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NEWS FROM EUCLID

The EUCLID Executive Board has met twice since the last Newsletter was issued – in Vilnius in January and in Groningen in November. It will next meet in Portoroz in January 2003. The main focus of recent Board meetings has been arranging a programme of events for EUCLID members.

CONFERENCE and EUCLID Council, Thessalonika, October 2002

Plans are being made to hold a conference at the Technological Educational Institution of Thessalonika, Greece from Wednesday 16 - Saturday 19 October 2002. The Conference will also include a meeting of the EUCLID Council, as required by the Association's Statutes.

First Call for Papers:

Informative abstracts of 300-600 words are invited. Research and policy papers will be accepted. Descriptions of experience must clearly explain the national/institutional context for those unfamiliar with it, and be based on a self-critical evaluation

The Executive Board will act as the selection panel. Arrangements are being negotiated for publication of selected papers.

Final acceptance will be subject to submission of the full paper (and its revision if necessary).

Theme(s):

The themes of the meeting will be restructuring and adapting LIS education to European standards; overcoming regional variations in needs and interests.

- experiences in adapting to the Bologna agreement in defining and structuring Bachelors and Masters degrees
- issues in implementing the European Credit Transfer scheme (e.g. comparability in assessment)
- experiences of accreditation and quality assurance systems
- experiences of collaborative course development
- developing competencies, critical analysis and personal transferable skills in future information professionals
- strategies for coping with rapid change (curricular development, staff development, resources development)
- distance learning: potential and challenges
- developing research skills

The working language of the Conference will be English.

Submission of abstracts:

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Fees:

A small registration fee will be charged to recover necessary expenses. A differential fee will apply to EUCLID and non-EUCLID members, and to institutions in Eastern and Western Europe.

Timetable:

January	Publication of 2 nd Call and registration details.
31 March	Deadline for abstracts
Mid April	Executive Board meets to select papers and plan programme
Early May	Invitations to selected speakers
mid June	Selected speakers required to confirm intentions
31 July	Deadline for submission of full papers.

BOBCATSSS, Portoroz, Slovenia, January 28-30, 2002

EUCLID is once again pleased to support the annual BOBCATSSS conference. Join us in the Portorož Auditorium, a modern cultural and congress centre in Portorož, the “Port of Roses”, Slovenia’s splendid beach resort. Portorož also offers a lot of possibilities for sightseeing, including the Maritime Museum at the Villa San Marco and Forma Viva, an outdoor sculpture garden.

BOBCATSSS is a co-operative activity between European institutes and universities in the field of Library and Information Science. The 10th BOBCATSSS Symposium – “Hum@n beings and information specialists” - is organised and coordinated in co-operation between Hochschule für Medien, University of Applied Sciences, Stuttgart, and Department of Librarianship, Filozofska Fakulteta, University of Ljubljana.

Theme

Human beings are increasingly becoming part of the information society, which is characterised by technical progress, global networks and virtual reality. Human beings are challenged to process more and more information in a dynamic rapidity to manage everyday life and their jobs. How does this development change the private and professional life of human beings? What kinds of support do they need and expect from information specialists?

In this process information specialists should play a deciding role. They should assume responsibility for the architecture and accessibility of the virtual world. They should help human beings to get an orientation in cyberspace and they should point out the opportunities of the global network for everybody. The 10th BOBCATSSS Symposium will focus attention on human beings in the information society - their problems and their challenges. These will be the background for discussions about future skills, qualifications and positioning of information specialists.

Programme

The provisional programme is included as the final pages of this Newsletter

Accommodation

Information about accommodation may be found through the BOBCATSSS web site.

Transportation

The nearest international airports are Ljubljana, Venice, and Trieste.

From Ljubljana, take the bus from Brnik airport to the city. Buses leave the main bus station for Portoroz about every hour.

From Venice airport, transfer to nearby Venice Mestre railway station. Trains from there run to Trieste Central Railway Station every hour. The journey takes about 2 hours.

From Trieste airport (at Ronchi dei Legionari, about 30 km north of the city), a regular bus runs to the Central Railway Station.

Buses from Trieste to Portoroz depart from the Piazza della Libertà, just outside the Central Railway Station, every day except Sunday at 0900, 1200, 1230, 1530, 1700, 1800.

Some international trains also stop at Koper in Slovenia.

Registration

The registration fee is payable in Euros:
Students from Eastern regions: €20
Students from Western regions: €30
Non-students from Eastern regions: €50
Non-students from Western regions: €85

The registration fees for the symposium are differentiated as equal participation from both Eastern and Western regions is of great importance to us.

A registration form is on the web. By arrangement, payment may be made on site.

NB: No refunds will be made for delegates who cancel their registration.

Further information

BOBCATSSS 2002 Homepage

<http://www.bobcatsss.de>

OTHER FUTURE EUCLID MEETINGS

Meeting in Portoroz January 2002

An informal meeting will be arranged during the BOBCATSSS Conference in Portoroz in January 2002. The aims of the meeting are to facilitate networking between staff of EUCLID member institutions attending the conference, and to discuss future activities.

Meeting in Glasgow August 2002

A similar meeting will be held during the IFLA Conference in Glasgow in August 2002.

Joint meeting with ALISE, Berlin, August 2003

The possibility of a joint conference between EUCLID and ALISE has been discussed on several occasions. Plans have now been approved by the EUCLID Executive Board for a meeting the American Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) to be held in Berlin immediately before the IFLA Conference in August 2003. The ALISE Board will discuss the proposal in early 2002. If it receives their approval, a Call for Papers will be issued during the year.

BOBCATSSS 2003

Organisers: Instituut voor Media- en Informatiemanagement, Hogeschool van Amsterdam, and Uniwersytetu Mikolaja Kopernika, Torun. A Call for Papers will appear early in 2002.

Location: Torun, Poland

BOBCATSSS 2004 (*Provisional arrangements*)

Organisers: Hogskolan i Boras, Sweden, and Department of Library and Information Studies, University of Latvia

Location: Riga, Latvia

OTHER LIS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES IN EUROPE

5th World Conference on Continuing Professional Education for the library and information professions, Aberdeen, August 2002

The IFLA Round Table on Continuing Professional Education's 5th World Conference will be hosted by the School of Information and Media, The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland, from 14-16 August 2002 (immediately preceding IFLA's 75th Anniversary Conference in Glasgow). The theme is: Continuing Professional Education for the 'Information Society'.

Further information is available from the local organiser:

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Learning and Teaching Subject Network for Information and Computer Sciences, 3rd annual conference, Loughborough, August 2002

The Learning and Teaching Support Network (LTSN) is a major network of 24 subject centres based in higher education institutions throughout the UK. It aims to promote high quality learning and teaching through the development and transfer of good practices in all subject disciplines, and to provide a 'one-stop shop' of learning and teaching resources and information for the Higher Education community. The Network is funded by the Higher Education Funding Council for England, the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council, the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales and the Department of Education for Northern Ireland.

The LTSN Centre for Information and Computer Sciences (LTSN-ICS) is hosted by the University of Ulster in partnership with Loughborough University. Other partners in the Centre are the University of Warwick, Heriot-Watt University and the University of North London. Further information may be found at: <http://www.ics.ltsn.ac.uk/index.html>.

The 3rd Annual Conference of the LTSN Subject Centre for Information and Computer Sciences aims to bring together academics from the computing and library and information science disciplines interested in sharing good practice and integrating innovative techniques to enhance the quality of their learning, teaching and assessment.

The conference will consist of a number of plenary sessions including keynote speeches by invited speakers, technical sessions featuring papers, interactive posters and demonstrations and is designed to appeal to both new and experienced academics.

Early registration deadline: 26 July 2002

Ordinary registration deadline: 16 August 2002

Details from: Una O'Reilly, LTSN-ICS, University of Ulster, Shore Road, NEWTOWNABBEY BT37 0QB, or email LTSN-ICS@ulst.ac.uk

World Summit on the Information Society, Geneva, December 2003

After extensive consultations with United Nations agencies, the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union, Yoshio Utsumi, has announced the arrangements and framework for a World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). The Summit is being organised by the United Nations system under the high patronage of Kofi Annan, UN Secretary-General, with the International Telecommunication Union taking the lead role, in cooperation with other interested UN agencies.

The first phase of the World Summit will take place in Geneva, hosted by the Government of Switzerland, in December 2003. It will address the broad range of themes concerning the Information Society and adopt a Declaration of Principles and Action Plan, addressing the whole range of issues related to the Information Society.

The second phase of the World Summit will take place in Tunis hosted by the Government of Tunisia, in 2005. Development themes will be a key focus in this meeting and it will assess progress that has been made and adopt any further Action Plan to be taken.

The modern world is undergoing a fundamental transformation, as the Industrial Society of the past is rapidly evolving into the Information Society of the 21st century. The Information Society promises a fundamental change in all aspects of human existence, including knowledge dissemination, social interaction, economic and business practices, political engagement, media, education and health, leisure and entertainment. But the inherently global nature of this new environment, and the uneven pace of its development - often referred to as the Digital Divide - make it vital that international dialogue take place and that world-wide approaches be considered to facilitate the successful adaptation to this new reality.

The aim of the World Summit is to develop a common vision and understanding of the Information Society and to draw up a strategic plan of action for concerted development towards realising this vision. The Summit will also provide a unique opportunity to gather the world community to assemble at a high level and to develop a better understanding of this revolution and its impact. It aims to bring together Heads of State, Executive Heads of United Nations Agencies, industry leaders, non-governmental organisations, media representatives and civil society.

The proposed themes address the central issues raised by the Information Society and will likely include:

- Building the infrastructure
- Opening the gates: universal and equitable access to the information society
- Services and applications
- The needs of the User
- Developing a Framework
- ICT and Education

Under each of these broad themes, consideration will be given to the relevant developmental, economic, policy, social, cultural and technological aspects.

The initiative for the Summit originated at the 1998 Plenipotentiary Conference of the ITU, the UN specialised agency responsible for telecommunications. Since telecommunications will play a central role in the emergence of the information society, the ITU will play a lead role in the planning and organising of the Summit, in close cooperation with other interested

UN organisations and with the active participation of governments, the private sector and civil society.

WSIS has already been discussed with the United Nations Secretary-General and Executive Heads of other agencies where strong support has been voiced in the Administrative Committee for Coordination (ACC). A High Level Summit Organising Committee (HLSOC) composed of Executive Heads of UN agencies interested in the Summit and led by the ITU Secretary-General has been set up, with a mandate to launch the activities related to the preparation of the Summit and in particular to define its themes and outcome.

A series of regional preparatory meetings are being planned for the year 2002. It is also expected that other meetings and initiatives on the Information Society, including actions by governments, the UN system, private sector and civil society, will provide input to the preparation of the Summit.

Additional information about the Summit can be found on the WSIS website at www.itu.int/wsis/

DECIDoc

ECIA, the European Council of Information Associations, has completed the DECIDoc project funded by the European Commission. The project, led by Professor Jean Meyriat on behalf of ADBS - L'Association des professionnels de l'information et de la documentation in France, was concerned with producing a guide to the pan-European qualifications and competencies of European professionals in Library and Information Services. The group represented member organisations or associates of ECIA in Belgium, the Czech Republic, France, Great Britain, Italy, Portugal, Romania, Spain, and Switzerland.

The project is an initiative in the development of the Commission's policy towards cross border recognition of academic qualifications in all disciplines throughout member states as a part of the Single Market. The objective is to provide a cross border form of qualification structure for professionals that is acceptable and recognised by all professional bodies in Greater Europe. DECIDoc will provide a certification passport for qualified staff to have their expertise and skills recognised in the field of information management.

The final meeting of the three-year programme was held in the offices of SEDIC in Madrid in November, and the final report has been submitted to the Commission. ADBS and Aslib - the Association for Information Management in the U.K. have published the findings under the title of *Euroguide LIS*. It is available from their publications departments (EURO 14.00).

EUCLID Homepage:

The EUCLID home page URL may be found at:
<http://www.elt.sk/euclid/>

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BOBCATSSS, January 28-30, 2002: Provisional programme

Monday:

12:00-14:00	Registration
14:00-15:30	Opening Session Keynote Speaker: Minister
15:30-16:00	Break
16:00-17:00	Plenary Session Mark Klobčar, Student University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Arts, Dept. of Librarianship, SI "Bibliometrical and bibliographical analyses of BOBCATSSS Proceedings" (1998-2001)

Tuesday

09:00-09:45	Plenary Session Prof. Paul Sturges Dept. of Information Science, Loughborough University, UK "The first rule of netiquette and the librarian"		
09:45-10:00	Break		
10:00-13:00	Prof. Ingeborg Spribille University of Applied Sciences Stuttgart, Dept. of Information and Communication, DE "How will libraries survive? American investigations show the way"	Joyce M Latham, Student Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois, US "Top of the Heap: IT Management"	Manuela Hari, Student Katja Plos, Student Katja Zadavec, Student Doc. Dr. Alenka Sauperl, Ph.D., Assist. Prof Faculty of Arts, Dept. of Library Science, University of Ljubljana, SI "Competencies of the future librarian"
	Dr. Marian Koren NBLC, NL "The information specialist as a human being"	Adam Warren, PhD Student Dept. of Information Science Loughborough University, UK "Data Protection and Human Rights in the Workplace"	Maja Čujić, Student Marija Kudric, Student Irena Ostrički, Student Kornelija Petr, Research Assistant Prof. Tatjana Aparac-Jelusic Faculty of Education, University of Osijek, HR "The role and tasks of information specialists in the limelight: the research of the public perception"

	<p>Alejandro Delgado-Gómez Archives, Publications, Libraries and Information Centre Dept. – Cartagena City Council, ES “Libraries, Archives and Museums: moving towards new roles and skills”</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. A.K.Boekhorst Assistant Prof. Dep. of Inf. Science, University of Amsterdam, NL Visiting Prof., Dep. of Inf. Science, University of Pretoria, ZA Prof. Dr. J.J. Britz Associate Prof., Dep. of Information Science, University of Pretoria, Visiting Prof. Dep. Of Inf. Science, University of Amsterdam, NL Prof. Dr. T. Bothma Prof. Dep. of Inf. Science, Head of Dept., University of Pretoria, ZA “The Information Specialist and Ethics: Privacy and the New Information Economy”</p>	<p>Linda Ashcroft, Senior Lecturer Liverpool Business School, Liverpool John Moore's University “Information Specialists – Future Skills”</p>
	<p>Doron Greenspan Training Manager & Library Systems Developer, IL “Librarians Under Fire: Are We the Destroyers or the Preservers of Knowledge?”</p>	<p>Michael Gebauer Chair for Controlling and Information Management, University of Witten/Herdecke, DE “Human Resource Accounting – Measuring the Value of Human Beings and the Need for Information Management”</p>	<p>Niels Ole Pors Carl Gustav Johannsen Dept. of Library and Information Management, The Royal School of Library and Information Science, DK “Managing Information Professionals: Library Directors and their perceptions of challengers in the future job-market”</p>
13:00-14:30	Lunch		
14:30-15:15	<p>Plenary Session Lyn Robinson, David Nicholas, David Bawden City University London, UK “If everyone’s an information specialist, what’s our game?”</p>		
15:15-15:30	Break		
15:30-17:00	<p>L.H.F. van Zoen “The integrity of information as a crucial issue in the field of information management”</p>	<p>Prof. L. Anne Clyde University of Iceland, IS Prof. Jane Klobas Bocconi University, Milan, IT and Curtin University of Technology, Perth, AU “Teaching and learning about new technology: insights from ongoing research”</p>	<p>Angela Cuk KRKA, Library and Information Services, SI Prof. Primoz Juznic Veterinary Faculty, University of Ljubljana, SI “Information professionals supporting the work of other professionals (Veterinarians and veterinary drugs – case study)”</p>

		<p>Miodrag Dadasovic National and University Library "St. Kliment Ohridski", MK "Information Professionals – A Measure of their evaluation"</p>	<p>Katarzyna Żurawska, Student Prof. Bronislaw Żurawski Dept. of Library and Information Sciences, Nicholas Copernicus University, Toruń, PL "Students' knowledge and skills in the field of Information Technology – before and after studies at NCU"</p>
		<p>Marlene Holmner Dept. of Information Science, University of Pretoria, ZA "Telecentres as an instrument in the creation of an Indigenous World Knowledge System: a case study in the rural community of Apel, South Africa"</p>	<p>Martin Riefenstahl Macromedia "Macromedia and E-Learning: Creation and Optimization of Webdesign-Workflow"</p>

Additional event: Prof. Vodosek, University of Applied Sciences Stuttgart, DE: BOBCATSSS-Walk: BOBCATSSS Quo vadis?

Wednesday

09:00-09:45	<p>Plenary Session Katja Koralewski, Student Carmen Scharte, Student University of Applied Sciences, Cologne, DE "Credit Points – Internationalization of Library and Information Science Studies in Europe"</p>		
09:45-10:00	Break		
10:00-12:00	<p>José Manuel Retsloff, Student Jonas Matthias Eiriksson, Student Royal School of Library and Information Science, Copenhagen, DK "The Time IS Now"</p>	<p>Assist. Prof. Darja Kobal Dept. of Psychology, University of Ljubljana, SI Assist. Prof. Vlasta Zabukovec Dept. of Librarianship, University of Ljubljana, SI "Sociocognitive profile patterns of future information specialists"</p>	<p>Pete Reffell Dr. Andrew Whitworth School of Computing, University of Leeds, UK "Computer Fluency in the Digital Lifeworld; A Critical Examination of IT Education"</p>
	<p>Prof. Alexander W. Roos Prof. Martin Michelson University of Applied Sciences Stuttgart, Dept. of Information and Communication "Business Information Managers – Need, Fashion or Hype?"</p>	<p>Jadranka Lasic-Lazic, Vjekoslav Afric, Boris Badurina, Martina Dragija Ivanovic, Koraljka Golub Faculty of Philosophy, Dept. of Information Science, University of Zagreb, HR "Qualifications of information specialists: case of library and information students and graduates at the Dept. of Information Science, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb, Croatia"</p>	<p>Dr. John Ingram, Director for Collections Carol A. Turner, Director for Public Services George A Smathers Libraries, University of Florida "Designing 21st Century Library Spaces – Another Skill for the Information Specialist"</p>

	<p>Prof. Dr. Manfred Koch Information and Knowledge Management, University of Applied Sciences, Eisenstadt, AT "Knowledge Management: undergraduate and post graduate courses all over the world – some comparison"</p>	<p>Damjana Vovk, Student Andreja Nagode, Student Spela Zupanc, Student Dept. of Librarianship, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, SI "Student today - what about tomorrow? Attitudes and expectations of students of the Department of library and information science and publishing in Ljubljana"</p>	<p>Retha Claasen, Post-graduate student, Assistant lecturer University of Pretoria, Dept. of Information Science "Information workers = Miracle Workers?"</p>
	<p>Radovan Vrana, MSc Faculty of Philosophy, Dept. of Information Sciences, University of Zagreb, HR "How to build a digital librarian – an American-European curricula comparison study"</p>	<p>Dr. Michael Pálvölgyi, Dr. Péter Murányi, Zoltán Czövek, Noémi Bencsik, László Budai, Jácint Gábris, Judit Gerencsér Berzsenyi College, Dept. of Library and Information Science, Szombathely, HU "New skills and careers from staff and students perspectives in Hungary"</p>	<p>Daniel D. Meir, IL "Antique Dealers and Collectors as Information Specialists: Knowledge Organization in Internet Antique Auctions"</p>
12:00-12:15	Break		
12:15-13:15	<p>Lucy A. Tedd Department of Information and Library Studies, University of Wales Aberystwyth "Distance learning and the training of information specialists in new skills: some experiences from Wales and Slovakia"</p>	<p>Doc. Dr. Vlasta Zabukovec, Sonja Svoljsak, Dare Majcenovic, Ales Klemen, Branka Badovinac Department of Library Science, University of Ljubljana, Slo "Course programme quality as a measure of career successfulness"</p>	<p>Polona Vilar M.A., Jasna Maver, PhD. Department of Library and Information Science and Book Selling, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slo "Librarian in a digital world – an information architect?"</p>
	<p>Prof. Ian M. Johnson School of Information and Media, The Rober Gordon University, Aberdeen, UK "A new im@ge: professional education on the net"</p>	<p>Dr. HE Auret School of Library and Information Studies, Technikon, RZA "Experiential learning in the education and training of information professionals"</p>	<p>Frances Hall Department of Information Science, Loughborough University, UK "Who should apply metadata? A UK higher education perspective"</p>
13:15-14:15	Lunch		
14:15-15:15	<p>Luka Cvoriscec, Aleksandra Horvat, Martina Matejic, Kresimir Pintaric, Jasmina Soco Department of Information Sciences, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb, HR "Education for publishers in Croatia: is it feasible?"</p>	<p>Mag. Edith Denman-Maier, MSc Centre for Information Management and Technical Documentation, Donau University, Krems, Austria "Knowledge management as an essential component of LIS training"</p>	<p>Prof. Wolf-Fritz Riekert University of Applied Sciences Stuttgart – School of Media "Automated Retrieval of Information in the Internet by Using Thesauri and Gazetteers"</p>

	<p>Prof. Aira Lepik Tallinn Pedagogical University, Estonia “The meaning of marketing for information specialists”</p>	<p>Katarzyna Materska, PhD Department of Information Science and Book Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland “Knowledge codification – a challenge for information professionals”</p>	<p>Dr. Berthold Meier Information and Knowledge Management, University of Applied Sciences, Eisenstadt, Austria “Teaching Online Retrieval – What Information Specialists Really Need to Learn for a Permanently Changing Online Market. First Experiences from Practical Courses Held at the University of Applied Sciences at Eisenstadt (Austria)”</p>
15:15-15:30	Break		
15:30	Closing Session		