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10th Asia Pacific Special, Health & Law Librarians' conference

Your invitation to join us

On behalf of the conference organising committee, I am very pleased to invite you to the 10th Asia Pacific Special, Health and Law Librarians' Conference.

This year, the conference returns to South Australia, and will be held in the newly extended Adelaide Convention Centre.

The conference committee invites you to embrace the challenges and opportunities provided by the fast moving technologies with which we all work



We are delighted to have the support of so many sponsors and we welcome the trade exhibitors to the conference, some of whom will be conducting vendor presentations during the lunch breaks.

Our 'celebrate' theme is reflected in the social program which gives the delegates networking and 'catching up' opportunities during the conference. Included in your registration fee are the opening reception on Sunday night, the informal reception at the newly renovated State Library of South Australia on Monday, and the conference dinner on Tuesday night.

We have kept registration fees at their 2001 level to make the conference is as affordable as possible.

Please join us at the conference in August and stay on to enjoy the beauty of Adelaide. We all look forward to seeing old friends and making many new ones.

Philip Keane, conference convenor

Keynote and invited speakers

The conference program is brimming with keynote and invited speakers on issues of relevance to special, health and law librarians. Some of the areas our speakers will be exploring include portals and intranets, training, evidence-based health, knowledge management, best practice and customer service. Our keynotes are leaders in their fields and will provide a focus to this conference dedicated to celebrating the future.

Marianne Broadbent

Dr Marianne Broadbent is Group vice-president, Gartner, the world's largest advisor on the business uses of information technology. Marianne leads the global research and business development team for Gartner's Executive Programs which has a membership base of over 1700 chief information officers worldwide. Marianne works extensively as an advisor and advice broker with business and IT executives and management teams. Her particular areas of interest and expertise are the fusion of business and technology strategies and investments, the dynamics of the business value of IT, and the governance and management of business-driven IT, particularly in international environments.

Marianne was previously a professor in the Management of Information Systems at the Melbourne Business School, University of Melbourne, visiting researcher at Boston University, and Head of the Department of Information Services at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology. She is co-author of the book Leveraging the new infrastructure: how market leaders capitalise on information technology (Harvard Business School Press, 1998) and has won two international 'best

paper' awards. Marianne has also led her own consulting firm and is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Sue Myburgh

Sue is the program director of the Master of Arts (Knowledge Management) and the Master of Arts (Internet Communication Strategies) at the University of South Australia. These courses cover the broad areas of strategic information management and knowledge management, with a focus on information retrieval. Her current research interest is information seeking behaviour on the web. Her expertise in the area of information management has been wide and varied, covering theory and practice across four continents (South Africa, North America, Australia and South-East Asia) for more than two decades. She has published widely in the areas of knowledge management, records management, strategic information management, and gender and technology.

Sue is also foundation director of the new Centre for Internet Studies. This centre was established in order to recognise that a new discipline has emerged at the intersection of the disciplines of information, communication and cultural studies.

David Snowden

David Snowden is the director of IBM's Centre for Action Research in Organisational Complexity (CAROC). He was formerly a director in the Institute for Knowledge Management where he led the Institute's programs on complexity and narrative as well as taking geographic responsibility for the Institute's activities outside the Americas. One of the founders of organic knowledge management, he pioneered the use of story techniques as

a means of knowledge disclosure and a key aspect of creating a knowledge strategy. His subsequent work has taken him into the integration of learning and knowledge using models derived from complexity science and the development of advanced techniques for the management of informal communities and the simulation of social networks. A gifted speaker and educator, he is in regular demand as a keynote speaker worldwide. His master classes in a variety of subjects both public and private are highly rated and regularly sell out. David was a keynote speaker at the 2002 BIALL conference in Liverpool.

Richard Susskind

Professor Richard Susskind has specialised in the use of IT by lawyers and other professionals for more than twenty years. He is currently an independent adviser to national governments and to major professional firms. He lectures internationally and has been invited to speak in more than 40 countries. In 1998, he was appointed IT adviser to the Lord Chief Justice of England. Richard's fourth and fifth books, The future of law (Oxford University Press, 1996) and Transforming the law (Oxford University Press, 2000) are both legal best sellers around the world. He is Professor of Law at Gresham College, London. Richard is a law columnist for The Times. He has a First Class Honours degree in law from Glasgow University and a doctorate in law and computers from Balliol College, Oxford. Richard was awarded an OBE in the Millennium New Year's Honours List for services to IT in the law and to the administration of justice.

Simon Tupman

Simon is an author, conference speaker, workshop leader, and facilitator. Since leaving behind a career as UK criminal lawyer, he has gone on to become one of Australia's leading experts in the fields of leadership development and communication. Today, Simon works with a variety of organisations and audiences around the world, notably in Australia, New Zealand, the United States and the United Kingdom. He is the author of Why lawyers should eat bananas (2000), the best-selling business and professional development guide for lawyers and other professionals looking to achieve more in life. Born in the United Kingdom, Simon holds degrees from Nottingham Trent University (BA), City University Business School (MBA) and is a solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales. He is also an accredited professional speaker of the National Speakers Association of Australia

Linda Watson

Linda Watson is director of the Claude Moore Health Sciences Library, University of Virginia at Charlottesville. She has just completed her year as president of the Medical Library Association (MLA), and is currently serving as past-president of that association. Among many appointments, Linda Watson has served the MLA as Board member (1996-1999), treasurer (1997-1999) and has served as chair of the National Program Committee. She has also served as editor of MLA News 'Media News' column, as chair of the national program committee, and as chair of the ISI/Frank Bradway Rogers Information Advancement Award Jury. A distinguished member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP), Watson is a recipient of MLA's Mid-Atlantic Chapter Librarian of the Year Award. Linda began her medical library career in 1975 at the National Library of Medicine where she held several management positions until 1985. Linda is currently a member of the National Library of Medicine PubMed Central National Advisory Committee. Her keynote address will cover the recent developments in PubMed, PubMed Central and the future developments planned for these services.

Library tours

Short guided tours of local libraries will be offered during the conference. Tours range from the Defence Science and Technology Organisation library to the Embroiderer's Guild of South Australia. For full details on the library tours available see http://conferences.alia.org.au/shllc2003/registrationbrochure.pdf.

Vonus

Adelaide Convention Centre is located in the heart of the city of Adelaide on the banks of the Torrens River and only fifteen minutes drive from Adelaide Airport. The venue is close to the commercial and entertainment centre of the city, and is adjacent to the Adelaide Casino and parklands.

Optional tours available

Optional tours are available before and during the conference. Visit the Barossa Valley or enjoy a Bush Tucker Early Morning Walk meandering through the Adelaide Botanic Garden. Full details of these tours can be found in the conference registration brochure.

Registration

Register online using the online registration form at: http://conferences.alia.org.au/shllc2003/. The website contains abstracts, more details of satellite events and links to sponsors websites.

Conference secretariat

Any enquiries should be addressed to: 10th Asia Pacific Special, Health and Law Librarians' Conference secretariat, PO Box 949, Kent Town SA 5071 Australia, ph 08 8363 1307, fx 08 8363 1604, librarians@fcconventions.com.au.

Trade displays

An exhibition of suppliers to libraries will be held in the Exhibition Hall and will be an integral part of the conference. The conference committee welcomes the following exhibitors to the conference in Adelaide:

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