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1. Conferences

1.1 International Society for Knowledge Organization

Sixth International ISKO Conference

Call for Papers

The International Society for Knowledge Organization (ISKO) will conduct its 6th International Conference (ISKO 6) in Toronto, Canada, July 10–13, 2000. The theme of the conference is:

Dynamism and Stability in Knowledge Organization

Papers addressing Dynamism and Stability in Knowledge Organization from any of the following interrelated perspectives are invited:

- Cognitive and Linguistic Foundations
- Theories of Knowledge and Knowledge Organization
- Information Policies and Management of Knowledge Structures
- Information Systems: Concepts, Design and Implementation
- Culture, Language and Communication in Knowledge Organization
- Knowledge Organization of Universal and Special Systems
- Global Users and Uses of Knowledge and Knowledge Organization
- New Information Technologies for Knowledge Organization

Theoreticians, researchers and practitioners involved in knowledge organization are invited to submit abstracts of between 500 and 1000 words by September 30, 1999 to Professor Clare Beghtol, Programme Chair (see contact information below; electronic submissions welcome; please include ISKO in the subject line). In preparing your abstract please relate your topic to the theme of the conference and indicate the category above to which you believe your paper belongs. An international programme committee will review the papers, and authors will be notified of decisions by December 1, 1999. The deadline for submission of papers for the printed conference proceedings will be March 1, 2000.
Venue of the conference
Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada. Conference Chair: Nancy Williamson, Programme Chair: Clare Beghtol. Mailing address: Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto, 140 St. George Street, Toronto, Canada M5S 3G6. Fax: +1 416 971 1399; E-mail: isko@fis.utoronto.ca.

1.2 ALISE 2000 Annual Conference

San Antonio, Texas January 11–14, 2000

Conference theme: celebrating our Traditions – sharing our Dreams – shaping new Strategies for Excellence in Library and Information Science Education. For more information, see http://www.alise.org.


This call for papers seeks original contributions in all areas relating to current issues in library and information science education with particular emphasis on the ALISE 2000 Conference themes:

– understanding the changing nature of the complex, knowledge based environment in which we live and work
– using team-based approaches to build excellence in outreach service
– developing strategies for excellence and innovation in teaching and learning
– meeting the challenges of accountability
– strengthening our field through increased diversity
– meeting the challenges of the changing nature of promotion and tenure
– balancing general and specialized knowledge and practice
– strengthening research support, including integrating user-centered research from related fields, and learning techniques for writing high quality research proposals and increasing support

All submissions will be peer reviewed by an ALISE Jury: Daniel O’Connor (Rutgers), Chair; Nancy Zimmerman (Buffalo); and, Peter Liebscher (Long Island University). Submissions will be judged with the identity of the author(s) removed from the abstracts.

Prospective participants are encouraged to submit abstracts that report on recent research. Contributions to this Call for Papers should not have been published prior to Fall 1999. There are no restrictions on research methodology.

Abstracts should be approximately 1,000 words and include: purpose, method or process, findings, and significance. Decisions for presentation of juried papers at the ALISE Conference will be based on abstracts, and applicants will be notified by October 22, 1999. Those selected for presentation are required to submit a 200 word abstract for printing in the Conference program. A final paper must also be submitted by
December 1, 1999. Diskette and paper copies are required for posting to ALISE’s website in advance of the Conference. Papers should be approximately 15 to 20 pages. Authors should be prepared to deliver or summarize the paper in approximately 20 minutes. At the Conference, authors are expected to provide the audience with handouts (approximately 100 copies) summarizing key aspects of the accepted papers.

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1.3 2000 Annual Meeting and Conference Gateways to Leadership

The theme of the 2000 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting and Conference, “Gateways to Leadership”, will encourage law librarians and legal information workers to exercise a dynamic leadership role.

Poised to face the challenges of the present and the uncertainties of the future, law librarians and others who work with legal information have an unprecedented opportunity to shape the path for our profession and those we serve. We will open gateways to leadership in management, technology, and resource identification and allocation.

The Annual Meeting Program Selection Committee 2000 invites you to watch for more information on the 2000 Annual Meeting and Conference in the 2000 Program Planner’s Handbook to be available soon.

Members of the Annual Meeting Program Selection Committee for the 2000 Annual Meeting and Conference include:
Chair: Anne C. Matthewman, Metropolitan Toronto Lawyers Association
Members: Tom Duggan, Davis, Graham & Stubbs LLP
         David W. Falk, Duane, Morris & Heckscher LLP
         Phyllis Marion, California Western School of Law Library
         Madison Mosley, Jr., Stetson University College of Law
         Karlye Pillai, Supreme Court Library, Troy, N.Y.
         Regina T. Wallen, Robert Crown Law Library, Stanford University
Ex-Officio: Margaret Maes Axtmann, Board Liaison
Martha S. Brown, AALL Director of Programs

The Local Advisory Committee for the Annual Meeting and Conference is being chaired by Merle J. Slyhoff, Document Delivery and Auxiliary Services Librarian at the Biddle Law Library, University of Pennsylvania Law School.

The American Association of Law Libraries was founded in 1906 to promote and enhance the value of law libraries to the legal and public communities, to foster the profession of law librarianship, and to provide leadership in the field of legal information. Today, with over 4,600 members, the Association represents law librarians and related professionals who are affiliated with a wide range of institutions: law firms; law schools; corporate legal departments; courts; and local, state and federal government agencies. For more information, visit AALLNET, the official AALL web site, at www.aallnet.org.

1.4 The Fourth International Conference on Grey Literature


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Program

Opening Session

Session one: Global Assessment of Grey Literature: A Brave New World of Topics, Formats, and Uses.


Session three: Copyright and Grey Literature: Authorship, Ownership, and Property Rights.

2. Scholarships

2.1 Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Scholarships

Beta Phi Mu International Library and Information Studies Honorary Society announces the establishment of the Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship competition. Through the generosity of the Eugene Garfield Foundation six fellowships at $3,000 each will be awarded annually to applicants in the field of Library and Information Studies. “Dr. Eugene Garfield has created these fellowships to foster high quality research in the fields and to expedite the movement of new doctorates into teaching and research positions”, Bill Summers, Beta Phi Mu Executive Director indicated.

The fellowship recipients will be selected in June by a panel composed of a representative from the Association for Library and Information Studies Education (ALISE), the American Society for Information Science (ASIS), and Beta Phi Mu. Applications for the fellowships will be available on the Beta Phi Mu Home page http://nosferatu.cas.usf.edu/lis/bpm. The deadline for 1999 is June 1. In future years applications will be due March 15 for the following academic year. In announcing the fellowships, Beta Phi Mu President Marion T. Reid said, “These fellowships are highly important for the field and will make a significant and on-going impact. Beta Phi Mu International Library and Information Studies Honorary Society appreciates being selected by Dr. Garfield to administer this program and we believe it to a very appropriate activity for an honor.

Questions about the fellowships should be directed to the Beta Phi Mu Headquarters office at School of Information Studies, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2100. Tel.: +1 850 644 3907, E-mail: Beta_Phi_Mu@lis.fsu.edu, Fax: +1 850 644 5243.