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Strategies for the New Digital World

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Welcome to the sixth annual Internet Librarian International—the only conference for information professionals and librarians who are using, developing, and implementing internet, intranet, and web-based strategies in their daily work as information navigators, webmasters, web managers, content evaluators, internet strategists, portal creators, product developers, searchers, library managers, and educators.

Back in London for 2004, Internet Librarian International provides a stimulating forum for inquiring delegates and experienced speakers to explore the exciting range of issues and challenges that information professionals face today.

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Conferences Overview
Location
All conference activities take place in the Millennium Gloucester hotel. The main conference sessions on Monday 11 October and Tuesday 12 October will be held in the Cotswold Suite. The preconference workshops take place in the Ashburn Suite on Sunday 10 October.

Catering
Coffee breaks will be held in the Courtfield Suite and lunch in The Conservatory. Coffee breaks and lunch are included in the delegate fees.

Reception
An evening reception will be held on Monday 11 October from 17:00 – 18:00 in The Conservatory. Information Today, Inc. invites all conference delegates and speakers to join us to celebrate our 6th year of the conference, providing further opportunity to network with your colleagues from around the world.

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The Story of the Cemetery of Books
09:00 – 10:00
Saad B. Eskander, Director General, Iraq National Library and Archive (Iraq)

Hear a first-hand report on the devastation and rebuilding of the Iraq National Library from the recently appointed Director General, Dr. Saad Eskander. A graduate of the London School of Economics and Political Science and fluent in Arabic, Kurdish, and English, Dr. Eskander will describe the Iraq National Library and Archive as it existed before the war and the burning and looting that took place following the fall of Baghdad. Aided by photos, he will show the extent of the damage at the National Library and the National Archive and discuss the reasons and responsibility for what happened. He will outline the respective roles of the CPA (Coalition Provisional Government), the NGOs (non-government operatives and contractors), and the Iraq Ministry of Culture in the rebuilding effort, which will result in the reopening of the National Library and Archive at its old site. Finally, delegates will learn about the new administration and new policies as Dr. Eskander outlines his plans for the future.

Web Search Engines: A Look Ahead
09:00 – 10:00
Danny Sullivan, Editor, SearchEngineWatch.com (UK)

Web search engines and web resources have become ubiquitous personal and business research tools, and offer countless opportunities and challenges for librarians. Danny Sullivan, the editor of SearchEngineWatch.com, will discuss what’s new with search engines, including current and future trends that affect search capabilities and results and offer new research techniques. Learn about the latest Google features, enhancements to Yahoo!, Microsoft’s anticipated search-centric operating system, paid placement for content owners and advertisers, and other recent search engine developments—and understand how these trends may affect libraries, information professionals, and their patrons and clients.

What Is Open Access?
A Live Interview with Open Access Advocate, Stevan Harnad
15:00 – 15:30

by Information Today Columnist and International Journalist Richard Poynder (UK)
Highly opinionated and often quoted, Stevan Harnad can be observed debating the subject of open access daily on his American Scientist Open Access Forum list, which he has moderated since 1998. Stevan is the Professor of Cognitive Science at Southampton University and Canada Research Chair in Cognitive Science at Université du Québec à Montréal.

Open Access, Issues for Libraries
15:30 – 16:30

This panel features experts who have worked with publishers, government agencies, and library associations to define open access issues for their constituents. They explain what their initiatives have entailed and discuss the issues they see as open access challenges and opportunities for libraries.

Hugh Look, Rightscom Ltd (UK)
Sally Morris, Chief Executive, Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers (ALPSP) (UK)
Barry Mahon, Executive Director, International Council for Scientific and Technical Information (ICSTI) (France)
Bruce Royan, CEO, Concurrent Computing Ltd., on behalf of CILIP, the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (UK)

Moderator: Richard T. Kaser, V.P., Content, Information Today, Inc., and former Executive Director, National Federation of Abstracting & Information Services (NFAIS) (USA)

Open Discussion with ILI Delegates and Open Access Forum Guests
16:30 – 17:00
Moderator: Marydee Ojala, Editor, ONLINE Magazine (USA)

Since the topic is “open access,” we are opening the doors to this special forum to anyone who wants to attend. However, full ILI delegates will have the first choice to a limited number of seats, which we predict will be filled fast.
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A101: Developing Information Handing Skills
- Selina Lock, University of Leicester (UK)
- Rhona Arthur, Scottish Library & Information Council (Scotland)
- Aneé Siebenhagan, Tshwane University of Technology (South Africa)

11:45 - 12:30
A102: Teaching Information Competency
- Maria Brahe & Cindy Lundquist, Pepperdine University (USA)
- Mary Peterson, Royal Adelaide Hospital/MV S (Australia)
- Myron Schieren-Suter, Gordon College (USA)

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- Tamara Pianos, National Library of Science & Technology (Germany)
- Terence Huwe, University of California (USA)

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A104: Best Practices for Promoting Electronic Resources
- Derek Fernandez, Hillington Libraries (UK)
- Brian Mitchell, JISC (UK)
- Jessie Draper, BBC (UK)

16:00 - 17:00
A105: Building Repositories & E-Journals Collections
- Cokie Anderson, Oklahoma State University (USA)
- Ali Abdulla, United Arab Emirates University (UAE)

17:00 - 18:00
NETWORKING RECEPTION FOR CONFERENCE DELEGATES

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Learn strategies, tools, and best practices for teaching information skills from colleagues who have hands-on experience. E-learning technology and the web offer special advantages for teaching information literacy and electronic research and resource skills. Case studies and best practices in this track describe information literacy projects in universities in the UK, US, Australia, and South Africa, and for young adults and the general public in Scotland.

Moderator: Richard Hulser, Senior Manager, Digital Initiatives, Amgen Libraries (USA)

Developing Information Handling Skills

Selina Lock, Information Librarian (Sciences), University of Leicester (UK)
Rhona Arthur, Assistant Director, Scottish Library & Information Council (Scotland)
Anée Sieberhagan, Training Librarian, Nelspruit Satellite Campus, Tshwane University of Technology (South Africa)

Find out how librarians from the UK and Scotland are using e-learning technology to teach information skills and about how the “digital divide” and disparate socio-economic backgrounds in South Africa offer special challenges for information literacy efforts. The Scottish Library and Information Council has developed an online information-handling skills course for young adults and the public, while the University of Leicester has designed an information literacy course using Impatica software and Informs (JISC) within the Blackboard virtual learning environment. The information literacy programme at the Tshwane University of Technology is using a fully equipped electronic resources centre to instruct and empower students from previously disadvantaged groups to fully utilise electronic resources.

Teaching Information Competency

Maria Brahme, Information Services Librarian, Cindy Lundquist, Coordinator, Educational Centres Libraries, Pepperdine University (USA)
Myron Schirer-Suter, Director of Library Services, Gordon College (USA)
Mary Peterson, Deputy, Library & Educational Information Services, Royal Adelaide Hospital/IMVS (Australia)

Learn how Pepperdine University in California delivers bibliographic instruction synchronously online to students dialing from across the US and around the world. See how IM (ICQ or instant messaging) and private chats are used in conjunction for lively multi-directional conversations between students and faculty. Discover how and why this format levels the interactive playing field and provides for close attention to individual questions. Hear some practical strategies for digital instruction from Mary Peterson of Australia as she shares tips and techniques about how to run hands-on training sessions for teaching adults.

Delegate Luncheon

Join your colleagues and the conference speakers and sponsors for lunch, and enjoy an opportunity to get acquainted with other attendees and discuss the topics you’ve heard at the morning’s sessions.

Discover how the speakers and sessions in this track are “thinking digital” and joining forces to challenge traditional mind-sets with new information products and strategies.

Moderator: Richard Hulser, Senior Manager, Digital Initiatives, Amgen Libraries (USA)
**Going Digital: Challenges & Rewards**

13:45 - 14:30

Tamara Pianos, Coordinator, vascodac-office, National Library of Science & Technology (Germany)

Terence Huwe, Director of Library & Information Services, Institute of Industrial Relations, University of California, Berkeley (USA)

“Going digital” offers a wide range of risks, rewards, and challenges, and size is no guarantee as illustrated by the speakers in this session. Vascodac is a joint venture of more than 40 German libraries, database providers, and other organizations that have joined forces to provide easy access to academic information. The collaborative effort was a major challenge for vascodac, given Germany’s unwieldy federal structure, while Terence Huwe faced different constraints at the University of California. His account of how the university’s digital librarians have gained advantages by being a “late adopting institution,” will be enlightening and encouraging to internet librarians in developing regions around the globe.

### Coffee Break & ILI Sponsor Showcase

14:30 - 15:00

**Best Practices for Promoting Electronic Resources**

15:00 - 15:45

Moderator: Tom Jackson, Senior Publisher, Reference & Schools, ProQuest Information & Learning (UK)

Panelists:

Derek Fernandez, ICT Development Manager, Hillingdon Libraries (UK)

Brian Mitchell, Collections Promotion Manager, J Oint Information Systems Committee, JISC (UK)

Jessie Draper, BBC Information & Archives (UK)

Join this panel for a lively and interactive discussion of different approaches used to promote electronic resources in libraries of all kinds, including innovative ways of partnering with publishers to increase awareness and usage. Leading practitioners from public, academic, and special libraries will share examples and success stories and examine future trends. Take home some good tips and ideas about how to encourage greater use of the digital resources in your library or information centre.

### Building Repositories and E-Journals Collections

16:00 - 17:00

Cokie Anderson, Assistant Professor, Oklahoma State University (USA)

Ali Abdulla, Head of Public Services, United Arab Emirates University (UAE)

Many universities are developing institutional digital repositories of the research performed by their faculty and graduate students. One motivating factor is the high cost of scholarly journals and the need to facilitate open access to scholarly communication. Another is the preservation of the materials scholars are producing in digital format. Learn what makes up a repository, why repositories are important to institutions individually and the scholarly community collectively, and what issues and difficulties arise when one is planning and building a repository. Likewise, the cost and complexity of maintaining print journal collections are leading some libraries to undertake a related set of challenges and build a collection of e-journals. Hear how the UAE University Libraries are moving toward an all electronic journal collection.

### Information Issues

10:30 - 11:30

Bits, bytes, and bandwidth cross national boundaries and the pervasive influence of the internet means that many issues related to the use and accessibility of electronic content are similar for librarians and information professionals around the world. Hear three experts discuss global information issues in this thought-provoking session.

**Whose Information Is This & Can I Use It?**

Helmi Noman, Internet Strategist (UAE)

Who owns what you find on the internet and where did it come from? Is it OK to use? To transfer to and from other web sites? Helmi Noman, an internet strategist, will discuss emerging legal issues surrounding web content development and publishing, web-specific legal controversies including copyright, intellectual property, and the legality of internet fair use as it relates to various online activities, as well as the legal rights and responsibilities for librarians and information professionals.

**Access Issues and Initiatives: The Ugandan Experience**

Eva M utungole Wamala, Librarian, National Environmental Management Authority (Uganda)

The growing availability of information centres, libraries, the internet, and digital technologies is providing an opportunity for promoting open access to information in Uganda. However, the road is filled with potholes due to socio-cultural and legislative issues, and publishers, researchers, and other information providers who are learning to work together. Hear what Uganda has accomplished so far—its successes and failures, what it hopes to do in the future, and what the impact of free access to information has meant to Ugandans.

**Ethical Problems in the Formation of an Information Society**

Irina Trushina, Senior Researcher, National Library of Russia (Russia)

The World Summit on the Information Society (2003, Geneva) defined the beginnings of a strategy for the formation of a global “information society.” However, the reality faces myriad ethical dilemmas and poses a key question: Is it possible to have binding universal codes of conduct as far as ICTs (information communication technologies) are concerned, or should the dialogue be about developing local and regional ethics guidelines? Explore the implications from the perspective of librarians and information professionals.

### Link Resolver Workshop, Part 1

11:45 - 12:30

Moderator: Donald T. Hawkins, Information Today and EBSCO Publishing (USA)

Alice de Jong, Developer, Peace Palace Library (The Netherlands)

As federated search and metasearch systems become more prevalent, there is an increased need to link from abstracts to...
full text documents and from one source to another. The market for link resolver systems that facilitate linking is extremely active, but it is likely that many people aren’t fully aware of all the issues that enter into the decision to install such a system. This special double session (B102-B103) will help you understand what you need to know about link resolver technology and products. You will learn what they are, how they work, and who sells them. You can even build your own, as you will learn from Alice de Jong in this session.

Delegate Luncheon ➔ The Conservatory
12:30 - 13:45
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Link Resolver Workshop, Part 2 ➔ B103
13:45 - 14:30
Moderator: Donald T. Hawkins, Information Today and EBSCO Publishing (USA)
Harry Samuels, Product Manager, Linking & Searching, Endeavor Information Systems (UK)
Clive Wright, National Sales Manager, EBSCO Information Services (UK)
Owen Stephens, E-Strategy Coordinator, Royal Holloway, University of London (UK)

In the second part of this double session on link resolvers, hear from two link resolver vendors, LinkSource and Endeavor, and a user who will describe his experiences in installing and maintaining the SFX resolver in his library.

Coffee Break & ILI Sponsor Showcase ➔ Courtfield Suite
14:30 - 15:00

Open Access Forum for Internet Librarians ➔ B104
15:00 - 17:00
Moderator: Richard T. Kaser, V.P., Content, Information Today, Inc.(USA)
Open Access began as an academic discussion and has now become a movement to turn the world’s research literature into a global resource accessible to everyone over the internet. Leading research organisations, publishers, and library associations (including IFLA and CILIP) have issued position statements. Last year’s World Summit on the Information Society endorsed Open Access as a means of encouraging development around the world. The Open Access agenda has even attracted the interest of politicians, spawning legislation in the U.S. Congress and hearings in the U.K. House of Commons. But what is Open Access all about? And what does it have to do with internet librarians?

Full details on page 3.

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systems it had at hand blend Unix-based data and web pages into one Windows-based web site.

**E-Books Plus**

**15:00 - 15:15**

Paul Walker, Knovel (UK)

A new generation of e-books is here. Advances in software and architecture allow e-books to be used as a desktop productivity tool for scientists and engineers as well as a reference source. Knovel combines hundreds of the world’s best sci-tech references and databases into a one-stop online resource for finding answers for science and engineering. Content in Knovel has been “knovelised,” allowing users to solve and plot equations, turn printed tables into spreadsheets, manipulate digitised graphs, search by chemical structure, and more.

**Five Easy Tricks for Extreme Searchers**

**15:30 - 15:45**

Randolph Hock, Online Strategies (USA)

The author of The Extreme Searcher’s Guide to Web Search Engines reveals some search secrets that all serious searchers should know about and profit from. These quick and easy techniques can be put to immediate use when you return to your office or library.

**Exploring Toolbars**

**15:30 - 15:45**

Greg Notess, Reference Librarian, Montana State University (USA)

It seems like every search engine has introduced toolbars. How do they enhance your search experience? Which ones are worth adding to your desktop? Should you even bother with them? Greg Notess will review the current state of the art with toolbars and suggest which ones are worth a chunk of your desktop real estate.

**Burnout in Libraries and Information Centres**

**16:00 - 16:15**

Hasan Siamian, Afsaneh Shahhabi, Mohammad Vahedi & Jamshid Yazdani Cherati, Medical Sciences University (Iran)

Some causes of burnout include severe and improper working conditions, poor management, and marital status. A study of librarians at Mazandaran and Babol Medical Sciences libraries in North Iran showed that more than 50 percent suffered from stress. Hear some suggestions for remedying the situation and improving work performance.

**An In-House Quick Search Guide**

**16:00 - 16:15**

Anne-Marie Pettersson & Eva Norling, Librarians, Blekinge Institute of Technology (Sweden)

The Quick Search Guide, a short instructional guide to web searching, developed in-house, provides an effective tool to help students in net-based courses learn how to search the internet. Available in both Swedish and English and using a combination of graphics and text, the guide delivers short, quick answers to the most common search problems and is a shortcut to the library’s information resources.

**New Technologies in Libraries**

**16:30 - 16:45**

Michael Stephens, Technology Librarian, St. Joseph County Public Library (USA)

Hot new technologies for libraries need to be carefully evaluated. What is appropriate in one setting may not be in another. Which are the technologies you should be seriously looking at and which may not be of immediate importance to you? How can you tell the difference?

An evening reception will be held on Monday 11 October from 17:00 – 18:00 in The Conservatory.
Managing internal and external content for maximum findability and effectiveness has become a large part of the job for many internet librarians. Experts in this track discuss site search options, including tools for enhancing search such as taxonomies and thesauri, and how to “think globally” about your intranet or portal.

Moderator: Jane McConnell, NetStrategy JMC (France)

Enterprise Search & Findability
10:30 - 11:30

Choosing the Perfect Search Engine for Your Organisation
Mikael Thorson, Associate Partner, Infosphere AB (Sweden)

Learn how to take a structured approach to selecting a search engine, considering your user needs and technical and organisational requirements. Mikael Thorson will cover topics including how to determine if a search engine is really a search engine, the roles of users, content, and technology in achieving an effective search capability, and the selection and evaluation process for choosing a search engine.

Enhancing Search: An Update on Taxonomies, Metadata & Thesauri
Leonard Will, Information management Consultant, Willpower Information (UK)

Learn when and how applying metadata based on a taxonomy or other form of controlled vocabulary can make it easier to find information on your intranet or web site. Understand the pros and cons of acquiring a taxonomy or thesaurus or designing your own, and learn the essential do’s and don’ts of implementing a taxonomy and how to integrate it with your search engine. Leonard Will shares his years of experience in information management and organisation for museums and libraries archives.

International Intranets & Portals
11:45 - 12:30

Jane McConnell, NetStrategy JMC (France)

In this practical session, learn how to manage problems such as finding the right balance between global guidelines and local autonomy, how to deal with multi-language interfaces and content, and achieving crucial buy-in from marketing, sales, and technical teams around the world. Get some practical guidelines on how to approach internationalisation issues and hear case studies about best practices, “pain” points, and lessons learned.

Delegate Luncheon
The Conservatory
12:30 - 13:30

Keep up-to-date with developments in web search engines and with information resources that the search engines overlook. This track covers a wide range of issues related to web searching, especially focusing on new approaches to searching.

Moderator: Marydee Ojala, Editor, ONLINE Magazine (USA)

People & Their Machines
13:30 - 14:30

The Challenge of Teaching Web Searching
Greg Notess, Reference Librarian, Montana State University (USA)

The constant change among web search engines requires an equally constant exploration of a variety of techniques for teaching. This differs from classic bibliographic instruction. Discover how other instructors manage the complexities of teaching web searching and training users to use Google and other search tools within the larger sphere of information literacy.

Improving Information Retrieval with Client-Side Automation
Allison Stacey, Internet Strategist, WebInfoPro Cambridge (UK)

The processing power of the machines used to search the internet generally goes untapped. Harnessing this power to promote efficient retrieval capitalises on the advantages provided by client-side automation. When employed correctly, client-side automation dramatically changes the scope of questions answerable on the web.
Reputation Monitoring and Competitive Intelligence
Barbie Keiser, BEK Inc. (USA)
Reputation monitoring is a new use of search technology that has developed from news clipping services and social networking. Differences among the reputation monitors currently available—in terms of sources, methodology, presentation of results, ability to redistribute results, integration with other tools for further mining and analysis—will be highlighted in this forward-looking session.

Clustering of Search Engine Results
Wouter Mettrop, CWI, Hanneke Smulders, Infomare Consultancy (The Netherlands), & Paul Nieuwenhuysen, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium)
An investigation of the automated clustering of identical or nearly identical documents by Google shows that pages are clustered even when they differ substantially in meaning. Users can end up relying on information that represents a cluster, but which is not the most appropriate document in the cluster.

Advanced Web Searching
16:00 – 17:00
Exploring Shortcuts and Personalisation
Randolph Hock, Online Strategies (USA)
Web search engines have been developing shortcuts to help you find airline flight information, do simple arithmetic calculations, track packages, and a host of other things. In addition, personalisation is a hot topic in the search engine world. What value do shortcuts and personalisation have for information professionals? How can you best use these to enhance your searching experience?

Using Advanced Search Techniques
Phil Bradley, Consultant (UK)
The ability to use advanced search techniques is what sets information professionals apart from the millions of casual searchers. Phil Bradley will explore both the advanced search templates available from major web search engines and search syntaxes that allow for field searching to refine search strategies.

Optimising Technology in Libraries
10:30 – 12:30
Libraries, Blogs & RSS
Frank Cervone, Assistant University Librarian for Information Technology, Northwestern University (USA)
Weblogs (blogs) are one of the hottest things on the web today, but what relevance do they have to libraries? A lot, according to Frank Cervone. Weblogs can help you learn about developments in any field, but they can also be used to reach out to patrons in new and exciting ways. Listen and learn how new technologies, such as RSS, are used to provide new, exciting services and how they are being deployed in libraries today. You will also learn what blogs are, about blogging software, and how blogs can be used to provide more effective library services.

Beyond E-Mail: Wikis, Blogs and Social Networking Software
Brian Kelly, UK Web Focus, UKOLN (UK)
We know about using the web for publishing, but several recent innovations offer richer and more interactive ways to support communications and collaboration. For young people, communications tools such as instant messaging and mobile phone technologies are widely used and even replacing e-mail. Brian Kelly will discuss new collaborative technologies, such as wikis and blogs, and the emergence of personalisation and social software.
of social networking software. He will describe challenges and strategies for deploying these intriguing, new collaborative tools and show examples of how they are being used in libraries today.

**Technology Planning for Libraries: Avoiding Technolust & Technobust**

Michael Stephens, Technology Librarian, St. Joseph County Public Library (USA)

Deploying new technologies requires effective technology planning. How do we use our services with innovative technology and still remain within our budgets? Michael Stephens discusses current hot technologies such as RFID, wifi, MP3s, DRM, federated searching and how they might fit into library technology plans. He will cover what to consider when planning new technology initiatives, including: cost, training, ROI, staffing, etc. Technolust (defined as wanting technology for the sake of technology) is a frequent pitfall for technology enthusiasts. Learn how to create a well-written technology plan that serves as a guide to help you avoid technobust!

**Optimising Technology in Libraries (Panel Discussion)**

Frank Cervone, Assistant University Librarian for Information Technology, Northwestern University (USA)  
Brian Kelly, UK Web Focus, UKOLN (UK)  
Michael Stephens, Technology Librarian, St. Joseph County Public Library (USA)

Join the three speakers in this special session for stimulating discussion of where technology for libraries is headed, which new developments they see as best bets for successful projects, and their tips on strategies, deployment, and technical problems.

**Delegate Luncheon**  
12:30 - 13:30

Join your colleagues and the conference speakers and sponsors for lunch, and enjoy an opportunity to get acquainted with other attendees and discuss the topics you’ve heard at the conference.

**Technology Tools & Practices Track B**

**Chalford/Dean**

Usability testing, design tools, strategies, techniques, and other technology tools and practices are part of the modern information professional’s toolkit. Providing electronic resources and services means making them available in accessible, easy-to-use, and attractive formats. Hear from info pros in this track about how to harness the latest technology tools and implement best practices for content integration, access, and usability.

Moderator: Frank Cervone, Assistant University Librarian for Information Technology, Northwestern University (USA)

**Usability Testing: Learning & Doing**  
13:30 - 14:30

Elaina Norlin, Senior Program Officer, Institute for Museum and Library Services (USA)  
Lesley Moyo, Head Gateway Libraries, Penn State University Libraries (USA)

Many libraries have employed usability testing to improve the design of their web sites, but usability testing is more than just a way to make your web site visually pleasing. If it is done well, usability testing also can improve access to the vital services you pay for and provide to your users. Hear practical information and useful tips on how to conduct usability testing, and learn how to use usability data and improved web design to assess the delivery of information services. See examples of usable and not-so-usable academic library web sites and understand how site organisation affects the user’s search experience.

**Coffee Break & ILI Sponsor Show case**  
14:30 - 15:00

**Digital Library Design**  
15:00 - 15:45

Roar Storleer, Senior Research Librarian, University Library of Trondheim (Norway)  
Andrew Wright, Electronic Access and Information Services Manager, National Information and Library Service (Australia)

The new UbiT Web from the University Library of Trondheim in Norway is just about to be launched after an intense, 2-year effort to develop a digital library that has well-organised, structured, and user-friendly pages. Hear how the programmers met the demands of the editorial group and collaborated to build a usable site. Usability, digital design, and virtual resources for vision-impaired clients means unique twists and challenges. Learn about the challenges of building virtual services using audio-based technologies to supplement web-based ones, and see examples of such services from around the globe.

**Federated Searching: The Next Generation of Library Services**  
16:00 - 17:00

Frank Cervone, Assistant University Librarian for Information Technology, Northwestern University (USA)

Understand what federated searching and context-sensitive linking are and how they combine to provide integrated access to full-text resources. Using his work at a major U.S. university, Frank Cervone explores the concepts and technologies employed to implement federated search and looks at implementation questions and concerns. In addition, he covers what software is currently available and how various standards, such as OpenURL, OAI, and XML, relate to these new services.

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**Web Search Skills & Strategies**

*10:00 - 13:00*

Greg Notess, Reference Librarian, Montana State University (USA)

Get up-to-date on search strategies, skills, and resources in this course on searching the web. Learn power user tips and tricks and acquire an advanced skill set of search tools for searching the web. Hear what's new with Yahoo!, Google, and the rest of the engines, and find out what you need to know to use them effectively. This in-depth review and analysis of search engine features, functionality, and coverage is conducted by Greg Notess, editor of SearchEngineShowdown, and an internationally known speaker and author who covers the latest developments in web search.

**Successful Technology Training**

*10:00 - 13:00*

Michael Stephens, St. Joseph County Public Library (USA)

This energetic, fast-paced workshop teaches how to plan and implement successful technology training that is centered on the user and defined by user needs. Delegates will learn three methods to analyse and define users’ technology needs, a “sure fire” test to ensure measurable outcomes and objectives, simplified task analysis for breaking learning down into steps, a toolbox of strategies to make technology learning fun and interesting, and two approaches to demonstrate and reinforce learning. With theory made practical, demonstrations of real-world training and instruction, and in-class practice using these techniques, this workshop is fun and highly interactive.

**International News Research**

*14:00 - 17:00*

Randolph Hock, Online Strategies (USA)

Though the quantity of news and news sources has increased dramatically in recent years, finding the exact news that one needs has become significantly more complicated. Along with the more traditional newspapers, news network sites, news wires, and radio and television stations, the searcher is also confronted with a wide variety of new news aggregation sites, RSS feeds, blogs, and various hybrids. This workshop will sort out the options for finding past and current news, address news browsing and searching options, examine the range of extremely valuable, yet free alerting services, and present a variety of techniques and tips. Attendees will come away with a much better understanding of what news content and search options are available and with knowledge that will make news searching much more efficient and effective.

**Quality Assurance for Web Sites**

*14:00 - 17:00*

Brian Kelly, UKOLN (UK)

As web sites provide increasingly mission-critical services, it is becoming more important to ensure that they are widely available, accessible, and functional—and comply with service level agreements and, perhaps even legal obligations to provide robust services. In this interactive workshop delegates will learn how quality assurance can help provide a framework for the provision of web services. The workshop will demonstrate tools and methodologies for identifying problem areas, identify the requirements, and showcase examples of QA procedures. Delegates will learn 1) the importance of quality assurance procedures; 2) how to implement procedures and tools to support the QA process; 3) how to develop action plans for such procedures in their own organisation.

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