have been better to manage the post-migration tasks as a part of the during-migration process.

**Processes:** Better to clean as you go in a migration. The most challenging batches were those that had been migrated before and not gone through a data cleaning process.

**Recontextualize the repository:** We used the community and collection features that were newly available for better context and reporting. Flexibility of communities and collections. Greater ability to modify the entire repository by command line (system admin.). Publicly available usage statistics.

As the International Food Policy Research Institute approaches a half-century of agricultural research, the Communications Unit has taken the opportunity to review the legacy of both our organization and our researchers. As part of this effort, the Knowledge Management team spent a year migrating over 25,000 metadata records, including about 13,000 with a PDF file attached, from an Institutional Repository (CONTENTdm) to a shared Consortial Repository (CGSpace based on DSpace). In the process, we have improved the metadata and worked to conform our records with the different standards of the shared environment and ensure continued discoverability and usability. We were also able to identify key gaps in our open access holdings and added PDF files were possible. We continue to validate the metadata and holdings, including additions of chapter records that were previously missing. Our project has led to a greater role for our team on the shared platform and we have trained other CGIAR centers on how to successfully migrate their collections.



### November-December 2023

- Complete a test with an archival collection
- Identify potential issues and problem points in the process
- Create a guidelines document outlining purpose and process
- Finalize full project timeline

### January-July 2024

- Full migration of 10 years (approx. 50% of all) in single-year batches
- Prepare new repository integration with organization website
- Upload book records individually

### July-September 2024

- Hire intern to clean data items 20-50-years-old
- Clean and migrate 11-19-year-old items in two-year batches
- Finish uploading books to CGSpace and begin creating interactive chapter lists

### September-December 2024

- Redirection and DOI reassignment
- Complete migration of the IFPRI-published items
- Archival records creation
- Check for missing PDFs
- Share migration lessons learned with other centers
- Send final metadata file in late December

### January-February 2025

- Prepare for closure of old repository
- Remove links to ebrary on CGSpace
- Compile and process redirects (Web team)
- Modernize the external dissemination channels with automation