

Editor's Note

Welcome to UKeiG's first issue of eLucidate for 2017.

This issue features an enlightening and informative selection of articles. Last year Marlize Palmer was presented with the UKeiG Information Manager of the Year Award. She is the Welsh Government's Head of Information and Archive Services and Departmental Records Officer and offers a fascinating insight into the challenges of information management in a government setting. "The information management profession in government is changing fast. The emergence of big data, social media, cloud and mobile-based services presents massive challenges and opportunities for information professionals and librarians working in government and at the Welsh Government in particular."

Michael Upshall highlights some innovations and issues around search technologies, touching on serendipity, taxonomy, user engagement and relevance. Martin White gets to grips with the complexity of collaborative working in the digital environment. "Virtual meetings are fast becoming the default meeting format." What challenges do virtual teams face, particularly in an international, corporate setting? There's a feature on UKeiG's Members' Day, held at CILIP's London headquarters on the 16th March 2017. It showcased the theme of information modelling using data and metrics: the analysis, exploitation, utilisation, management and visualisation of data in a number of settings, including the construction industry and public libraries. We also feature an update on the UKeiG CPD programme, highlight some new digital resources and provide a sneak peek into the planning for this year's ILI - Library Innovation Conference.

Please note that eLucidate is now published three times a year: Spring, Summer and Winter. We endeavour to feature contributions from experts in the field, keeping members up to date with developments and innovations in the digital information industry, considering the impact on information professionals and consumers of e-information. Core topics for consideration include: digital literacy, effective information retrieval and search technologies, intranets, social media, open access, e-publishing and e-industry research and development. UKeiG encourages the submission of articles and reports about any of the topics covered by the journal, and contributions and suggestions for content can be emailed to me at gary.horrocks@gmail.com.

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