Library and Information Science Education in the Digital Age First Announcement and Call for Papers

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Since the Second International Symposium on Library and Information Science Education in the Digital Age, which was successfully hosted by the School of Information Management (SIM) of Wuhan University, China in the year of 2006, the Library and Information Education (LISE) has been facing new challenges, and new opportunities in the digital environment. It is also noticeable that the iSchools movement has been fast developing in recent years. In 2010, the year of 90th Anniversary of SIM (1920-2010), SIM will be holding the Third International Symposium on Library and Information Science Education in the Digital Age from October 9 to 11, 2010, as one of the celebration events of the Anniversary. This Symposium will take place at Wuhan University, China. With Wuhan University, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Pittsburgh, and Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) jointly serving as co-organizers, SIM, the Center for the Studies of Information Resources (CSIR) of Wuhan University, and the International Collaborative Academy of Library and Information Science (ICALIS) of Wuhan University will be co-hosting this venue.

The forthcoming Symposium aims to facilitate the academic exchanges between LIS educators and researchers at home and abroad, and to develop the relationships between China LIS circles and iSchools and ALISE. It also aims to tighten the ties between the education of Library Science, Information Science, Archival Science, and the professional practice.

1. Theme and Topics

The theme of this Symposium will be Challenges and Professional Future of Library and Information Science Education in New Environment. The topics under the theme will include:

- Challenge and Models of LISE in New Environment
- iSchools and the Reform and Innovation of LISE
- iSchools Movement and Its Impact on Asia LISE
- The Future of LISE in the New Environment
- The Education of Librarians in the New Information Environment
- How can iSchools develop quality and profession oriented LISE programs
- How can LISE play an active role in developing China Information Society and boosting the Information Literacy
 of general public
- Challenges to Archival Education and the Future of Archival Profession in the New Information Environment
- Comparative Research of Archival Higher Education in China and Other Countries
- Round-table Meeting of Sino-U.S. LIS Deans & Chairs for a discussion of the future & cooperation opportunities
- The Future of iSchools Graduate Education

The registration fees are waived. In addition to the local arrangements made by the organizers, the participants will take care of their own transportation and accommodations. The Symposium will be financially supported by the 211 Project of Wuhan University.

Requirements for Papers and Deadline for Submission

Paper submission must not be published, accepted for publishing, or under consideration for publication elsewhere. It will be up to the Academic Committee of the Symposium to make the decision on if your paper is accepted. The criteria for acceptance: (1) the importance of your topic; (2) the originality of your paper; (3) informative, reliable information in your paper; (4) presentation and expression of your paper; (4) if your paper has been published before. For specific requirements for the format of the paper, please also refer to the international standard. Please provide us with an eversion of your paper, which should be easy for editing and publishing. The Proceedings will be published.

The deadline for paper submissions will be September 1, 2010.

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