

Shared Repositories Infrastructure Advisory Committee (SRIAC) Terms of Reference

Purpose

The role of SRIAC is to provide CARL directors and those working on the shared repositories project with guidance and recommendations for strategies specific to shared digital repository hosting and technology infrastructure. The shared repositories initiative supports a vision of “advancing national open infrastructures,” to ensure Canadian research institutions have access to sustainable digital repository platforms that can be shared for common purposes, and with a goal of making the most of collective and institutional resources.

Responsibilities

SRIAC is expected to offer guidance in the following areas:

- Advising CARL and the project director on use cases, platform selection criteria and priorities, implementation path, timelines, organizational and financial sustainability models, and other areas that support the success of the project.
- Identifying practical and timely strategies for hosting and platform support
- Leveraging existing infrastructure and investment in operating at scale (national or otherwise) with mission and sustainability in mind
- Identifying integration or bridging opportunities where shared repositories can support standards-based practices, e.g., PID adoption, discovery and indexing, long-term preservation.

Reporting

Reporting to the Advancing Research Committee (ARC) and working closely with the Project Director for National Shared Repositories Infrastructure, the committee will operate until August 2023, at which time the mandate and scope will be reviewed.

Respectful of time, the committee is anticipated to meet monthly with the possibility of task work and communications occurring between meetings.

Membership

Corey Davis, Visiting Program Officer, CARL & Digital Preservation Officer, University of Victoria

Kate Davis, Interim Director, Scholars Portal

Rebecca Dickson, Digital Stewardship Network Coordinator, COPPUL

Lisa Goddard, Associate University Librarian, University of Victoria

Geoff Harder, Project Director, National Shared Repository Infrastructure, CARL & Associate University Librarian, University of Alberta

Mark Jordan, Associate Dean of Libraries for Digital Strategy, Simon Fraser University

Allison Kelly, Federal Science Libraries Network, Government of Canada

James MacGregor, Manager, Research Infrastructure and Development, CRKN
Jamie MacKenzie, Acting Associate Dean of Libraries, University of New Brunswick; CAAL
Barbara McDonald, Associate University Librarian, University of Guelph
Beth Namachchivaya, University Librarian, University of Waterloo; OCUL
Mike Nason, Open Scholarship and Publishing Librarian, University of New Brunswick
Jenn Riley, Associate Dean, McGill University; PBUQ
Dale Storie, Associate Dean, University of Regina
Mark Swartz, Scholarly Communications Librarian, Queen's University
Wei Xuan, Associate University Librarian, University of Manitoba

The Visiting Program Officer for Digital Preservation will participate in the group and serve as a liaison with the Digital Preservation Working Group. The CARL Research Associate (**Kathleen Shearer**) and CARL Executive Director (**Susan Haigh**) will also participate on an *ex officio* basis. The Project Director, National Shared Repositories Infrastructure, will serve as Chair and work with CARL to coordinate meeting schedules and other logistics.

Meetings and Work Processes

Meetings will be held monthly or as needed to advance work. Meetings will be held virtually unless otherwise sensible. The Chair will post agendas and minutes in the SRIAC shared drive for members to comment on and provide feedback. The committee will provide advisory guidance and feedback to the project director in support of achieving the project's goals.

Communications

CARL will set up a mailing list for the advisory members to communicate internal committee business (use PROJA-CARL-L@LISTSERV.UOTTAWA.CA). To ensure progress and updates are shared with the broader CARL+ community, CARL-L and REPOS-L will be used for wider information sharing.

Code of Conduct

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