Seven EIFL library consortia celebrate 10 years of achievement

Seven library consortia from a diverse range of countries are celebrating their 10th anniversary in 2013 including Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ethiopia, Lesotho, Macedonia, Malawi and Slovenia.

2013 General Assembly

The 2013 EIFL General Assembly (GA), our annual knowledge-sharing and networking event, took place in the vibrant city of Istanbul on November 11 – 13, 2013. 82 participants from 47 countries met to debate the latest developments in electronic content delivery, to discover emerging topics that have a significance for libraries, and to share achievements from library consortia over the last year.

EIFL-Licensing update

Renewal agreement for Emerald Management eJournal Collections
EIFL has signed a renewal agreement with Emerald Group Publishing for Emerald Management eJournal Collections. The agreement runs to 31 December 2016 and is open to members of EIFL-partner consortia in 14 countries.

New agreement for Emerald eBook Series Collections
EIFL has signed a new agreement with Emerald Group Publishing for Emerald eBook Series Collections. The agreement runs to 31 December 2016 and is open to members of EIFL-partner consortia in 14 countries.

Renewal agreement for Project MUSE
EIFL has signed a renewal agreement with the Johns Hopkins University for Project MUSE. The agreement runs to 31 December 2016 and is open to members of EIFL-partner consortia in over 30 countries.

Extension of pilot agreement for Wiley-Blackwell Standard Journal Collections
The pilot agreement for Wiley-Blackwell Standard Journal Collections has been extended until 31 December 2014.

New agreement for Intellect Journals Collection
EIFL has signed a new agreement with Intellect for the Intellect Journals Collection. The agreement runs to 31 December 2016 and is open to members of EIFL-partner consortia in over 20 countries.

EIFL-OA update

EIFL globally recognized in ASAP Portfolio
The Accelerating Science Award Program (ASAP) blue ribbon panel of industry experts selected EIFL to be one of seven high-impact open access organizations, among public action advocates.

**Students launch Open Access Button**
At an international meeting of student advocates for expanded access to academic research, two undergraduates from Great Britain announced the launch of the Open Access Button.

**Open Access Week 2013 in review**
Over 30 EIFL partner and project countries held a diverse range of events around the world during Open Access Week 2013 from October 21 to 27, 2013.

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**EIFL-IP update**

**Libraries and the Beijing Treaty-world's first webinar**
EIFL hosted the first webinar on libraries and the Beijing Treaty that aims to provide legal protection to performers in audiovisual works. The Beijing Treaty was adopted in June 2012 by member states of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and aims to provide legal protection to performers in audiovisual works, for example, actors in motion pictures.

**COBESS ready for the copyright challenge**
EIFL co-organized a seminar with the Consortium des Bibliothèques de l'Enseignement Supérieur du Sénégal (COBESS) on the teaching of copyright to librarians in West Africa, that also galvanized discussion on copyright issues in Senegal.

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**EIFL-FOSS update**

**Koha questions answered in EIFL FOSS webinar**
A Q&A webinar on Koha was facilitated by Chris Cormack, one of the original developers of Koha during his time at Katipo, and Hilton Gibson of the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa. The webinar is now available online for viewing.

**DSpace questions answered in EIFL FOSS and OA Webinar**
A DSpace webinar that was a joint venture between EIFL's FOSS and OA took place with participants from 21 countries and is now available online. The open source software package provides the tools for management of digital assets, and is commonly used as the basis for institutional repositories.

**EIFL FOSS webinar answers Shibboleth questions**
A Shibboleth webinar took place with participants invited by EIFL FOSS and Country Coordinators for their technical knowledge and experience of (or interest in) Shibboleth. The open source federated access management technology that has been widely adopted by academic institutions worldwide
to facilitate anytime/anywhere access to commercial e-resources. The webinar is now available online.

**Journal of Library Innovation publishes EIFL FOSS article**

The Journal of Library Innovation has published an article written by EIFL-FOSS Programme Manager Simon Ball and contributing authors Rosalie Lack, Amos Kujenga, Yeukai Chimuka, Tendai Mataranyika and Darlington Musemburi.

**Webinar demonstrates Open Journal Systems**

A Open Journal Systems (OJS) webinar from EIFL's FOSS and Open Access programmes was delivered by Bozana Bokan of the Centre for Digital Systems (CeDiS) at the Freie Universität Berlin, Germany. The webinar is now available online.

**EIFL-PLIP update**

**EIFL-PLIP Kenya project inspires scale-up**

The successful Kenya National Library Service tablet computers project, which supports learning of schoolchildren in Kibera, the biggest slum in East Africa, is being replicated in three more communities. The project was initiated with support from EIFL-PLIP.

**Innovative libraries: Numbers tell the story**

Over 9,000 people learnt to use computers and the internet through 300 libraries in 23 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America. EIFL-PLIP is proud to present results of innovative public library services supported over the last three years.

**Neelie Kroes sees innovative public library in action**

Utena A&M Miskinai Public Library’s innovative ‘Play to Study’ project, initiated with support from EIFL-PLIP, attracted high-level attention at ICT 2013, Europe’s biggest technology event, and a special audience with Ms Neelie Kroes, Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for the Digital Agenda.

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