WG report at the CIDOC Annual General Meeting 2012

Over the past year work of the Data Harvesting and Interchange Working Group has been focused on disseminating information about LIDO. We run various workshops, and extended the network and the practical implementation of LIDO. Together with the relaunch of the CIDOC website, the WG has created within this website an extended section for the WG, with further material about LIDO.

Activities are ongoing in various European countries as well as the U.S. LIDO is being used in six EU-funded projects as main delivery format for museum content to Europeana. In this context a LIDO event type terminology is being developed and translated into 18 European languages. This work is supported by the WG, and once it is finished the terminology will be adopted as a WG recommendation with assigned URIs in the LIDO namespace.
Based on this event type terminology , a role actor terminology – based on existing sources like ULAN and MARC relators – is being included as well. These terminologies are crucial for a full representation of the LIDO schema in RDF.
Also an open source solution to expose LIDO metadata through OAI has been developed at the YCBA and is available through the LIDO website.

This year's WG meetings took place this past Saturday, June 9th, as a full day meeting prior to the conference with 9 WG members attending. We had a second meeting on Monday 11th with 13 participants.

A main topic was the exchange of experiences with implementing LIDO in various projects, we had presentations from five WG members. We then discussed the already mentioned terminologies, as well as mapping issues. As a priority the WG will provide example data from different collections in LIDO on the website in order to illustrate the various mapping questions.

Many thanks, also on behalf of my co-chair of the WG, Erin Coburn, to all the participants for their support and contributions to the WG.

Erin Coburn and Regine Stein

A specific mention is worthwhile a cooperation the WG is planning with ICOM's international committee for musical instruments CIMCIM. CIMCIM will extend on an online database of musical instrument museums that has been created within an EU-funded project, using LIDO as aggregation model.

Saturday:

David, Emmanuelle, Robb, Richard, Norbert, Regine, Riitta, Mika, Don.