LIR Seminar 2015 Feedback Forms

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# Responses received:

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| --- | --- |
| In person | 16 |
| Online | 18 |
| Total | 34 |

# What was your main reason for attending?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| To learn more about Discovery Tools | 13 |
| Information gathering / Find out what others are doing | 5 |
| Speaking / Presenting | 3 |
| Utrecht presentation | 1 |
| Member of Committee | 1 |
| Received sponsored place; fulfilling learning objectives | 1 |
| CPD | 1 |

4 respondents left this question unanswered

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| --- | --- |
| **Did the day meet your expectations?** |  |
| All of my expectations were met | 16 |
| Most of my expectations were met | 13 |
| Some of my expectations were met | 4 |
| None of my expectations were met |  |
| Unanswered | 1 |
| **To what extent did you find the seminar “Interesting”** |
| Excellent | **Very Good** | **Average** | **Poor** | **Very Poor** |
| 12 | 21 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

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| **To what extent did you find the seminar “Informative”** |
| Excellent | **Very Good** | **Average** | **Poor** | **Very Poor** |
| 14 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 0 |

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| **To what extent did you find the seminar “Enjoyable”** |
| Excellent | **Very Good** | **Average** | **Poor** | **Very Poor** |
| 9 | 22 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

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| **To what extent did you find the seminar “Well Structured”** |
| Excellent | **Very Good** | **Average** | **Poor** | **Very Poor** |
| 18 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unanswered:- 1 |

# Which part did you find MOST interesting/useful?

The following is a table of how many times specific Presentations / Speakers were mentioned in answer to this question.

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| *Creating Engaging Web Scale Library Discovery for a Google*Generation*.* Hilary Kenna, Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design & Technology | 11 |
| *Thinking the Unthinkable: A Library Without a Catalogue*. Dorinne Raaimakers, Utrecht University Library | 11 |
| *Discovery Tools - Walking the Tightrope between Complexity and Simplicity* Ronán Kennedy, NUI Galway | 5 |
| *Transitioning a Vision to Reality: The Wales Higher Education Library Forum (WHELF) Shared Library Project* Gareth Owen & Mark Hughes, Wales Higher Education Libraries Forum | 3 |
| *One Size Fits Small? A Few Thoughts on Web Discovery.* Simon Perry, IT Carlow | 2 |
| *Bursary Winner's Report* Niamh Walker Headon, IT Tallaght | 2 |
| *Making Sense of the Data Jumble - Trinity College Library Dublin's Discovery Solution Experience*. Arlene Healy & Charles Montague, Trinity College Dublin | 1 |
| *Implementation and Impact of the Introduction of Summon at Maynooth University Library*. Valerie Payne & Laura Connaughton, Maynooth University | 1 |

**Further Comments**

4 respondents highlighted ***the variety of speakers***, and particularly ***the international perspective*** on maintaining and promoting discovery services.

“The honesty of the speakers”

“Practical stuff, implementation experiences, information on fallout with user population post-launch.”

“Don't honestly know - generally interesting”

4 respondents left this question unanswered

# Which part did you find LEAST interesting/useful?

The following is a table of how many times specific Presentations / Speakers were mentioned in answer to this question.

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| --- | --- |
| *Transitioning a Vision to Reality: The Wales Higher Education Library Forum (WHELF) Shared Library Project* Gareth Owen & Mark Hughes, Wales Higher Education Libraries Forum | 4 |
| *Thinking the Unthinkable: A Library Without a Catalogue*. Dorinne Raaimakers, Utrecht University Library | 2 |
| *Making Sense of the Data Jumble - Trinity College Library Dublin's Discovery Solution Experience*. Arlene Healy & Charles Montague, Trinity College Dublin | 2 |
| *Library Resource Discovery Service - is Instructional Help Necessary?* James Molloy, University College Dublin | 1 |
| *One Size Fits Small? A Few Thoughts on Web Discovery.* Simon Perry, IT Carlow | 1 |
|  |  |
| None / all good / everything was interesting | 7 |

**Further Comments**

I had already heard Ronan Kennedy's talk and the Utrecht presentation at UKSG - they were not significantly different from one/two years ago, but it was useful to hear them again.

Implementation of discovery products - seems to be more recent for Universities but not so new for IoTs.

Niamh's presentation seemed a bit like filler, and not necessarily directly relevant to discovery services.

We have RDL a few years, so was a bit out of date

All information was useful in awareness of issues involved with search layer innovation and implementation

13 respondents left this question unanswered

# What topics should be covered in future LIR Seminars/Workshops?

I'd be interested in digital humanities, metadata, library spaces. I'd like to attend one library conference in my lifetime that doesn't mention the "Google generation" though.

Similar, I think this issue of discovery will be current for the foreseeable future and affects a variety of parties. Digital marketing would also be useful, Niamh Walker-Headon's talk was really good and lots of material there to do a further workshop.

Which technologies students prefer to use when engaging with libraries. Which technologies not worth the investment.
Big data and libraries.
Security issues - library systems.
What makes innovation work in a library environment? Innovation strategies for libraries. What organisational cultures would encourage/enhance library innovation?

More digital stuff

Off Campus Access

Open Access

Digitisation.

Marketing

Special Collections / Archives Management

Marketing / Social Networking

Media Streaming

Research Support, Research Data Management, Bibliometrics

22 respondents left this question unanswered

# We’re looking to run a workshop related to programming for library staff. Would you be interested in this and what would you like us to cover? For example, would topics such as PHP, Javascript, RegEx, website troubleshooting or ‘Coding for Dummies’ be useful to you?

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| Yes | 8 |
| No | 3 |

The following is a table of how many times specific topics were mentioned in answer to this question.

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| --- | --- |
| Coding for Dummies | 3 |
| PHP | 3 |
| Javascript | 3 |
| Website Trouble-Shooting | 2 |
| RegEx | 1 |
| CSS Workshop | 1 |

**Further Comments**

Programming would be interesting, but would need to be a beginner’s session, so might be hard to find a level that would suit everybody.

Creation of java inserts for search engines that will log in off campus users

Crash Course - HTML XTML

14 respondents left this question unanswered

# Would you be interested in a digital marketing workshop?

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| --- | --- |
| Yes | 22 |
| No | 4 |

**Further Comments**

The Library is very interested in marketing, so one on digital marketing would be very useful.

7 respondents left this question unanswered

# Any other comments? Suggestions for improvements?

I think the greater variety of opinions that are given a forum the better. Great to hear about Utrecht University moving away from Discovery tools and Academics getting involved in building one in IADT.

It was a very well balanced programme with very interesting speakers. I liked the combination of small presentations mixed with longer presentations.

Overall a very good event, good to hear experiences from libraries using the three most popular discovery services. Always good to see everyone too, a longer lunch would have good, it went too quickly!

Overall, LIR this year was quite good. Last year was really poor, and I was critical of it in feedback at the time, as too many presenters seemed to be giving talks to bulk up their CV. There was less of that this year. Most presenters this year actually had something to say, so the quality control was better. All the talks were engaging and held the attention.
Trinity Long Room Hub was a good venue.
Sandwiches are usually dreadful at these kinds of events and yesterday was no exception.
Thanks though, overall it was well worth attending.

The day was really well organised, very informative and enjoyable. Thank you very much. Well done. The venue was ideal.

Please provide drinking water if possible.

Really great, thank you.

Thank you to the LIR committee.

More comfortable chairs

Nice venue. Well organised.

Venue good - central.