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Digital Library Interoperability, Best Practices and Modelling Foundations

Introduction

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Past editions

1. *DELOS Reference Model* workshop, Rome, June 1-2, 2006

2. *1st Workshop on Foundations of Digital Libraries*, Vancouver, June 23, 2007

3. *2nd Workshop on Foundations of Digital Libraries*, Budapest, 20 September 2007

4. *3rd Workshop on Foundations of Digital Libraries*, Aarhus, 18 September 2008
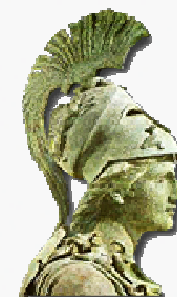
Workshop Objectives

DL interoperability

Presentation of the first results of the collective work of a large number of researchers who have participated in the DL.org project activities

Springboard for further discussions and exchanges of ideas on effective methods for DL interoperability and best practices

Project Information

DL.org Consortium

- CNR-ISTI (coordinator, Italy)
- NKUA (Greece)
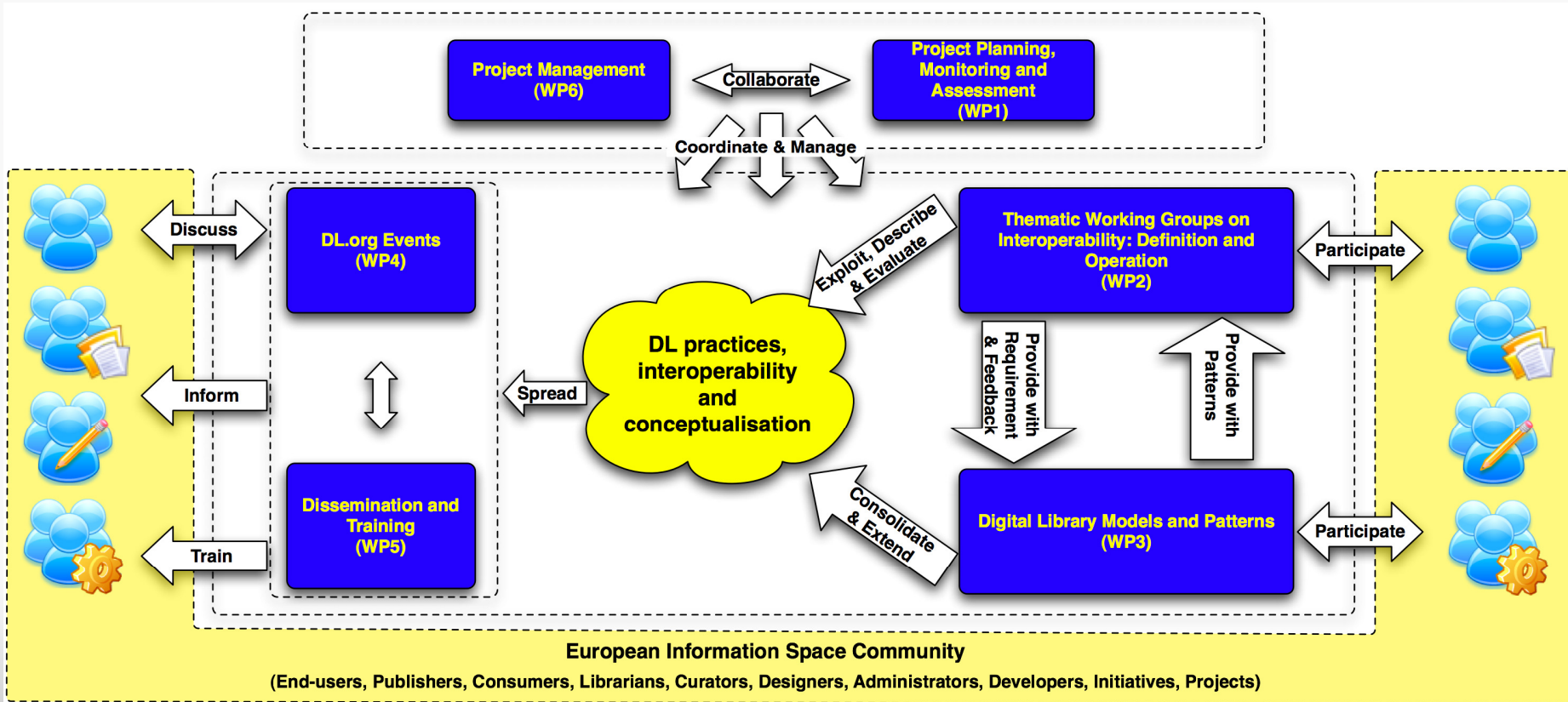- HATII (United Kingdom)
- Trust-IT (United Kingdom)

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Coordination Action on Digital Library Interoperability, Best Practices and Modelling Foundations

Project Objectives

1. **Promote interoperability** between current and future DL initiatives
   - by adopting a systematic approach
   - by mobilizing key people and projects
2. **Identify best practices** and technology **patterns**
   - by delivering a DL Technology and Methodology Cookbook
3. **Consolidate** and **enhance** the **DELOS Reference Model**
   - by producing a stable version of the Reference Model
4. **Disseminate** project outcomes
   - via Web site, Workshops, Summer School

Project Structure

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Project Management
(WP6)

Collaborate

Project Planning,
Monitoring and
Assessment
(WP1)

Coordinate & Manage

Discuss

DL.org Events
(WP4)

Exploit, Describe
& Evaluate

Thematic Working Groups on
Interoperability: Definition and
Operation
(WP2)

Participate

DL practices,
interoperability
and
conceptualisation

Spread

Provide with
Requirement
& Feedback

Provide with
Patterns

Inform

Train

Dissemination and
Training
(WP5)

Consolidate
& Extend

Digital Library Models and Patterns
(WP3)

Participate

European Information Space Community
(End-users, Publishers, Consumers, Librarians, Curators, Designers, Administrators, Developers, Initiatives, Projects)

Six Thematic Working Groups

1. Identify and discuss the **most important interoperability issues** arising while implementing large-scale Digital Libraries

2. Be informed about **solutions applied in other contexts**

3. Steering the definition of **agreed solutions**

4. Contribute to the **consolidation/refinement of the Reference Model**

Content

Quality

Architecture

User

Functionality

Policy

Six Thematic Working Groups: members

- Leading technical **experts** representatives of **key on-going projects** and **initiatives**

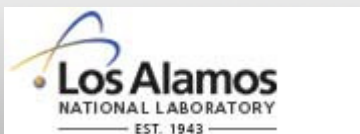- **Researchers** in the specific domain

Liaison Group

- act as a **collaboration channel** with many other projects and initiatives

- **validate the results** of the Thematic Working Groups

- act as a **consultation body** for DL.org

Liaison Group members

- Stakeholders of **DL organizations** and **coalitions**
- Well known **experts** in the DL field

External Advisory Board

- Provide **external assessment** of the results achieved by DL.org

- Provide guidance with respect to the Project's **strategic orientations**

- **Members**
  - Stephan Griffin (NSF)
  - Marianne Backes (CVCE)
  - Geneva Henri (Rice University)