



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 discussed the UKLA at the Digital Preservation Coalition event on 'Trust and e-Journals' held on the 30th January 2012 at the Wellcome Trust in London. Slides are available on the UK LOCKSS Alliance website. Also attending, Victoria Reich and David Rosenthal contributed to the discussions about the distinction between post-cancellation access and preservation, and the shift towards dynamic content in e-journals. Unedited notes from the day are available online at <http://etherpad.wikimedia.org/dpcejtrust>

EDINA is hosting a drinks and canapé reception at this year's UKSG conference, at 5pm on Tuesday 27th March. All UK LOCKSS Alliance members are welcome. The event will be used to brief attendees on recent developments in the UK LOCKSS Alliance and the Keepers Registry.

Content Development

An improved list of the journal titles and volumes preserved in LOCKSS is now available on the LOCKSS website at http://lockss.org/lockss/Publishers_and_Titles.

The report lists all e-journal titles that are committed to the Global LOCKSS Network. The "Preserved" columns list the volumes that have been preserved in the Global LOCKSS Network. The "In Progress" columns list the volumes that publishers have given explicit permission to preserve and that are in-line to be processed and preserved. We also report on those publishers that have committed their content but have not yet made available explicit permission statements; these titles are listed without an entry in either the "Preserved" or "In Progress" columns.

The Stanford Content Testing team are developing new procedures to support content releases. The goal is to simplify the release process and make it easier for the team to release content on a regular basis.

Related Activity

Readers may be interested in a paper on the role of RDFa as an interoperability layer between repository software and LOCKSS (<http://ceur-ws.org/Vol-801/paper14.pdf>). The research and development was carried out as part of the LuKII project (LOCKSS und KOPAL Infrastruktur und Interoperabilität) in Germany (<http://www.lukii.hu-berlin.de/>)

David Rosenthal delivered a seminar to staff at the University of Manchester on the 30th January 2012. The talk introduced work in progress on an economic model of long-term digital storage aimed at answering questions like "how much will it cost to store this data forever?", "is cloud storage cost-effective?", "what is the effect of short spikes in disk costs?" and "can flash memory compete with disk for long-term storage?"

System Development

LOCKSS Daemon 1.53 was released in early February: see the release notes at http://lockss.org/lockss/Daemon_release_notes. The release included functionality to support OpenURL resolution below title level, namely to volume and issue. The Title List can be filtered to show only the titles and volume ranges of AUs that have actually been collected by the box.

Some sites are now starting to integrate LOCKSS with Ex Libris' SFX and Serials Solutions 360Link. Phil Adams at De Montfort University has described his early experience at <http://fulup.our.dmu.ac.uk/>. If your institution has been conducting early tests and would like to share your own experience, please contact us below and responses will be collated. For other institutions, we are working on documentation to guide members through the integration process.

Ex Libris have now formally announced the integration of LOCKSS and SFX: <http://bit.ly/xy5GV5>

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