Sixteenth International Conference on Grey Literature



Grey Literature Lobby: Engines and Requesters for Change

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Announcement

- Think Tanks Advocacy Groups Research Teams NGOs IGOs Foundations
- Coalitions Lobbyists Special Interest Groups Task forces Associations, Etc.

Decision and policy makers need to be informed on the value and wealth of grey literature, thus legitimizing further investments in this field of information. Lobbying grey literature has its very roots in this international conference series, which has grown and rallies over the past two decades by promoting research and publishing their results. The grey literature lobby seeks to guarantee that the interests of a diverse and widespread community of information professionals and practitioners are served.

Like other fields in library and information science, technology is one of the primary engines driving change in grey literature. However, there are other engines for change that are needed to further sustain and develop this field of information. Policy development and economic stimulus are two such challenges now facing the community.

Changes in the production and sharing of knowledge, changes in the requirements for storage, access, and preservation of grey literature, as well as ensuing change in the demands of users require a concerted effort and response on the part of the grey literature community. New stakeholders and net-users must be summoned and heard, because their requests will further fuel the right kind of debate needed to open the wealth of grey literature to wider audiences.

The social impact of grey literature will be judged by the value placed on its public service. Your response to this year's Call for Papers will help to lobby and engineer needed change www.textrelease.com/gl16callforpapers.html.

Conference Themes

Emerging and Changing Markets for Grey Literature

Mapping Grey Communities and New Stakeholders

Public Awareness of Grey Literature

Standards for Metadata and Grey Literature

Open Access to Research Data

Publishing and Licensing Grey Literature

Note To keep conference delegates and participants informed on the progress of the Sixteenth International Conference on Grey Literature, a quarterly newsletter, conference calendar, and further documentation will be available on the conference site, www.textrelease.com. Please direct all correspondence to conference@textrelease.com.

