Upcoming Conference News

Joint Meeting with SSP on Information Policies
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NASIG is pleased to invite you to a joint program on information policy along with our affiliate society, the Society for Scholarly Publishing (SSP). The event will be held on May 27, 2015 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia (part of the Washington, D.C. metro area).

The focus of the joint program will be on issues surrounding public policy relating to open access, article submission and publication requirements from funding agencies, access issues for the print disabled, intellectual property, and copyright law and fair use. This presents a great opportunity for attendees to strengthen their knowledge and understanding of these critical issues. Speakers will provide attendees with a better understanding of current information policy and its impact on attendees’ roles in their local contexts.

Featured speakers have been selected for their ability to address different perspectives on these topics, and include Scott Plutchak (Director, Digital Data Curation Strategy at the University of Alabama at Birmingham), Jayne Marks (Vice President of Publishing, Wolters Kluwer), and Caitlin Tresande (Head of Research Policy, Digital Science, and Senior Strategy Editor for Nature). In addition, NASIG and SSP have invited two other speakers with expertise in intellectual property and copyright.

Our purpose in providing this continuing education opportunity is for attendees to have an entire day devoted to learning, debating, and dialoging with the speakers and each other on these important topics. The final part of the joint program will feature a wrap-up session of all five speakers as panelists. They will help attendees see into possible futures as well as address audience questions.

Plan to join us for what is sure to be an educational and informative day of conversation on topics that are close to the hearts (and minds) of publishers, librarians, and vendors. Registration for the event will be available in March on both the SSP and NASIG websites.