

SIG ANNUAL ACTIVITIES REPORT  
and SIG-OF-THE-YEAR CRITERIA AND CHECKLIST

Please use this form and checklist to file your SIG Activities Report and to apply for SIG-of-the-Year. SIGs wishing to be considered for SIG of the Year and/or requesting funds rollover must submit this form by August 15th; all other SIGs must submit by September 15th.

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SIG NAME (and acronym): \_\_SIG-DL\_\_\_\_\_

REPORT SUBMITTED BY (name): \_Barrie Hayes\_\_\_\_\_ (office) \_Chair\_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVITY PERIOD: August 1, 2009 – August 1, 2010

CURRENT OFFICERS:

Chair (required): \_\_Barrie Hayes\_\_\_\_\_

Other Officers: \_\_Chair-Elect: June Abbas; Communications: Ali Shiri; Treasurer: Susan W. Parham; Membership: Anne Diekema; Webmaster: Fatih Oguz; Past Chair: Miguel Ruiz\_\_

Do you wish to be considered for SIG of the Year?  Yes  No

1. Did your SIG hold a planning meeting at the last annual meeting?  Yes  No

2. Who represented your SIG at the SIG Cabinet meeting at the last ASIS&T annual meeting?

Name \_Miguel Ruiz\_\_\_\_\_ Office Outgoing Chair\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_Barrie Hayes\_\_\_\_\_ Office Incoming Chair\_\_\_\_\_

Name June Abbas\_\_\_\_\_ Office: Incoming Chair Elect\_\_\_\_\_

3. Who attended the All-SIGs Planning Lunch at the last ASIS&T annual meeting?

Name \_Barrie Hayes\_\_\_\_\_ Office \_Incoming Chair\_\_\_\_\_

4. Please list the names of new leaders in your SIG who may be interested in getting involved in other areas of ASIS&T:

Barrie Hayes

Susan Parham

Anne Diekema

June Abbas

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

- Officers sent personal follow-up email invitations to all 2009 SIG-DL Business Meeting attendees to encourage them to participate in our 2010 program planning meetings. A wider email invitation was also sent to the SIG-DL listserv. These meetings were held approximately monthly via Skype beginning in February 2010. Three of the individuals who attended the 2009 Business Meeting participated in one or more of the program planning meetings and in developing program proposals for 2010.
- Officers emailed an open call for SIG-DL sponsored program proposals to the SIG-DL and ASIST-L listservs.
- In addition to the SIG-DL listserv, officers utilized the SIG-DL Facebook and LinkedIn pages to share program and other announcements with the individuals who joined these groups. A significant number of the members of the SIG-DL Facebook and LinkedIn groups were neither on the SIG-DL listserv nor the official SIG-DL roster of members, so these efforts extended our communications to additional potential members.

6. What programs, including those presented at ASIST Annual, did your SIG sponsor or cosponsor during the activity period? (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 organizations or ASIS&T units, if applicable.

- Monthly, open ASIST/SIG-DL 2010 annual meeting program planning meetings via Skype. SIGDL officers and other participating SIG members. Monthly, February 2010 through August 2010.
- 2009 ASIST Annual Meeting Programs, Vancouver, BC, November 6-12, 2010

#### SIG-DL Sponsored Programs

1. *Asking Difficult Questions about Institutional Repositories: Factors for Success and New Directions for Development and Research*, Moderator: June Abbas; Speakers: Catherine Mitchell, Carole Palmer and Soo Young Rieh, 11/8/2009. This panel explored the reasons why IRs are either successful or fail to meet the goals of the institution. The time has come to ask some difficult questions about the real feasibility and usefulness of IRs to both the institution and also to the scholarly community. Estimated attendees: 40
2. *Digital Libraries for Biodiversity and Natural History Collections*, Speakers: Miguel E. Ruiz, Jacob Kramer-Duffield, Jane Greenberg, Nathan Hall, 11/9/2010. Panel presented

an overview of the state of the art in the creation of digital repositories for natural history collections. Estimated attendees: 42

3. *Multiple Facets of Personalization*, Speakers: Jacek Gwizdka, Luanne Freund, Susan Gauch, Susan Dumais; Moderator: Nicholas Belkin, 11/10/2009. Panel addressed the issue of personalization of interaction with information within a DL, by considering a small number of facets of personalization that either have been shown or are predicted to affect or influence information seeking behavior. Estimated attendees: 47
4. *Shared Personal Space: Meeting the Needs of Multiple Users and Multiple Purposes*, Speakers: Deborah Barreau, Jaime Teevan, Andrea Japzon, Kristina Spurgin, 11/11/2009. This panel explored both the benefits and challenges of shared workspace. Estimated attendees: Not reported

#### SIG-DL Co-Sponsored Programs

5. *DataONE: Protecting the Future of Environmental and Ecological Data*, with STI and KM; Speakers: Suzie Allard, Patricia Cruse, Robert Sandusky, Carol Tenopir, 11/10/2009. This panel discussed the role of librarians and information scientists in DataONE (Observation Network for Earth), a cyberinfrastructure project that supports the full data lifecycle for scientists in the diverse domains that are embodied in environmental and ecological science. Estimated attendees: 23
  6. *International Implementation of Digital Library Software/Platforms*, with III, Speakers: Fatih Oguz, Yasar Tonta, EunKyung Chung, Ina Smith, Krystyna Matusiak, 11/11/2009. Panel provided an overview of adoption and implementation of digital library software/platforms and standards with an international perspective. Decision factors in adoption of particular software/platform and standards were reviewed. Impact of organizational, social, legal, and cultural factors were highlighted. Estimated attendees: 22
- At the 2009 Annual Meeting, officers implemented an assessment of SIG-DL-sponsored sessions. At least one officer attended each session and recorded attendance numbers and interest. Particular attention was paid to session discussions, as potential starting points for 2010 Annual Meeting session topics.
  - SIG-DL submitted three proposals for the 2010 ASIS&T Annual Meeting program, two panel proposals and one workshop proposal. Two of these proposals were accepted:
    - A proposal for a research data assessment workshop was accepted without reservation and received very positive comments from reviewers on its organization and perceived relevance to the membership. This workshop aligns with the ASIS&T goal of developing a more diverse and engaging conference program for its members.
    - An institutional repository panel proposal was also accepted.

7. 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 had no formal publications during the activity period.

8. 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.).

- In fall 2009, SIG-DL officers worked with a contract graphics professional to redesign the SIG logo. The new logo was used for SIG "tags" and added to the SIG's website and new Facebook and LinkedIn pages (established in 2009).



- Also in fall 2009, prior to the Annual Meeting, SIG-DL held their 2010 officer elections online and in advance of the annual meeting for the first time, utilizing Survey Monkey. By conducting officer elections in this manner, we greatly increased election participation from SIG members. As reported by 2009 SIG-DL Chair, Miguel Ruiz, in the 2009 SIG-DL elections report, "Forty-five (45) members cast their votes between September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 13<sup>th</sup> which represents a 14.4% level of participation. Given that previous elections have always been conducted at the Annual meeting with a very limited number of attendees, this is probably the largest participation that we have had in the history of SIGDL."
- SIG-DL utilized social networking tools to share information and extend the reach of conference activities during the 2009 annual meeting:
  - Officers used a SIG-DL Twitter account and the [#asist09](#) hashtag to publicize the SIG business meeting and conference sessions, and to comment on SIG-sponsored program content to conference attendees following conference tweets.
  - Officers photographed our sponsored sessions, events, and posters presented by SIG members and posting them on our group FaceBook page.
  - One of the SIG-DL co-sponsored panels was co-streamed and attended by two participants via Second Life.

- SIG-DL has allocated funds from its budget to contribute \$200 toward travel expenses of non-member speakers for its accepted programs. Additionally, the accepted research data assessment workshop will cover its own costs through workshop registration fees.

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

As mentioned previously, in 2009 SIG-DL officers implemented an assessment of SIG-sponsored session programs to determine their success and to inform program planning for the future. We plan to utilize this process again at the 2010 AM.

We have also conducted a comparison of our various member lists: the official roster of SIG members, the SIG-DL listserv, our Facebook group, and our LinkedIn group. As mentioned, these four lists are significantly different from each other. We realize that there is great potential for growing membership with these lists, but have not yet determined the best way to utilize this information.