PAC Centres: Planning for 2017-18

Centre:

North America PAC at Library of Congress United States

Language of Communication:

English

Website (if different to existing IFLA page):

https://www.loc.gov/preservation/

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What activities to you plan to carry out to support international cooperation in 2017-18?

In support of international preservation science research Library of Congress will include the activities:

International Image Interoperability Framework (IIIF) Conference Meeting – Toronto Oct 2017. PRTD developing the integration of linked heritage science data with structured metadata into IIIF framework.

Research Data Alliance (RDA) 11th International Plenary, Berlin, March 18-21, 2018 LC staff collaborating with EU colleagues for E-RIHS and expanding structured infrastructure for cultural heritage data

Which other countries are you working with?

All PAC regional centres receive update information about new initiatives or updated information on our website, including upcoming programs, which are webcast.

Which new countries are you planning to work with?

Nothing new planned

What activities do you plan to carry out at the national/local level in 2017-18?

Update website with additional information useful for disaster planning and recovery

What workshops, training courses or events do you plan to carry out in 2017-18?

TOPS talk/webcast January 2018 Randy Silverman on disaster planning and recovery Preservation Week program in April 2018 providing tours and videos of all preservation divisions with their activities. These will be made available on our website.

What standards, guidelines and/or best practices will you develop and share in 2017-18?

We continue to review our best practices, in particular in digital through FADGI What actions will you take to promote the IFLA Risk Register in 2017-18?

Announce at the beginning of programs and through email listservs

Do you have any other plans you would like to share?

Having just updated the average cost of publications by subject on our website, https://www.loc.gov/preservation/emergprep/insurancemain.html

we will investigate if other PAC centres may also wish to share average publication costs across their publishing industry to make more international the insurance valuation of damaged materials. We will look at other possible Spanish language resources to make available such as what is already available https://www.loc.gov/preservation/espanol/

With which partners will you work?

Continue to work with the University College London (UCL) Science and Engineering in Arts, Heritage and Archaeology (SEAHA) in a doctoral training course that delivers cross—disciplinary heritage science for a diverse range of preservation specialists. LC (PRTD) staff act as supervisors for the heritage component of the academia-heritage-industry co-supervisory committee for students.