

Planned LD4L Workshop

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[LD4L 2014](#), which was the Linked Data for Libraries original grant running from 2014-2016, has been completed. This page is part of the archive for that grant.

The information below is from the project plan, see [LD4L Workshop Agenda](#) for workshop details

Overview

In order to engage the broader community in the design and modular organization of the ontology, as well as to gather feedback on the proposed model for implementing SRSIS instances, the project partners plan to hold a two-day workshop for 25 attendees from 10-12 interested library, archive, and cultural memory institutions late in the first year of the grant (see Appendix C for a draft agenda and list of possible participants). The goals of the workshop would include:

Demonstrating initial prototypes of the SRSIS and its ontology framework based on the first year of project effort to a set of interested institutions.

Obtaining feedback on our initial ontology design: Does it provide the right level of granularity? Does it cover the types of context, description, and organization that local librarians and curators at each institution would want to add to scholarly information resources? Can they envision mapping their local descriptive and contextual metadata to the ontology? What would they like to see added to the ontology to meet their local institutional needs or capture unique local data?

Obtaining feedback on our overall design and approach: Could workshop participants envision implementing a SRSIS for their own institution? How would this potentially integrate with their existing approaches, and where would there be specific opportunities and barriers? Are there things that we could do in packaging and distributing the software and ontology that would make it easier for the institutions to adopt?

Making the personal and technical connections to support the participants in piloting this approach at their own institutions.

Understanding how the institutions see this approach fitting in with their own multi-institutional collaborations and existing cross-institutional efforts such as the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA)^[1], VIVO, and potential federated access to institutional repositories.

We could also explore areas of particular interest to attendees, including support for archival materials, links to external vocabularies and taxonomies, relationship to BIBFRAME, and other topics to be developed in collaboration with attendees prior to the workshop. We would plan to ask each institution to bring both an ontology/metadata person and an IT manager/senior developer. We believe that this workshop would be a focused opportunity for other institutions to engage directly with the effort, provide us with critical input during our design and implementation process, and understand what they would need to try out this approach themselves.

Draft Agenda

Day 1 - Morning

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Day 2 - Morning

Understanding how the institutions see this approach fitting in with their own multi-institutional collaborations and existing cross-institutional efforts such as DPLA, VIVO, and potential federated access to institutional repositories.

Discussion of how this approach fits with broader Linked Open Data efforts and existing external taxonomies and approaches, including SNAC, the Open Annotations effort, BIBFRAME, etc.

Day 2 - Afternoon

Next steps: What explicit steps can the project partners and workshop participants take to enable sharing of Linked Open Data about scholarly information resources both with the SRSIS platform and from other systems by mapping existing metadata and context to the SRSIS ontology.

[1] <http://dp.la/>