European Student Chapter of asis&t

Welcome everybody!

This is the 9th edition of the ESC newsletter

A **variety** of **interesting topics** awaits you such as the introduction of our **new chapter advisor** Rebekah Wilson and the **presentation of the country representatives.**

This is followed by **experiences on different conferences** shared by Stefan Dreisiebner, Adrian Schmidt and Denise Ruhrberg. (see **"I was at"**).

The **miniBarcamp** is over with amazing memories. You can find a report about it (**"Report – miniBarcamp"**).

As always you get information about **conferences** and **an amazing announcement** (see **"Do not miss"** and **"Announcement"**).

There is also the idea to open a new category **"ESC – What's going on?"**. This is your chance! (see **"ESC – What's going on?"**).

To round off this year's event reporting – a short **report** on the ASIS&T Annual Meeting 2016 should not be missed.

You can't get enough and are thinking about a membership? (see **"Membership"**).

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Rebekah (Becky) Willson is a lecturer at the University of Strathclyde in the Department of Computer and Information Sciences. Having recently obtained her PhD from Charles Sturt University in Australia, she moved to Glasgow, UK to teach in the Information and Library Studies program. Her main area of research is in information behaviour, particularly the information behaviour of individuals undergoing transitions. Having been previously involved in ASIS&T with SIG USE (Information Needs, Seeking, and Use), she is now on ASIS&T's International Relations Committee, as well as the Presidential Initiative Task Force, dealing with internationalisation of ASIS&T.

Current Projects

Currently I am working on a new research project that looks at the information behaviour of academics who are working on short-term contracts. This research examines what impact the casualisation of the academic workforce has on what information academics need, how they find it, and how they use it, paying particular attention to the influence of social context.

Motivation moving to the UK/to Europe

I moved to Europe because of a job opportunity. Not only do I get to teach in the Information & Library Studies program at the University of Strathclyde, but I am also part of large research group in the department that focuses on information behaviour research. Working in Europe has given me the opportunity to teach library and information professionals (something I value as a former librarian), as well as to do the research I love.

Involvement with ASIS&T

I became involved in ASIS&T as a student, going to Annual Meetings. ASIS&T is one of the best places to showcase your research and network. When you're a student there are opportunities that are available for you. I decided to take advantage of the student conference rate and go to as many Annual Meetings as I could, as well as applying for student funding opportunities, such as the student travel award from my SIG. I also decided to try to get involved in whatever ways I could, as this is a great way to meet people. I went to the student receptions, I co-chaired the SIG USE Symposium, and reviewed papers for the Annual Meeting. This year I applied for and won the New Leaders Award, which paid for my conference registration, helped with travel costs, and paired me with a mentor, who is the current ASIS&T president. As part of my work as a New Leader and as an international member, I have joined the International Relations Committee. Now that I'm in Europe, I'm getting involved with the European Chapter, which is very active and won 2016 Chapter of the Year.

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Stefan Dreisiebner studied Business Education at the University of Graz, Austria and is currently working as University Assistant and PhD student at the Department of Information Science and Information Systems at the University of Graz. Besides his interest in electronic business models his research is focusing on Information Literacy. Currently he coordinates the project "Information Literacy Online - Developing Multilingual Open Educational Resources Reflecting Multicultural Aspects" funded by the European Union, with the aim to provide a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on information literacy in several languages.

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Tjaša Jug is a young researcher and a PhD student at the Faculty of Arts (Department of Library and Information Science and Book Studies) at the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia. Currently she is researching metadata on the book market and trying to determine the applicability of the FRBR model in this context. She is also interested in customer book reviews and their organization in online bookstores.

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Yosef Solomon is a doctoral student in the Department of Information Science at Bar-Ilan University, and a licensed lawyer (Israel) with rich professional experience in various legal positions in the public, private and civic sectors.

His research focuses on human information behavior, information in the legal profession, information discovery and serendipity. He also lectures in a variety of topics, ranging from legal information to info-serendipity. Yosef previously earned an LL.M (Laws) degree from Bar-Ilan University and both LL.B (Laws, Magna cum Laude) and B.A (Finance, Magna cum Laude) degrees from the College of Management.

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Christiane Behnert, M.A. is a research assistant and Ph.D. student at the Department of Information at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany. Her primary areas of research include relevance and relevance ranking in library information systems, information search behavior and interactive information retrieval. At the moment she is working on her doctoral project "Relevance Clues" which aims to determine the criteria by which users of academic search systems assess the relevance of search results. In order to do so, she will apply an experimental research design.She received her MA degree in Information Science in 2013 and her Diploma in Library Studies in 2009 from the University of Applied Sciences Potsdam, Germany. During her Master studies, she worked as a student assistant at the Berlin Social Science Center Library, where she found research data management to be the subject of her Master Thesis.
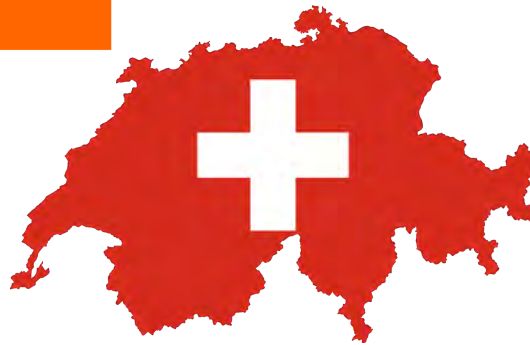
Before that, she worked as a librarian at the University Library Greifswald and helped to develop the Digital Library of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

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Fabian Odoni studied Information Science at the HTW Chur and graduated in 2015 with a Master of Science in Business Administration Major Information Science. Fabian has been employed as a research associate at the Swiss Institute for Information Science since 2013.

His main research interests lay in the fields of Collaborative Knowledge Management, Data Management, Natural Language Processing and Information Retrieval. He teaches Python and Semantic Technologies in the bachelor degree program at the HTW and maintains the video recording hardware used for streaming the lectures.

LIBRARIES IN THE DIGITAL AGE (LIDA) 2016 in Zadar Croatia

I AM:

Stefan Dreisiebner, PhD student and university assistant at the Institute of Information Science and Information Systems at the University of Graz, Austria.

MY RESEARCH INTERESTS ARE:

Electronic Business Models, E-Learning Technology (especially MOOCs) and Information Literacy.

I ATTENDED:

LIBRARIES IN THE DIGITAL AGE (LIDA) 2016 in ZADAR, CROATIA.

MY PRESENTATION WAS ABOUT:

A comparison of the level of Information Literacy (IL) of students at the different faculties of the University of Graz. For that we used a standardized questionnaire handed out in lectures for student beginners at all faculties. The results showed differences between the faculties, but also that the level is mediocre in general and students find themselves to be much more literate then they are in reality. Additionally, I did a presentation at the LIDA PhD forum.

MY FAVORITE SESSION WAS:

The PhD forum, as it was inspiring to see what students all over the world are working on and how passionate they are about their topics.

I REALLY LIKED:

The conference was very well organized and also a lot of international scholars were present. The atmosphere at the main building of the University of Zadar - which is directly situated by the sea in the old town - is really stunning.

MY RECOMMENDATION FOR OTHER STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SAME CONFERENCE IS:

Try to attend the whole conference, as the wide variety of topics is really worth it. If you are working on a PhD take the opportunity to submit your work to the PhD forum to get the opportunity to get feedback from international senior scholars.

7th student workshop for Information Science Research 2016 (SwiF 2016)

I AM:

Adrian Schmidt, Bachelor Student of Information Science at the Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf, Germany.

MY RESEARCH INTERESTS ARE:

E-Commerce, Information Markets, Usability and User Studies.

I ATTENDED AT:

The 7th student workshop for Information Science Research (SwiF) 2016 in Kiel, Germany.

MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE CONFERENCE WAS ABOUT:

I presented findings on how video game players' perception of a realistically designed video game's sense of realism, believability and immersion into its world compares to the same attributes of a fantastically designed video game when exposed to the same in-game advertising measures.

MY FAVORITE SESSION WAS:

All of the other student's presentations, as I enjoyed learning about each university's focus of study.

I LEARNED:

The fact that information science is very versatile and relevant. Therefore it should be supported in the future.

I REALLY LIKED:

Meeting other students and being able to somewhat represent Düsseldorf at the same time, while feeling like I'm part of a much bigger picture than I initially thought.

MY RECOMMENDATION FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SAME CONFERENCE IS:

Let others know your passion for your studies and be open minded. You never know if you will be inspired for your future work.

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The 3rd Conference on Marketing and Internet Economy (MIE2016)

I AM:

Denise Ruhrberg, I am a master student of Information Science at Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany.

MY RESEARCH INTERESTS ARE:

Social Network Services and Search Engines.

I ATTENDED:

The 3rd Conference of Marketing and Internet Economy (MIE2016) in Sanya, China.
The conference was accompanied by other conferences on different topics (e.g. Project and Quality Management and Data, Information and Knowledge Management).

MY PRESENTATION WAS ABOUT:

The impact of adverts in social media and search-engines on their users. Here, inter-generational and gender-dependent differences in user acceptance of personalized and context-specific advertising on the example of Facebook Ads and Google AdWords were highlighted.

I LEARNED:

A lot about very interesting latest research results in different disciplines, but also advanced research methods in Marketing and Internet Economy.

I REALLY LIKED:

The warm atmosphere at the conference. All session attendees were supporting my research interest and were interested in the foci of my institute.

MY RECOMMENDATION FOR OTHER STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SAME CONFERENCE IS:

Use the chance to share with researchers of your own, but also other disciplines and try to keep in touch after the conference e.g. via e-mail. The conference was an important platform for inspiring international and interdisciplinary exchange.

Report
miniBARcamp 16th of October @Copenhagen Crown Plaza

We invited ASIS&T members and people from Copenhagen to join us for an informal get-together in Copenhagen one evening before ASIS&T AM 2016. Doing so, we sent invitation letters to professors, students, and practitioners from the Information Science field in Copenhagen and to all colleagues from ASIS&T in advance.

Our approach was to encourage people to get in touch with others that are interested in the same topics – members and non-members of the ASIS&T community. Thus, everybody who participated was invited to bring own ideas and topics to be discussed. We started with the first topic represented by Tjaša Jug with her award winning video about "book metadata and readers". The audience started to discuss with Tjaša her video presentation and this topic served as a first "topic table".

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In the following we invited the audience to suggest further topics. Finally, five topic tables were generated at which the miniBARcamp guests met and started to talk about their background, their research, and exchanged their ideas.

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As a further special guest Greg Welch (Keynote speaker @ASIS&T AM 2016) joined the event with the topic "virtual reality".

The event was a big success hence many ASIS&T members took the chance to join us for a joyful informal get-together prior to the Annual Meeting. We thank Tjaša and all other guests of the first ASIS&T miniBARcamp for the nice evening and are very glad that the ASIS&T president Nadia Caidi and president elect Lynn Connaway took the time to meet us.

The miniBARcamp was an attempt to represent the ASIS&T community in Copenhagen and to invite people who are not yet in our community. We would love to see continuing the miniBARcamp in the following years to promote the community of ASIS&T at the city where the Annual Meeting is held. Thus, we are looking forward to meet next year with professors, students, and practitioners in Washington, D.C. for a joyful miniBARcamp one evening before the 80th Annual Meeting of ASIS&T.

Jefferson Memorial, Washington D.C.

Do not miss

15th International Symposium of Information Science
13-15 March 2017 – Berlin, Germany

Submission Deadline:
Only Student Session extended till December 22, 2016 (rest out of date)

Conference theme:
Everything changes, everything stays the same? –
Understanding Information Spaces

IEEE Eleventh International Conference on Research Challenges
in Information Science
10-12 May 2017 – Brighton, United Kingdom

Submission Deadline: January 31, 2017

Special topic:
Security and Privacy for Information Science

Do not miss

45th Annual Conference of the Canadian Association of Information Science
31 May - 2 June, 2017 – Toronto, Ontario

Submission Deadline: January 27, 2017

Conference theme:
The Warp & Weft of Knowledge: Information Threads Connecting Disciplines, Identities and Perspectives

LIS2017 International Conference on Library and Information Science
23-25 August 2017 – Sapporo, Japan

Submission Deadline: April 15, 2017

Conference theme/special topic: –

16th International Society of Scientometrics and Informetrics
16-20 October 2017 – Wuhan, China

Submission Deadline: April 10, 2017

Conference theme/special topic: –

80th Annual Meeting of the Association for Information
Science and Technology
27 October - 1 November 2017 –
Washington D.C. (Crystal City, Virginia), USA

Submission Deadline: April 16, 2017

Conference theme:
Diversity of Engagement: Connecting People and
Information in the Physical and Virtual Worlds

Call for doctoral Candidates

DINI (Deutsche Initiative für Netzwerkinformation) awarded a PhD position for an exciting PhD opportunity in altmetrics:

DINI / Projekte / *metrics

*metrics

*metrics – Measuring The Reliability and perceptions of Indicators for interactions with sCientific productS

Mit den neuen Publikationswegen und –formen ergeben sich erweiterte Möglichkeiten und Notwendigkeiten die Wirkung und Relevanz von wissenschaftlichen Ergebnissen zu messen. Neben Zitationen und Nutzungsstatistiken bieten sich hierfür insbesondere Social-Media-Plattformen als Basis an, da diese gleichzeitig die Publikation sowie Mechanismen der Bewertung bereitstellen. Solche Social-Media-basierten Metriken („altmetrics", „social media metrics") treten als Alternative oder Ergänzung neben die klassischen oftmals zitationsbasierten Indikatoren (H-Index, Impact Factor u.a.).

In diesem Kontext widmet sich das Projekt *metrics der Evaluierung alternativer Metriken für die Vermessung wissenschaftlicher Kommunikation und Leistung. Ein Schwerpunkt liegt auf der Erforschung und Bewertung von Social Media Daten als Basis neuer Kennwerte für wissenschaftlichen Output.

Insbesondere befasst sich das Projekt mit der Frage, welche Aussagekraft alternative Metriken und Indikatoren haben und wie diese von den Nutzern interpretiert werden (insbes. Zitationen, Nutzungsstatistiken, Social Media Metriken). Dies zielt darauf, die Verlässlichkeit und die

Curious?

ESC – What's going on?

Contribute!

Do you have an **interesting research project** you are working on or which is recently published? And would you like to introduce it to our members or want to ask for some help?

Welcome, you are exactly right here!

You are more the "**reader's letter** type" and would like to address or discuss a particular topic?

Welcome, you are exactly right here too!

You can do this in a small contribution for our new section **ESC – *What's going on?*** which will be published in our newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you. Contributions can be submitted under the following e-mail: asistescvideo@gmail.com

Arriving at Copenhagen – Exploring the City

Being held in Europe for the first time, this year's Annual Meeting was something special for the ESC. Not only because of the miniBARcamp organized by the board members, we were looking forward to an exciting time in Copenhagen. Isabelle, Agnes and Christine were the lucky ones attending the meeting.

Tourist Tour: Christiansborg in Copenhagen

Together with Tamara, from the European Chapter, we arrived in Denmark on Friday, the 14th, having some time to explore the city previous to the beginning of the AM. We also met Tjaša, the winner of our Movie Meets Science Contest and special guest for our miniBARcamp. Together we visited some tourist attractions like Christiansborg.

The next stop of our tour was the Royal Library of Copenhagen which is a combination of the National Library of Denmark and the Copenhagen University Library. Being the largest library in the Nordic Countries, the building is a fusion of a historic part from 1906 and a modern building from 1999, called the Black Diamond.

The historic and the modern part of the Royal Library of Copenhagen

The Official Start of ASIS&T Annual Meeting 2016

For the ESC, the Annual Meeting kick-off happened Saturday evening with the opening of our **miniBARcamp**. Beside the presentation of the winning video of the Movie Meets Science Contest from Tjaša, an open discussion aimed at bringing together students and researcher from all over the world. We had an interesting time with inspired discussions and great guests. The next day, Sunday the 16th, was the official start of the conference.

Chapter Awards in the Chapter Assembly (photo by ASIS&T)

Walter Castelnovo and Agnes during their Smart City Panel

Our first meeting was the Chapter Assembly which brought out a little surprise in form of an award for our chapter: We won the 3rd place in the Student Membership Award! What a promising start for the day – and we were not disappointed. After the Plenary session by Greg Welch, a panel with ESC involvement under the topic "Open Innovation in Smart Cities: Civic Participation and Co-creation of Public Services" took place. Agnes, her advisor Wolfgang Stock from Duesseldorf and Walter Castelnovo from Milan discussed actual developments in co-creation of public services and the role of information science within it. An important finding of Agnes was that open space is one of the key factors in a modern library. After the panel, we took part in the Leadership Program held by Ixchel Faniel on the topic "Building and Cultivating your Mentoring Network". In small groups we discussed the role of mentors at our institution. The day ended with the SIG RUSH and the student reception, a nice possibility to get to know the ASIS&T Special Interest Groups respectively other students in an informal way.

The Next Days – European Chapter Table, Diversity Lunch, and Many More

The following days also provided a good possibility for networking, interesting discussions and presenting the European (Student) Chapter. Just to mention a few examples, we represented the ASIS&T community in Europe at the European Chapter Table, had an active exchange of ideas on diversity with Toni Carbo respectively Nadia Caidi at the Diversity and Inclusion Luncheon and contributed to the International Reception with a present basket from Düsseldorf. In the Poster Session Agnes and Isabella Peters stated the importance of Information Science by summarizing the topics that were mentioned in the protest against the forthcoming closing of the Department for Information Science at the University of Duesseldorf. As another important social event the Annual Awards Lunch was an excellent possibility to get to know the ASIS&T community accompanied by delicious food. For many participant this was not only the last social event but also the time to say goodbye to the first Annual Meeting held in Europe.

Left: Agnes, Isabella and Christine at the European Chapter Table, right: Isabella and Agnes during the Poster Session (photo by ASIS&T)

Why you should attend the ASIS&T Annual Meeting

The European Student Chapter enjoyed the time in Copenhagen. Beside interesting panels and discussions, the Annual Meeting is always a possibility to meet important people in the ASIS&T community and to expand your network during many social events. There are also possibilities to facilitate the attendance for students. Tjaša e.g. won a trip to Copenhagen via the Movie Meets Science Contest sponsored by a joined program of the European Student Chapter and the European Chapter. Other programs, like the New Leader Award further support students financially if they are active ASIS&T members. During the conference there are a lot of (social) events for students, e.g. the Student Reception or the Student Design Competition and the Doctoral Seminar.

Thus, come and join this awesome community next year in Washington, D.C.!

New Member and First Conference Lunch

Saying goodbye to Copenhagen

What are you waiting for?
Meet new, interesting and cool students and researchers all over the world.

ASIS&T

includes 20 Special Interest Groups (SIG) and 21 Chapters as well as 36 Student Chapters which facilitate the exchange of people with similar interests.

The **European Student Chapter** is the little sibling of the European Chapter and offers you the opportunity to take part in a variety of free webinars as well as competitions and helps you to step into an international connected scientific community.

Benefits:

• get the opportunity to connect with information professionals

• be up to date with new developments in information science

• free access:

    - to amazing and interesting webinars

    - to the bulletin of the American Society for Information Science & Technology (Bulletin)

    - to the online version of the Journal of the Association for Information Science and

Technology (JASIS&T)

• meet other european students

• join conferences (reduces prices)

• participate in the new leaders award, which offers you free confereces for two years

  as well as travel allowance

It sounds cool? It is.
Engage in the European Student Chapter!

Become a Member

See you next time!

We wish you a good start into the new year!

Write something

Thanks to all who have sent us any kind of content for this ESC newsletter. If you have a report, event hint, news or other interesting things which you would like to share in the next newsletter, please send an email to asistescvideo@gmail.com or to the editors:

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The **next newsletter** will be published in **summer 2017**.

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