

ILI – The Library Innovation Conference 17th & 18th October 2017, Olympia Conference Centre London *www.internet-librarian.com*

Super-powered libraries: innovation, influence, impact

Now in its nineteenth successful year, ILI (Internet Librarian International) remains Europe's friendliest forum for exchanging ideas, learning new skills, hearing about new tools and tech, and exploring different approaches to your library's services, clients and communities. Once again, UKeiG is collaborating with this important library innovation conference to offer UKeIG members a 25% discount on the full conference fee.

<u>ILI's conference programme is announced next month</u> and, with a record number of submissions embracing this year's theme - Super-powered libraries: innovation, influence, impact - *eLucidate* caught up with ILI's conference co-chairs as they finesse the programme to find out what we can look forward to this October.



"As always, I'm looking forward to seeing what other libraries are doing to innovate in their areas of interest. Having been fortunate enough to look at the proposed papers I know that there are some really interesting talks covering fake news and some excellent case studies ... there's always the excellent networking opportunities as well. Not forgetting the chance to meet librarians from around the world. ILI is always good value for money and I'm very much of the opinion that this year is going to be the best ever!" **Phil Bradley**,

Information Specialist and Information Consultant, UK

"I'm always amazed at the creativity and innovation of speakers at ILI. It's exciting to learn from people doing interesting projects in their libraries, making a difference in their communities, and using technology to effectively engage their users. I'm particularly interested in hearing what the opening keynote speaker, Kate Torney, has to say about factors disrupting the library profession." Marydee Ojala, Editor-in-Chief, Online Searcher, USA



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"The crowd and the energy at ILI is always amazing. I am looking forward to the discussions about how libraries can have even more impact in our knowledge societies in the changed information environment where (alternative) facts matter.

"ILI is one of the highlights of the library year because you always leave with new insights from colleagues from elsewhere in the world. The power of an international think tank of highly

skilled librarians should never be underestimated. That is why this year's theme is wonderful - because a lot of superpowers will be assembled at the days of the conference and all the participants will leave with new skills and superpowers. I plan to acquire more superpowers myself!" Jan Holmquist, Global Librarian & Assistant Library Director at Guldborgsund Public Library, Denmark

One thing the programme promises is that finding, communicating and ensuring the success and sustainability of our libraries remains top of the ILI agenda, and this year's

Keynote Speaker Kate Torney, CEO of Australia's oldest and busiest library - the State Library of Victoria - speaks directly to that theme. In her Keynote, Making a noise about a quiet revolution, Kate celebrates the guiet revolution within today's libraries and the sector's embrace of disruption,

"The library sector offers a great example of successful transformation in an age of digital disruption and the results are something to shout about." She comments,

"In Victoria, public libraries have never been busier, as library leaders have quietly reimagined their services and programs and enhanced the role



Kate Tornev CEO, State Library of Victoria, Australia

of the library as a trusted, much loved community resource.

"Far from under threat, these libraries represent an inspiring story of transformation; of the ability to reshape iconic institutions to ensure they remain relevant and highly valued for generations to come."

UKeiG members benefit from a 25% discount on the full conference fee. ILI's full conference programme will be announced in June. To be sure you hear first, reserve your copy of the programme here.

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