

Reports and Communications

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Forthcoming Conferences and Meetings

1997

23-25 August, Nagoya, Japan. IJCAI-97 Workshop on Ontologies and Multilingual NLP. For further information, view the web page: <http://crl.nmsu.edu/Events/IJCAI>

7-11 September, Lancaster, United Kingdom. 5th European Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work. Contact: ECSCW'97 Conference Office, Computing Dept., Lancaster University, Lancaster LA1 4YR UK.; e-mail: ecsw97@comp.lancs.ac.uk; +44 1524 593041; fax: +44 1524 593608; <http://www.comp.lancs.ac.uk/computing/research/cseg/ecscw97/>

26-28 September, Memphis, Tennessee. The Ethics of Electronic Information in the 21st Century. Contact: Tom Mendina, Assistant to the Director, University of Memphis Libraries; 901/678-4310; fax: 901/678-8212; e-mail: tmendina@cc.memphis.edu

15-18 October, Laurel Highlands, Pennsylvania. COSIT '97: Conference on Spatial Information Theory. Contact: Stephen Hirtle, School of Information Sciences, 135 N. Bellefield Ave., University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; 412/624-9434; fax: 412/624-2788; e-mail: cosit97@sis.pitt.edu

18-19 October, Warsaw, Poland. 2nd Congress: International Federation of Terminology Banks on Harmonization of Terminology and Bringing Closer Nations, Races and Religions in the European Union and Elsewhere. Contact: Secretariat: IFTB/IOUTN/MOUNT ul. Szturmowa 4 office: 509; 02-678 Warsaw, Poland; tel/fax: (48-22) 43 55 73

1-5 November, Washington D.C. ASIS Annual Meeting featuring Digital Collections: Implications for Users, Funders, Developers and Maintainers. Contact: ASIS, 8720 Georgia Ave., Suite 501, Silver Spring, MD 20910; 301/495-0900; fax: 301/495-0810.

1-6 November, Washington D.C. 8th ASIS SIG/Classification Research (CR) Workshop will be held in conjunction with the ASIS 60th Annual Meeting.

Forthcoming Workshops

2nd International Summer School on the Digital Library

The Tilburg Innovation Center for Electronic Resources in cooperation with Tilburg University and Elsevier Science is holding its 2nd summer school workshop from August 10-22, 1997 at Tilburg University, the Netherlands. Participants will receive hands-on sessions for advanced tools and digital library products. Group discussions will allow participants to present their own library case to other participants and lecturers. The themes of this workshop include: the future role in libraries; strategic planning; financial issues; electronic documents (copyright, journals, research papers, etc.); information technology (CD-ROMS, networks); Internet and WWW; users in an electronic environment; and preparing your library staff. This workshop benefits librarians from university, college, research and business libraries, and professors of library science.

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Conference Reports

308th Meeting, Classification Research Group

This meeting was held on Friday February 21, 1997 at the University College London. The meeting opened with a discussion on alphabetical indexes to classification schedules particularly to the indexes of the BC2 fascicules that have been published. At the meeting three sample index excerpts were examined, with the assistance from the BCA computer programs of the unfinalized classification schedules of BC2 Class U/V Technology. Other topics raised at the meeting included the style variations between one published fascicule index and another, problems in creating a satisfactory index to the whole BC2 system, and recommendations that a revised or new INDEX program should meet the specifications of an agreed indexing policy. The attendees also raised concerns about questionable results in existing published indexes.