



## Collection Management: Sharing Experiences – Dublin 2018

Joint Seminar Organised by CONUL Collections and CONUL Training & Development  
Wednesday 24th October 2018 at the Royal Irish Academy, Dublin

### Programme

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| <b>09.30 - 10.30</b> | <b>Registration and refreshments</b>  |
| 10.30 - 10.45        | <b>Welcome and Update on the work of the CONUL Collections Group</b> – Eoin McCarney, Head of Published Collections, National Library of Ireland and Chair of CONUL Collections Group   |
| 10.45 - 11.30        | <b>The Cooperative Storage Library Switzerland (CSLS): how to build a library across institutional and regional borders</b> - Daniel Tschirren, Deputy Director, Zentral-und Hochschulbibliothek Luzern   |
| 11.30 - 12.15        | <b>‘Growin’ Up: early experiences of shared collection management in Wales</b> - Mark Hughes, Head of Libraries, Cardiff Metropolitan University  |
| <b>12.15 - 13.15</b> | <b>Lunch</b>  |
| 13.15 – 14.00        | <b>From here to posterity: managing low use collections at the University of Manchester Library</b> - Vanessa McHugh, Stock Operations Manager, University of Manchester  |
| 14.00 – 15.10        | <u>Lightening talks (15 minutes) from CONUL members</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>The Automated Storage and Retrieval System (ASRS) at the University of Limerick</b> - Ciara McCaffrey, University of Limerick</li><li>2. <b>Planning to change: redefining our collections</b> - Hugh Murphy, Head of Collections &amp; Content, Maynooth University Library</li><li>3. <b>Collections Management through the ages: how little has changed</b> - Laura Shanahan, Head of Research Collections, Trinity College Dublin</li><li>4. <b>Redefining collections: Collection management and weeding with GreenGlass in UCD Library</b>- Catherine Ryan, University College Dublin</li><li>5. <b>Q&amp;A</b> (10 mins)</li></ol> |

<b>15.10 – 15.30</b>	<b>Refreshments</b>
<b>15.30 – 16.15</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Theme ‘What makes collaboration work’ - Panel Discussion</b></p> <p><u>Panel Participants:</u></p> <p><b>Eoin McCarney</b>, National Library of Ireland and Chair of CONUL Collections Group</p> <p><b>Margaret Flood</b>, Keeper (Collection Management), Trinity College Dublin</p> <p><b>Mark Hughes</b>, Head of Libraries, Cardiff Metropolitan University,</p> <p><b>Ulrich Niederer</b>, former Director of the Central and University Library, Lucerne</p>
<b>16.15</b>	<b>Close</b>

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES**

**Mark Hughes** has worked in libraries for nearly 20 years, spending time in both the public and academic library sectors. He has a track record of involvement in library technology and inter-service co-operation and has been involved in numerous large scale technology and library building / refurbishment projects such as the WHELF Shared LMS project and Swansea University’s Bay Campus Library design and build. He was recipient of the CILIP Cymru ‘Welsh Librarian of the Year’ award on 2015. He has been in post as ‘Head of Libraries’ at Cardiff Metropolitan University since 2016

**Ciara McCaffrey** is the Deputy Librarian at UL and has held roles in the libraries at UL, TCD, DIT and UCC. In her current role she coordinates cross-library management processes, namely HR, finance, quality, assessment, communications, legislative matters and library-wide projects. She was heavily involved with planning and operationalising the new library building at UL and led the library project to implement the Automated Storage Retrieval System – the first of its kind in Europe.

**Vanessa McHugh** is the Stock Operations Manager at the University of Manchester Library, working within the Collection Development, Store and Stock Management Team. With a background of more than two decades in public and academic libraries in both customer service and collections-focussed roles, Vanessa has in recent years developed a strong interest in project management. She served as Project Manager for both the RFID Implementation Project and the recent Stock Management Project at Manchester, and is currently working on the plans for a complex reorganisation of the book stock at the largest library in the system, which involves the relocation of 22 kilometres of material.

**Hugh Murphy** has worked in Maynooth University Library since October 2010, having worked previously in University College Dublin Library and in the National Library of Ireland. His current role involves leading the new Collections and Content department, which takes responsibility for the development and curation of all library collections as well as associated process such as collection management. Since 2005, he has acted as an occasional lecturer in the Information and Library

Studies in UCD. He also lectures on Maynooth University's MA in Historical Archives and MA in Media Studies and is currently pursuing doctoral studies in early 19<sup>th</sup> century history. Hugh's main professional interests lie in the areas of collection development, library buildings, and resource description and he has published and spoken nationally and internationally on these topics. His sense of self-effacement remains unmatched.

**Ulrich Niederer** is the former Director of the Central and University Library Lucerne. After his studies in German and English language and literature at the University of Basel Ulrich Niederer taught literature at his university's German Institute and finished his PhD. From 1991 to 1995 he worked as Deputy Director at the City Library of Winterthur, from 1995 to 2017 as Director at the Central and University Library Lucerne. He retired in July 2017.

**Catherine Ryan** is responsible for cataloguing and collection development for several schools in University College Dublin Library. She is also the Collections Support Librarian and is responsible for reporting and analysis on the collections and the work of the Collection Services Unit, using data to support effective decision making. She works extensively with the library management system, Sierra. Catherine previously worked in the National Library of Ireland, the Digital Repository of Ireland, and the Library of Trinity College, Dublin.

**Laura Shanahan** recently joined the Library of Trinity College Dublin as Head of Research Collections, leading the manuscripts, archives, early printed books, maps and music collections. She was previously Head of Collections Development and Access at the University of Edinburgh, the *verso* to this new position: leading metadata, collection management (incl. offsite storage), acquisitions, e-resources, and online reading lists. Other experience at Edinburgh included involvement in a European-funded multi-partner digitisation project, project management of an exhibition in the University's public gallery, and project coordination of the £60M Main Library Redevelopment Project. Specifically significant to her presentation is Laura's previous involvement in large-scale collection moves projects and the establishment of new associated services (such as scan-on-demand), and large scale collection de-duplication to provide new student spaces (123,000 books withdrawn).

**Dani Tschirren** is Deputy Director, Zentral-und Hochschulbibliothek Luzern. He studied History and Geography at the Universities of Berne and Zurich. During his employment at the Library and Archive of the ETH Zurich he completed an MA in Library and Information Science. From 2001 until 2014 he was head of customer services and facility management at the University Library of Basel. Since 2015 he has been Deputy Director at the Central and University Library Lucerne.