2015 E-Research Network

The Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) and the Digital Library Federation (DLF) are pleased to announce a new opportunity in support of e-research and research data management: the 2015 offering of the **E-Research Network** (formerly E-Research Peer Network and Mentoring Group).

What is the DLF E-Research Network?

Launched in 2014, the DLF **E-Research Network** is a budding community of practice focused on sharing resources for implementing research data management services and on developing skills and collaboration. The goal of the network experience is to encourage a self-reliant, mutually supportive community engaged in continuous learning about e-research and research data management support. For more information see: http://www.diglib.org/groups/e-research-network/

Who should be a part of the DLF E-Research Network?

The DLF E-Research Network was designed to help members of academic and research libraries develop strategies for creating and implementing e-research and research data management support services through means of a peer driven shared learning experience and through collaborative efforts.

To get the most of the E-Research Network experience, institutional teams of three (3) are encouraged to join. Ideally, an institutional team would be comprised of, but not limited to, the following participants:

▶ **Library Administrator**
An individual in this role is critical to the success of the institutional team. As a key decision maker, the administrator understands the local institutional landscape,

management structure, and culture. This person also sets priorities for e-research and research data management and can help make key connections for the team, including institutional buy-in from top library management.

▸ Data or E-Research / E-Science Librarian
A librarian in this role will bring subject and technical expertise to the group.

▸ Non-Library Participant
This person will bring perspective from beyond the main library, allowing the group to explore opportunities for collaboration with other campus entities. (Example: research faculty or center director, CIO/IT Department director, Research Computing director, etc.)

Critical to the design of the E-Research Network is the inclusion of key players and decision makers on each institution's team in order to maximize the benefit and ultimately, the usefulness of the team's learning objectives and outcomes, and the overall networking experience.

Participants are encouraged to continue engagement with the community and to maintain regular meetings and contact after the annual cohort ends. With continued interest and engagement from participants, CLIR/DLF will support the community of practice that continues to emerge as a result of the networking group.

What happens after my institution joins the DLF E-Research Network?

The 2015 E-Research Network will begin April 21 in Minneapolis at an in-person kick-off event (preceding the RDAP Summit*) where members can connect and work to identify individual learning objectives and outcomes.

Following the initial meeting, members participate in customized curricula and a series of regularly scheduled webcasts. Also offered are one on one consultations tailored to a specific institutional need. The culminating in-person meeting is October 25th in Vancouver (preceding the DLF Forum), giving network members the opportunity to share learning experiences and build collaborative partnerships moving forward.

Members of previous cohorts, alongside CLIR/DLF postdoctoral fellows in data curation, facilitate the group experience while working with participants to assess each institution's service layers, and identify next steps about planning and implementing research data management services.

Tentative collocation for the first in-person meeting. Details forthcoming.

How can I learn more about the DLF E-Research Network?

An informational webcast was held on February 4, 2015. To hear from past participants and learn more about what your institution can gain from being a part of this growing community of practice, view a recording of the webcast here: http://clir.adobeconnect.com/p2pvxyxbues/

What is the cost and how does my institution sign up to be a part of the 2015 E-Research Network?

Registration for the DLF E-Research Network is $3,000 per institutional team ($2,500 for DLF Members and CLIR Sponsors), with up to three participants. Included in the registration costs are two in-person events, access to customized curricula and a series of regularly scheduled webcasts, and personalized consultations for each participating institution.

To register, visit: http://goo.gl/forms/XpAXfU6Ja6