

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 8:30-10 A.M.

Emerging Models for Partnerships among Depository Libraries

Learn about how depository libraries are partnering to preserve and enhance access to depository library collections. Specific models to be addressed are the proposed Southeast Region guidelines for management and disposition of Federal depository collections from the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL), the Google digitization project from the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC), and the cooperative projects of the 5 Colleges of Ohio.

Panelists

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Proposed Southeast Region Guidelines For Management And Disposition Of Federal Depository Library Collections

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The Documents Departments of the Five Colleges of Ohio have a long and largely successful history of cooperation. This presentation will include a brief history of our cooperative efforts both successful and unsuccessful, an update on current projects, and some suggestions on simple cooperative projects that can help to begin building the trust that is the necessary basis for larger endeavors.

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The libraries of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) universities are partnering with Google to digitize a comprehensive collection of U.S. Federal Documents. It is believed this collection will comprise between 1 and 1.5 million volumes. Digital facsimiles of successfully scanned Federal Documents from CIC institutions will be accessible through Google Book Search, with copies also being returned to the [HathiTrust Digital Repository](#), where public domain material can be universally accessed.

This project is part of an overarching CIC Library Director-led initiative to assess the opportunities HathiTrust might provide for more cost-effective management of less frequently used print resources. With three CIC universities designated as comprehensive Regional Depositories for print documents (Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin), it is anticipated the Selective Depositories might be in a position to make coordinated decisions about print retention. The U.S. Federal Documents collection is one of several categories of material where our libraries believe they can achieve efficiencies by better managing the relationship between digital and print resources, with assurances that an adequate number of print copies are available for future use.

CIC Member Universities are:

University of Chicago	University of Michigan	Ohio State University
University of Illinois	Michigan State University	Pennsylvania State University
Indiana University	University of Minnesota	Purdue University
University of Iowa	Northwestern University	University of Wisconsin-Madison

Additional documentation is available at:

<http://www.cic.net/Home/Projects/Library/BookSearch/GovDocs.aspx>



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PROPOSED SOUTHEAST REGION GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSITION OF FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

DISCUSSION DRAFT APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, APRIL 22, 2010

This is a time of significant change for libraries that participate in the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). In response to this environment, ASERL established the ASERL Deans' FDLP Task Force to develop "Proposed Southeast Region Guidelines for Management and Disposition of Federal Depository Library Collections."

These proposed guidelines were drafted as a means of starting a dialogue between library deans and directors, documents librarians and others about how to effectively manage the extant FDLP collections as a regional asset. The document proposes options for standardizing and simplifying the FDLP collection management processes within our region.

Highlights of the proposal:

- A brief overview of the law governing aspects of the FDLP program, specifically focusing on **requirements for managing FDLP collections**;
- A recommendation to expand ASERL's "center of excellence" model to **build two comprehensive-as-possible, cataloged FDLP print collections** held collaboratively across FDLP libraries in the Southeast; and
- Proposing **new, standardized processes for managing the disposition of FDLP documents within the Region** to reduce workload, balanced against a more robust acquisitions process that emphasizes established local collection development needs.

It must be emphasized that this proposal does not imply that there will be only two Regional Depository Libraries in the Southeast Region. Rather, it means that among the twelve Regional Depository Libraries in the southeast there will be collaboration to take responsibility for cataloging a portion of the collection and for retrospectively acquiring the items necessary to make that portion as complete as possible within the limitations of available content and resources. Responsibility for

portions of these comprehensive collections may be shared by Selective Depository Libraries in the southeast.

Next Steps

On April 22, 2010, the Discussion Draft was reviewed and the proposal was adopted unanimously by ASERL library deans and directors at the ASERL Spring Membership Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. The document is being released to Federal Depository Libraries in the Southeast Region, as well as others with an interest in the FDLP and public access to government information, in order to obtain their comments and suggestions.

The Discussion Draft is available at <http://www.aserl.org/>, along with this Executive Summary.

Questions/Feedback

The members of the ASERL Dean's FDLP Task Force are:

- Judy Russell, University of Florida (Chair)
- Larry Boyer, East Carolina University
- Bonnie MacEwan, Auburn University
- Sarah Michalak, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- William Potter, University of Georgia
- Lance Query, Tulane University
- Julia Rholes, University of Mississippi

Questions about the attached Discussion Draft can be sent to Judy Russell (jcrussell@ufl.edu) or to any member of the Task Force.

ASERL has created an online survey form as one means of receiving input on this proposal from library deans and directors, documents librarians, and other interested persons. This survey will be available at <http://tinyurl.com/aserl-fdlp-2010> until Friday, July 30, 2010. The survey seeks input on the proposal section-by-section; it is recommended that respondents have the proposal available when completing the survey in order to provide meaningful and constructive feedback.