NeDICC: An Overview

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Network of Data and Information Curation Communities (NeDICC) aims to promote the development and use of standards and best practices to ensure the usability of digital material (e.g. research data, digital objects) in support of e-Research in South Africa.
Current members

- HE Institutions: CPUT, NWU, SU, UCT, UNISA, UP, UWC, VUT, WITS
- Councils/Academies: ASSAf, ARC, CSIR, HSRC, NRF
• Dr Lucia Lotter (HSRC)
• Ms Ronell Bezuidenhout (UNISA)
• Mr Johann van Wyk (UP)
• Co-opted members: Dr Martie van Deventer (CSIR), Dr Heila Pienaar (UP)
Aims of NeDICC

• A forum to exchange experience and opinions
• Promote communication and co-operation between members through meetings, seminars, workshops and conferences and collaborative projects to:
  • Address issues of interest / concern
  • Promote awareness and best practices
  • Showcase work and initiatives
  • Expose the community to new developments and trends
  • Provide opportunities to engage with a wider audience
• Active participation in forums (DIRISA, CODATA, RDA, etc.)
• Develop the knowledge and skills of members
• Develop shared tools
NeDICC Activities

Carnegie CPD Programme
Enhancing librarians' ICT skills for research enablement in African universities: a Carnegie CPD programme

The Department of Information Science, University of Pretoria, was awarded a grant by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to offer eight four-week residential continuing professional development (CPD) programmes for qualified librarians from Sub-Saharan Africa, for the period 2014 – 2016.

The aims of the programme are to:
- Empower the next generation of library and information professionals within Sub-Saharan African countries with hands-on skills to apply current and emerging information and communication technologies (ICTs),
- Build capacity amongst library and information services (LIS) professionals to support and enable researchers.

NeDICC/DCC RDM Workshop participants,
12 August 2015, Knowledge Commons, CSIR (Pretoria)

NeDICC Workshop for rookie data managers

NeDICC in collaboration with the North-West University and Talarify invites you to participate in
the first Library Carpentry Workshop in Africa
lead by Prof Cameron Macdonell from MacEwan University, Canada.

The workshop is aimed at Librarians interested to learn skills relevant to the Library of the Future:
- Understanding the international Library Carpentry landscape
- Tools for cleaning data - OpenRefine
- Tools for collaboration - Git and GitHub

The workshop will also include a lesson sprint to familiarise participants with lesson design and contribution to allow further development of materials relevant to the South African Library Community

No prior programming experience is required. Everyone is welcome. Limited space available.

Dates: 25 & 26 August
Time: 9:00 – 17:00 daily
Venue: CSIR, Pretoria Campus
Cost: R1000 p/p (VAT excluded)
Registration: http://goo.gl/forms/BDTlUtb8x1xkTc2
Enquiries: mvandeve AT csir DOT co DOT za

Introduction to research data: Swahili version

Data ya shirika na data ya ufundisho wani swali la muhimu ni kikopo ni kufanya online moja na wewe wanaoanza matera, msa na muhimu
Collaborative Projects between NeDICC and DIRISA

Data Management Planning Tool

Islandora Data Repository

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