UK LOCKSS Alliance Roundup

Today's scholarly content, secured for tomorrow

The UK LOCKSS Alliance is a co-operative organisation whose goal is to ensure continuing access to scholarly work in ways that are sustainable over the long term.

News and Events

Adam Rusbridge will be discussing the role of the UK LOCKSS Alliance at the Digital Preservation Coalition event on 'Trust and e-Journals' ,held on the 31st January 2012 at the Wellcome Trust in London.

System Development

We're very pleased to announce milestone achievements towards the integration of LOCKSS with Link Resolver software. Ex Libris announced in early January the January SFX4 Revision, containing a new "LOCKSS target". In November 2011, Serials Solutions included a new "LOCKSS database" in their 360Link product. LOCKSS Daemon 1.53 is scheduled for release in early February and will include improvements to support resolution below title level, namely to volume and issue. We are also working on documentation to guide members through the integration process. We advise members to wait for further integration guidance and look forward to supporting you through this process.

Content Development

The Keepers Registry has been updated with current information on the journal titles and volumes available in the Global LOCKSS Network.

EDINA development staff have now completed new software to produce comprehensive infor-mation on the journal titles and volumes preserved in LOCKSS. This software is being tested by the Stanford LOCKSS team and integrated into routine workflows. The expanded list clarifies the position of each title in the LOCKSS preservation workflow. It is now possible to identify the titles and volumes that are 'Committed', 'In Progress' and 'Preserved'.

Related Activity

UKLA Members may find it useful to see how other institutions are assessing their local preservation activities. In 2011, Cornell University Library & Columbia University Library undertook a joint project to assess their deployment of LOCKSS. The Final Report of the 2CUL LOCKSS Assessment Team was released in October 2011 at http://2cul.org/node/22

David Rosenthal, Chief Scientist for LOCKSS, discusses problems with the current research communication system at http://blog.dshr.org/2011/09/whats-wrong-with-research-communication.html

Philip Adams, Senior Assistant Librarian at De Montfort University, regularly blogs about LOCKSS. Most recently he wrote about his experiences of carrying out a 'stock check' of the content preserved in LOCKSS at DMU: http://fulup.our.dmu.ac.uk/2012/01/06/stock-checking-lockss-archival-units/. Philip has also created a Digitalpreservation Daily http://paper.li/Fulup/digitalpreservation, which rounds up relevant news items discovered via Twitter.

The MetaArchive Cooperative (www.metaarchive.org) is investigating preservation and curation needs for two prominent genres of content of significance to academic libraries in both the U.S. and abroad: digital newspapers (both digitized and born-digital) and electronic theses & dissertations (ETDs). More details and on-going updates can be found at the following websites: Chronicles in Preservation Project (www.metaarchive.org/neh) and Lifecycle Management of ETDs Project (www.metaarchive.org/imls).

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