LIT Library: Going BEYOND THE CLOUD

LIT Library will host the forthcoming International Symposium on Information Management in a Changing World (IMCW 2013), in the Strand Hotel, Limerick September 4-6th 2013. This is the first time that the Symposium will be held outside of Turkey where it has been running with great success for the past number of years. “Beyond the Cloud: Information…Innovation…Collaboration”, being the main theme of the Symposium, IMCW2013 aims to bring together information professionals, computer and information scientists, business people and engineers to discuss the implications of cloud computing on information management and to contemplate on how to design and develop innovative and collaborative information services beyond the cloud.

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Clifford Lynch, Executive Director of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), will be the keynote speaker for IMCW 2013. Dr. Lynch’s keynote address will be centred on the main theme of the symposium, “Beyond the Cloud: Information…Innovation…Collaboration”. He will address the opportunities and challenges introduced by cloud computing, discuss its implications on information management and contemplate on how to design and develop innovative and collaborative information services beyond the cloud.

Dr. Clifford Lynch has been the Executive Director of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), a 200-member organization concerned with the use of information technology and networked information to enhance scholarship and intellectual productivity that is jointly sponsored by the Association of Research Libraries and EDUCAUSE, since July 1997. Prior to joining CNI, Dr. Lynch spent 18 years at the University of California Office of the President, the last ten as Director of Library Automation. Dr. Lynch, who holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of California, Berkeley, is an adjunct professor at Berkeley’s School of Information. He is a past president of the American Society for Information Science and a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and the National Information Standards Organization (NISO).

For further information on IMCW 2013 please see the Symposium website at http://imcw2013.bilgiyonetimi.net or contact:: Jerald Cavanagh, Institute Librarian, Limerick Institute of Technology Jerald.Cavanagh@lit.ie Padraig Kirby, Senior Library Assistant, Limerick Institute of Technology Padraig.Kirby@lit.ie
Visit of Tajikistan National Tempus Officer.

LIT Library were delighted to host the visit of Ms Czarina Nuridinova from the National Tempus Office in the Ministry of Agriculture, Dushanbe, Tajikistan at 3PM Monday the 10th of September in LIT Library Moylish. Ms. Nuridinova was on a visit to Ireland to meet with Irish Higher Education Institution’s with an interest in Tempus and to learn more about Tempus in Ireland, how it operates, our general views on the programme and the areas that interest us. Ms. Nuridinova was accompanied by Mr Gerry O Sullivan who is Head of European Programmes with the HEA in Dublin.

Tempus is the European Union’s programme which supports the modernisation of higher education in the Partner Countries of Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the Western Balkans and the Mediterranean region, mainly through university cooperation projects. LIT through LIT Library are the first Irish institution to lead a Tempus project in the history of the Tempus programme which has been running since 1990, which is also the largest project ever approved for a Library and Information Science project, with funds of €1.2m being allocated. LIT Library also have the privilege of leading the first project dealing with Information Literacy in the history of the Tempus programme. The project Developing information literacy for lifelong learning and knowledge economy in Western Balkan countries (RINGIDEA) involves 12 other higher education institutions in Romania, Greece, United Kingdom, Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro & Kosovo under UNSC Resolution 1244/99.

LIT Library are also a partner in an exciting new Tempus project called ASPIRE which aims to develop access to inclusive education in Armenia and Georgia. The project which is led by Ilia State University, Tbilisi Georgia also involves Edge Hill University (UK), The Pyramid Group (Germany), Technical University Of Kosice (Slovakia) as well as 5 institutions in Armenia and 4 institutions from Georgia. The project will promote and develop access to inclusive education, to social integration and to non-discrimination treatment of those with special needs in education in accordance with the Bologna Process and United Nations criteria.

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First Irish Serials Solutions Usergroup Meeting
LIT Library staff Monika Bukowska, Padraig Kirby and Suzanne Rushe attended the very first Irish Serials Solutions Usergroup meeting on Tuesday January 8th. The meeting was held in the National College of Ireland, Dublin. The Usergroup (pictured right) will provide a forum for knowledge exchange about Summon. Members will use the Group to discuss how to better utilize Summon— including Summon updates, technical updates, the Summon Client Centre and how Summon is used in different institutions. The Group will meet twice a year. For further information please contact: Monika.Bukowska@lit.ie
Sean De Bhulbh our dashing Librarian reveals his adventurous childhood, revolutionary student years, and desire to be on an Island with a certain lady!


College book memory: ‘Christ Stopped at Eboli’ by Carlo Levi. Physician, writer, and painter, Levi was arrested and ‘exiled’ from his home in Turin for opposing Fascism during the Abyssinian war (1935). This is the memoir of his life as a political prisoner under house arrest in a village in Lucania.

Library Memory: Encountering a distraught student who desperately needed a particular book on accounting for her dissertation. So, cooperatively we searched the library high and low and with skill and patience we finally found it in the cookery section!

Treasure Island Book: ‘Miss Marple’ by Agatha Christie

Book Quotes we love:

With our new library mobile app you can now take the library with you wherever you go!

LIT Library is pleased to announce that we are now a part of Library Anywhere, a mobile application that lets you use the library on your smart phone or other web-capable device. With this application, users can:

- Search the library catalog and Summon
- Reserve or renew items
- See what they have checked out
- Access some of library online databases
- Find library opening hours and locations
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**LIT is delighted to welcome two new members of staff to their library team:**

**Suzanne Rushe**, originally from Salthill, worked in a public library before completing her masters in Library and Information studies at UCD. She spent three years working at Middlesex University in North London teaching Information Literacy skills, also volunteering with the Natural History Museum, and Senate House Research library. She is delighted to be back living and working in Ireland with all the staff and students at LIT.

**Nora Hegarty**, originally from Lahinch worked in academic libraries in Kildare, Dublin and Waterford before joining us here in Limerick IT in January. She is looking forward to living and working back in the Mid-West.

**MAKE, DO, AND IMPRESS!**

This is a gorgeous little idea that I thought I’d share with you because it’s the perfect Valentine present and all it takes is time, thought, and the library printers! Simply print off maps of all the places you’ve been together over the years and cut them into heart shapes and arrange on cardboard before popping into a frame. Enough to make any heart melt!

**OH MR DARCY…** Jane Austen’s famous novel ‘Pride and Prejudice’ celebrated it’s 200th anniversary on January 29th 2013. The story of the love affair between the serious, book loving Elizabeth Bennet and the handsome yet aloof Mr Darcy is a favourite of many. And let’s face it, any excuse to put in a picture of Colin Firth in ‘that shirt’ eh?.

**DVD COLLECTION coming along nicely…**

Some of the new dvd’s now available in LSAD library, lots of David Lynch, Wim Wenders, Lars von Trier, and Mike Leigh for all you movie buffs out there.