Welcome to lis-e-resources

1. Description:

lis-e-resources is an informal open list set up by UKSG

UKSG exists to connect the information community and encourage the exchange of ideas on scholarly communication. It is the only organisation spanning the wide range of interests and activities across the scholarly information community of librarians, publishers, intermediaries and technology vendors. lis-e-resources is our informal, open discussion list, and provides a forum for discussion of matters relating to the provision, administration, management, licensing and access of scholarly information.

2. Disclaimer:

UKSG cannot verify the accuracy of submitted messages or endorse the opinions expressed by those posting to the list, neither can it accept liability for any postings. Posters are solely responsible for the content of their messages. The list owners reserve the right delete subscribers if they feel that list etiquette has been breached.

3. Technical Points:

i. lis-e-resources does not accept any emails that contain attachments

ii. Authors own the copyright of their individual postings

iii. Please do not send unsubscribe messages to the list, in addition, when setting up out of office messages, please also 'suspend' your subscription to lis-e-resources. If you change your email address for any reason, please remember to unsubscribe your old email. Further information can be found at: http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/

iv. Your reply will go to the entire list unless you manually change the e-mail address. Be careful to send to your message where you intend it to go

v. List archives are available at https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=lis-e-resources

4. List Etiquette:

i. lis-e-resources is an unmoderated list, UKSG therefore relies on members of the list to uphold the following etiquette

ii. All postings must be in English

iii. lis-e-resources exists to encourage cooperation across the information sector and to stimulate debate. When replying please say

something substantial rather than simply, "I agree" or "I disagree". In addition, use descriptive subject lines so that others can understand the content of your post at a glance

iv. Try to add something to the discussion, say something new rather than repeating the same arguments

v. UKSG is the only organisation spanning the wide range of interests and activities across the scholarly information community. So agree to disagree as it is likely that there will be many different opinions out there, lis-e-resources is not a forum for evangelism

vi. We all get a lot of email, so take some of the conversations 'off list', especially when the interaction becomes centred around two or three individuals

vii. Do not send press releases and marketing material to the list, you may be very proud of your new journal issue, but if all publishers did this, lis-e-resources would be flooded with these sorts of communications and membership would decline rapidly. Most library customers will have already received this kind of material directly

viii. Please do not cut and paste blog posts to the list

ix. Try to make your posts short and to the point and be aware that sending too many posts at any one time may result in others getting information overload. You want to make sure that people will want to read what you say and comment!

x. However, please don't feel that you can't share new information, just don't cut and paste from the press release. lis-e-resources is a forum that allows everyone to engage in a more informal way. Do tell the list if you have some new information to impart, such as a series of webinars etc. Think information, not marketing

xi. You will be judged by the quality of your contributions, remember that this is a public list and try to maintain a professional decorum. Reputations can be made or ruined by contributions

xii. NEVER send e-mail in anger. By all means write one – but don't send it! Think things through first and then re-write it. Always be civil and treat others how you wish to be treated and respect the rights of others

These guidelines have been adapted from those issued by the ERIL list. UKSG would like to thank Emily McElroy and Abigail Bordeaux for their permission in letting us adapt their guidelines.