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The 2nd Global Registries Initiative Meeting

2-5pm March 31, 2007, University of Southampton, Room TBA

For updated information about the meeting visit the link below:

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The success of the first DRIVER Summit in January 2008, Goettingen, indicates growing interest in establishing federated networks of digital repositories.¹ But, practically speaking, how are such networks established? What sort of software is required? How are they governed and how would they interoperate with similar repository networks worldwide?

As a person with an interest in these issues, you are cordially invited to a meeting to be held at the University of Southampton on 31 March 2008 (in conjunction with the Open Repositories 08 Conference) to discuss an initiative establish a global network of interoperable registries. Registries are increasingly seen as critical to the building federated networks of digital repositories, and Web 2.0 services more widely, so this meeting will give you the opportunity to discuss the latest developments in this area.

The meeting will be the second in a series leading up to an international workshop scheduled for the second half of 2008, to be held in either the USA or Europe. The first meeting was held in Washington DC on December 9, 2007.²

The meeting is brokered and hosted by the JISC Information Environment Programme. Chris Blackall (Australian Partnership for Sustainable Repositories) and Jeremy Frumkin (OCKHAM Initiative) will facilitate the meeting.

The meeting will discuss 1) the **overall goals** of the initiative (*to establish an international framework that enables global visibility of and access to collections of research materials*), 2) its **value proposition** (*that such a framework would improve global research by enabling discovery and re-use of these materials*) and 3) its **possible mechanisms** (*e.g. formal cooperation agreements between regional, national and discipline-specific registries, technical infrastructure and the adoption of common standards*).

Meeting agenda:

1. Introductions and background
2. Establishing the meeting context: Jeremy Frumkin will provide an overview of the (collection/service) registry domain and a review of current initiatives. This includes demonstrations of OCKHAM, APSR and JISC registry software.
3. Mapping the way forward: Chris Blackall will report on the outcomes of the Washington 2007 meeting and lead discussions on the following topics
 - Technical frameworks and approaches for a establishing a global network of interoperable registries
 - Collaborative frameworks, processes and membership for pursuing a global collections and services initiative
 - Stakeholders, supporters and funding opportunities for such an initiative
 - Internationally coordinated funding/policy agendas
4. Shared services more generally - opportunities for a global approach to other types of registry

¹ http://www.driver-repository.eu/Summit1/DRIVER_Summit_report_Jan08.pdf

² <http://wiki.library.oregonstate.edu/confluence/download/attachments/17900/RegistryMeetingReport2007.pdf>