Editor's Note

Welcome to Volume 16, issue 2 2020 of UKeiG's e-journal eLucidate. I'd like to thank the information professionals and experts who consistently contribute a diverse range of absorbing and informative topics to every issue. Please keep the articles and reports coming. They are the lifeblood of this publication.

UKeiG is proud to announce the launch of eLucidate on a new web platform, using the Public Knowledge Project's Open Journal Systems (OJS) hosted by the University of Alberta.

PKP is a multi-university initiative developing free open source software and conducting research to improve the quality and reach of scholarly publishing.

Open Journal Systems (OJS) is an open source software application for managing and publishing scholarly articles and issues online. Originally developed and released by PKP in 2001 to improve access to research, it is a widely used open source international journal publishing platform.

In the first phase of our OJS project the entire sixteen year run of eLucidate, previously only available to readers as an entire issue PDF download, can now be searched and downloaded on an article by article basis. Abstracts, keywords and subject categories are being added to enhance the search functionality, but this is an ongoing process, so please bear with us.

You can also register to receive notifications of new content and publications. Just click on the 'Register' button at the top-right of the eLucidate home page and tick the box: 'Yes, I would like to be notified of new publications and announcements' near the bottom of the screen. Authors are now able make online submissions to eLucidate. You will first need to register a user account with the journal and log in. Start the process by clicking on the 'Register' button at the top-right of the home page.

The second phase of the project will utilise OJS as a tool for managing UKeiG's editorial workflow. It offers some great features, including peer review. OJS is also integrated with scholarly publishing services including Crossref, ORCiD, and DOAJ and is recommended by Google Scholar for ease of indexing and discoverability.

David Ball, Chair of UKeiG, welcomed the launch, saying 'this represents a major step forward for eLucidate, in terms of its continuation as a Diamond Open Access journal and

of the discoverability and accessibility of its content. The comprehensive functionality of the OJS software will be of great benefit to readers, authors and the editorial team of eLucidate. We are most grateful to the University of Alberta for their support and hosting.'

Special thanks go to Sonya Betz and Emily Zheng from the University of Alberta Libraries team for patiently holding our hands throughout this project, and to UKeiG management committee member Ralph Samuels for his time, effort and oversight of the project.

This issue of eLucidate opens with a fascinating feature on Linked Data (LD) for libraries, archives and other cultural heritage institutions. Lucy McKenna is in the final year of her PhD in the ADAPT Centre, Trinity College Dublin. The Centre, funded by Science Foundation Ireland, 'focuses on developing next generation digital technologies that transform how people communicate by helping to analyse, personalise and deliver digital data more effectively for businesses and individuals. ADAPT researchers are based in four leading universities: Trinity College Dublin, Dublin City University, University College Dublin and Dublin Institute of Technology. ADAPT's transformative tools allow you explore video, text, speech and image data in a natural way across languages and devices, helping companies unlock opportunities that exist within digital content to re-imagine how to connect people, process and data to realise new economic value.' Lucy invites library and information professionals to evaluate an LD interlinking framework that she has developed as part of her research. She is also looking for information professionals who would like to trial the framework locally to create interlinks from their organisation's LD datasets.

Martin White, Managing Director of Intranet Focus Ltd, issues a note of caution as the omnipresent Microsoft Office 365 makes further inroads into enterprise wide federated search capability. He offers invaluable advice on key questions that you should ask your IT department before they lead you by the nose to a total O365 search solution. At the end of the day, a sound business case based upon an information management and digital workplace strategy, is fundamental to success. 'A federated search implementation must add value to the user experience and to the achievement of business objectives.' Always the voice of reason.

Last year UKeiG was delighted to announce that the winners of two UKeiG bursary places for the 2019 CILIP Conference 2019 were Natasha Chowdory and Stephen Furlong. Stephen's reflections on the event were published in Volume 16 (1) of eLucidate, and we are delighted to publish Natasha's in this issue. We're also delighted that Natasha is the winner of the inaugural UKeiG Early Career Award, and we celebrate that in this issue. Her article views the conference with a knowledge and information management (K&IM)

perspective, and she introduces several themes, including diversity and inclusion, artificial intelligence, digital futures and evolving skills sets.

On the theme of K&IM, Real Knowledge Management's Dion Lindsay offers his thoughts on Katherine Schopflin and Matt Walsh's 'Practical Knowledge and Information Management' (Facet Publishing, 2019.)

Aberystwyth University's Joy Cadwallader updates us on all things online from COVID-19 to VAT on e-publications. 'VAT on e-books and online newspapers was abolished in the March 2020 budget but sadly not for audiobooks, a particular blow for the disability campaigners such as the RNIB.'

As UKeiG prepares to launch the call for nominations for the 2020 Strix Award, we announce that this year's annual memorial lecture will take place in London on the afternoon of Thursday, 26th November at the Royal Society of Chemistry. We celebrate the award in this issue.

Little did I know when I was completing eLucidate that we would all be entering the maelstrom of a devastating pandemic. Although UKeiG's professional development programme continues to be a huge success attracting delegates from all sectors and disciplines of the library and information profession, we have obviously postponed many of our courses and workshops until a later date. We've sponsored three successful webinars, hosted by CILIP on the topics of open access monographs, natural language processing and advanced search commands, and will be developing this virtual strand in response to the challenges of COVID-19. Jisc have published a page 'Ensuring access to key digital resources for teaching, learning and research,' and there are many initiatives and virtual handling strategies that the library and information community have put in place to weather this storm. We'd be delighted if you'd share your experiences of the lockdown with UKeiG for a future issue of eLucidate.

eLucidate is published three times per volume: around spring, autumn 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 the email address below.

Please refer to Notes for Contributors for further information.

I hope that you enjoy this issue. Please share your opinions and feedback and join us in discussions on social media. You can find us on LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook and also visit the UKeiG webpage for regular news and updates. Our JiscMail discussion list – LIS-UKEIG – is an invaluable networking forum, and don't forget that you can sign up for free UKeiG membership via the CILIP web pages. Once you've joined us, you'll receive our regular e-newsletter.

Best wishes to you all, and please stay safe and well.

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