

Global Registries Initiative: Canberra Workshop 5-6th November 2009

Location: Graneek Room, [Chifley Building](#), Australian National University, Canberra

Day 1: Thursday 5 November

Session 1 (9.30am-12.30pm)

This session will focus on where the Initiative has come from and where its headed. Suggested agenda items are:

- Revisit and refine the vision and goals of the GRI (<http://globalregistries.org/index.html>)
- Discuss the business focus of the GRI including the granularity and coverage of the records provided by participating registries.
- Discuss the functional scope of the GRI
- Discuss a sustainable business model for the GRI and what operational agreements might be needed to maintain it
- Discuss governance models, interim and long-term as also a possible organizational 'home' for the GRI.

Note that some of these issues are discussed in separate paper [GRI-Overview.pdf]

Lunch@Vivaldis (12.30pm-1.30pm)

Session 2 (1.30pm-4.00pm)

This session will take the outcomes from discussions in the previous session and focus on the details and decisions that are required to progress the 'Global Register-of-Registries' and the desired downstream services. Suggested agenda items are:

- Interim infrastructure for GRI register and globalregistries.org web site
- Interim infrastructure for GRI discovery portals
- Consider how collections granularity and coverage be recorded in metadata so that the merging of registries provides a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts.
- What exchange schema(s) should be used by participating registries so that all metadata relevant to the scope of the GRI is interchangeable including relationship metadata (within and between collections, services and parties/agents)
- What metasearch and harvest protocols must be supported by each participating registry and to what level (e.g. support for incremental harvesting)
- What are the minimum requirements for a participating registry in the areas of (a) purpose (b) responsible parties (c) metadata quality (d) operational/service standards

Evening Arrangements

Dinner@Axis Resaurant (6pm -)

Day 2: Friday 6 November

Session 1 (9.30am-12.30pm)

This session will have a practical focus on the data and information mapping between the registries and the harvesting issues encountered during the recent harvest of data from the three registries into the pilot global collections registry. This will be an opportunity for the software and metadata developers to get down to technical specifics.

Suggested agenda items:

- Overview of the IESR and RIF-CS schemas and sample records taken from each registry
- Review of the mapping used to transform IESR records to RIF-CS format and issues that need to be resolved
- Required process and systems for updating the register
- Harvesting and metasearch technicalities

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The final session will focus on developing a written strategy/plan that will enable us to turn the unified vision into a reality. Indeed, we should also be looking at assigning tasks to the willing and able. Areas to be covered are:

- Interim governance documentation, policies, meeting schedule
- Communications Plan
- Technical Agreements for participating members and the process for updating them
- Maintenance of the Web Site and GRI Register

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