UK LOCKSS Alliance Roundup

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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

A UK LOCKSS Alliance Member's Meeting was held on 24th May 2012. Slides and a summary report from the event are now available on the UK LOCKSS Alliance website at http://bit.ly/k1lf1V

The LOCKSS program at Stanford has been awarded an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant. The two-year funding will enable the LOCKSS team at Stanford to develop technologies for gathering and collecting dynamic Web 2.0 content. For more information please see http://bit.ly/JjYhgt

The UKLA have been developing a set of personas to describe the background, aims and roles of institutional staff working with the LOCKSS system. We wish to ensure that the characteristics of current institutional deployments of LOCKSS are reflected in the personas and so have requested member input and comment. For further information see http://bit.ly/NyV7qv

System Development

In preparation for user interface enhancements, a draft requirements document is now available on the UKLA blog. This describes the different types of users of LOCKSS, common use cases encountered, the main features identified for implementation in the LOCKSS interface, and the work packages which will be undertaken. See http://bit.ly/JadwGi

Content Development

Since the last UKLA roundup, 2,871 additional archival units (volumes) were made available for preservation (with content from 17 new publishers and 199 new titles). Please see the content release emails for details.

For future content release emails the Stanford team are planning to include a spreadsheet listing the volumes made available for preservation. This is in response to UK requests and will support institutional workflows for tracking content of interest.

Related Activity

The 2nd LIBER International Workshop on Digital Preservation, titled "Partnerships in curating European digital resources" was held in Florence in early May (see http://bit.ly/y1Pwsk for details). Gianluca D'Amato, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, and Tommaso Giordano, European University Institute delivered a presentation on the use of LOCKSS and CLOCKSS in Italian libraries, online at http://bit.ly/KJLC8N.

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This roundup contains a mixture of development updates and community-sourced news. If you have any queries or suggestions for future content please email: edina@ed.ac.uk

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