AUTHORITY RECORDS FOR AUTHORS' NAMES IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE



E-prints in Library and Information Science

... is an international subject open archive for the Library and Information Science fields, established in 2003. With over 5,300 documents as of March 2007, E-LIS is the world's largest archive for LIS. Over half the documents in E-LIS are peer-reviewed. With support for 22 languages and a volunteer editorial team from over 40 countries, E-LIS is an outstanding example of global cooperation, which is reflected in one of the strengths of E-LIS, the diversity of its content.

E-LIS is completely free – for the reader, and for the depositing author. The initiative receives no funding and is not profit orientated. There are a total of 2,531 journal articles (online / unpaginated or print / paginated); of these, 1,940, or 76% are refereed. There are 1,178 conference related items (proceedings, papers, posters); of these, 549, or 46%, are refereed. There are a number of other types of documents in E-LIS, such as theses (133) or book chapters (119).

A March 2007 homepage. Server hosted at CILEA (Italy), employing GNU Eprints software, fully compatible with the Open Archive Initiative standards and protocols.

http://eprints.rdis.org/





... is a directory of professionals in Library and Information Science, that facilitates exchanges with other experts working in the same fields. Some of the advanced characteristics of the directory are the following:

- · Mechanisms that protect against the capture of e-mail addresses by robots
- · Standardization of organizational names
- · Automatic linking to works deposited by the experts in the E-LIS repository
- Possibility of editing the search equations of Google, Google Scholar, Yahoo and MSN in order to optimize them for each person
- Obtaining a measurement of popularity in each URL on the experts' records, including a TouchGraphics-Google map
- · Automatic real-time checking of all addresses included in the records
- · Immediate conversion of the records into XML, RDF and vCard formats



A March 2007 homepage. EXIT is a free not-for-profit service.

At the moment EXIT has 781 members.

Admission of new members is handled by the international Evaluation Committee and although criteria are flexible

http://www.directorioexit.info/

Why?

- * The IraLIS aims to link professionals-authors with their research output firstly in open access repositories and secondly offering an authority files service harvestable by any repository or service.
- * The correct form for the authors' names becomes crucial for the academic individuals who base their personal recognition on the citations to their scientific production.
- * The standardization of authors' names is an important aspect for the information retrieval on the Web, and especially for the repositories where the authors archive their scientific papers.



Who?

- * Anybody who studies and/or works in Library and Information Science.
- * At the moment IraLIS has 125 users.

Using the IraLIS records will allow authors' names to be interpreted by any source of information, and be distinguished of the homonyms.

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International Registry for Authors in Library and Information Science

Next steps...

- Authority files export (OAI-PMH)
- * Promotion among repositories, services and in Library and Information Science.
- * Awareness among authors of the importance to sign their scientific outputs in a unique form and maintenance of their authority file.



How?

- A database has been created whose registers are generated by the authors themselves filling in a simple form.
- 2. Once the full name has been introduced, the system provides a list with the different variants that can constitute the personal iralis, e.g. Josep Manuel Rodriguez Gairin, the system will offer him this range of options so that the user may choose the preferred IraLIS:

Rodriguez-Gairin, Josep-Manuel Rodriguezgairin, Josepmanuel Rodriguezgairin, J-Manuel Rodriguez-G, Josep-Manuel Rodriguez-Gairin, Josep-M Rodriguez-Gairin, J-Manuel R-Gairin, Josep-M R-Gairin, J-Manuel Rodriguez-G, JM.

[One of these IraLIS-compatible formats should be the heading format of an author.]

 In addition to the variants proposed automatically by the system, each author can introduce and maintain their own variants, e.g. Jose, Xose, Josep or Joseph ...creating the authority file.

IraLIS aims to be universal, for which we invite Arabic, Chinese, Indian, Japanese, Korean, etc. authors to introduce their names transliterated into English in IraLIS, given that the correct interpretation of their names is also frequently conflictive.



http://www.iralis.org

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