The International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries (TPDL) constitutes a leading scientific forum on digital libraries that brings together researchers, developers, content providers and users in the field of digital libraries. TPDL 2016 will take place in Hannover, Germany on September 5-9, 2016. The conference will be jointly organized by the L3S Research Center and the German National Library of Science and Technology (TIB). Conference Patron is the Prime Minister of the federal state of Lower Saxony Stephan Weil.

Aims and scope

Valuable and rapidly increasing volumes of data are created or transformed into digital form by all fields of scientific, educational, cultural, and governmental and industry activities. For this purpose the digital libraries community has developed long-term and interdisciplinary research agendas, providing significant results, such as development of Digital Libraries, solving practical problems, accommodating research data and satisfying the needs of specific user communities.

The advent of the technologies that enhance the exchange of information with rich semantics is of particular interest in the community. Information providers interlink their metadata with user contributed data and offer new services outlook to the development of a web of data and addressing the interoperability and long-term preservation challenges.

TPDL 2016 introduces specialized tracks on Digital Humanities and e-Infrastructures to stimulate the discussions across different communities. Specialized tracks focus on topics that have a specific community interest but are related to digital libraries and archives.

Keynote Talks

- “Pretty Things Done with (Electronic) Texts: Why We Need Full-Text Access”, Jan Rybicki, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland
- “Metaphors All the Way Down: The many practical uses of figurative language understanding”, Tony Veale, University College Dublin, Ireland
- “Mozart’s Laptop: Implications for Creativity in Multimedia Digital Libraries and Beyond”, David Bainbridge, University of Waikato, and Director of the New Zealand Digital Library Research Project

Tutorials

TPDL 2016 presents the tutorials as sessions within the main part of the conference:

- “Introduction to Fedora 4”, David Wilcox, DuraSpace
- “Building Digital Library Collections with Greenstone 3”, David Bainbridge, University of Waikato
- “Text mining workflows for indexing archives with automatically extracted semantic metadata”, Riza Batista-Navarro & Axel Soto, University of Manchester

Workshops

- Videos in digital libraries: What’s in it for libraries, publishers and scientists?
- 15th European Networked Knowledge Organization Systems (NKOS)
- 1st International Workshop on Reproducible Open Science (RepScience2016)

Accepted Papers

A list of the accepted papers can be found here:

http://www.tpdl2016.org/papers

Venue

TPDL 2016 will be held in the Hannover Congress Centrum, Hannover, Germany.
Hannover is a pleasant, medium-sized city (516,000 inhabitants) in the northern part of Germany. The city is famous for its fairs, most importantly the annual CeBIT fair at which the latest technologies are presented. In 2000 the World Fair (Expo 2000) took place in Hannover. Historically, the city boasts to be the root of the Hanover line of the English royal family. At first sight, Hannover is a modest non-spectacular city; however, the city has many hidden beauties, including the historical Herrenhäuser Gärten, the new and old City Halls and the Eilenriede - Europe's largest city forest.

More information can be found in the TPDL 2016 Web page: http://www.tpdlnl.org/ 

Early Registration Deadline: July 31, 2016

TPDL 2016: Call for Participation