

## **SIG ACTIVITIES REPORT**

SIG: SIG DL

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Budget Fiscal Year: 2015-2016

Current Chair: Ekatarina Grguric

Other Officers: Communications – Virginia (Ginnie) Dressler, Membership – Lyne Da Sylva, Webmaster – Matthew Murray, Past Chair – Kevin Comerford

Sig-of-the-Year Award consideration? YES

1. Did your SIG hold a planning meeting at the last annual meeting? YES

2. Who represented your SIG at the SIG Cabinet meeting at the last AM?

Ekatarina Grguric

3. Names of New Leaders of your SIG that may be interested in getting involved in other areas of ASIS&T:

4. Describe any efforts your SIG made especially designed to recruit new members or retain members (e.g., welcome letters, calls or visits, etc.):

SIG-DL members were once again very active in recruiting new members at the 2015 ASIS&T Annual Meeting in St. Louis. We also maintained an active listserv and made sure to cross-promote webinars across social media accounts. Most notably, SIG DL has made a particular effort to maintain a good web presence through the work of our Webmaster, Matthew Murray; Communications Officer, Virginia Dressler; and Alyson Gamble in one of her roles as Secretary. SIG DL maintained a healthy presence on Facebook and Twitter, with less attention given to LinkedIn this year. As in past years, SIG-DL has worked to recruit new members through the provision of webinars that use SIG DL branding. A Digital Liaisons Twitter chat and panel event in the lead up to the ASIS&T 2016 Annual Meeting as well as the panel itself are expected to be a major recruitment tool for SIG DL.

5. What programs, including those presented at the ASIS&T Annual Meeting, did your SIG sponsor or cosponsor during the fiscal year? (e.g., continuing education programs, regional meetings, promotional activities for your SIG or ASIS&T, career guidance, ongoing services, etc.). Please list the name of the program, speakers involved, date and location, estimated attendance, revenue and expenses, a brief description of each program, and other participating organization or ASIS&T units, if applicable.

SIG-DL 2016 Webinar Series SIG-DL hosted several webinars. Webinar Committee convened by Karen Miller. More are planned for the next Fiscal Year. SIG-DL Offers Deborah Barreau Memorial Award SIG-DL did not grant a Dr. Deborah Barreau Memorial Award this year. The award honors ASIS&T SIG-DL members who have made significant contributions

to the Digital Libraries Special Interest Group through service, projects, research or professional development initiatives that enrich the SIG-DL community. The award is intended to encourage active engagement of SIG-DL members, recognizing outstanding service to the SIG. In addition to recognition of exceptional contributions to SIG-DL, awardees also receive a modest monetary award which will be presented in a brief ceremony during the SIG-DL business meeting held at the ASIS&T Annual Meeting. Only ASIST SIG-DL members are eligible to be nominated, and current SIG-DL Executive Committee members are not eligible. Elizabeth Rolando was honored during a ceremony held during the SIG-DL business meeting at the ASIS&T Annual Conference on November 10, 2015 in St. Louis, Missouri. In 2014, the award went to Christopher Eaker for his outstanding service in organizing the 2013 Digital Liaisons panel session at the ASIS&T Annual Conference in Montreal. SIG-DL expects to offer the award again in 2017. SIG-DL Offers Student Engagement Award This award was created to help offset travel expenses to the ASIS&T Annual Meeting for students who are interested in learning more about the organization. The award required submissions of a brief statement of interest by individuals currently enrolled students; executive members of SIG DL were not eligible. Unfortunately, we did not have any students apply for this engagement award. We hope to be able to recruit qualified applicants next year.

6. Describe the publications your SIG produced during the activity period (e.g., newsletters, technical publications, pathfinders, joint publications, etc.). Briefly describe those publications here, indicate the publication frequency and intended audience, and enclose a copy of each publication (or provide the URL) with this report.

SIG-DL Launches a Yearbook Release time: ASIS&T Annual Meeting. SIG-DL Social Media Presence This year SIG-DL has continued to maintain an active social media presence on its Facebook and Twitter accounts, and through the SIG-DL LinkedIn page. Webmaster Matthew Murray and Communications Officer ensured that there were regular updates to the website. Virginia Dressler did the same to social media for promotion of activities. Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sigdl/> (229 members) LinkedIn Page: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/ASIS-T-SIGDL-1209207> (373 members) Twitter Page: <https://twitter.com/sigdl> (461 followers)

7. Describe your SIG's participation in other noteworthy activities during the period (e.g., participation in a public effort, such as, legislative hearing, standards committee, representation at meetings of other organizations, etc.).

SIG-DL members participated in the building of a Communications Tool list for ASIS&T SIG-DL members participated in the SIG Conference Calls. SIG-DL members assisted with developing SIG Training. Ekatarina Grguric and Alyson Gamble were selected as ASIS&T New Leaders. Ekatarina will be working with Yao Zhang, Chair-elect SIG III, and Alyson will be working with Rong Tang, Co-chair Publications Committee.

8. Please include any other comments you would like to make about your SIG's activities during the period.