



Information Policies *in Science*

International Seminar on “Scientific Information Policies in the Digital Age: Enabling Factors and Barriers to Knowledge Sharing and Transfer”

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Research Rationale

The Ceris Institute of the Italian National Research Council and the LIAS Department of the University of Malta are organising an International Seminar on “Scientific Information Policies in the Digital Age: enabling factors and barriers to Knowledge Sharing”, to be held on 16 September 2013 in Rome, at the premises of the Italian National Research Council.

This is the third of a series of exploratory Seminars organised within the framework of the “Information Policies in Science (IPS)” project, launched by Ceris in 2009 with the main aim of understanding the impact on the Humanities of the complex set of Scientific Information Policies in place for Knowledge Sharing and Transfer. In view of the above, the Information Policies in Science (IPS) project intends to define a reference framework for analysing and comparing information policies along multiple dimensions, and tailored to diverse disciplinary contexts, given how much scholarly disciplines may differ in their information habits and environments.

The research area of the Humanities constitutes a major focus of the IPS project, since Humanities research is increasingly required today to sustain its position within the Knowledge Economy paradigm. Guided by the rationale of the “Information Policies in Science” project, the Seminar focuses on the theme of Knowledge Sharing and Transfer in their various aspects of policy concern, and will explore the opportunities, barriers and driving forces for the circulation of knowledge, as they emerge from the current context of scholarly communication and from the European Commission’s policy indications. The perspective adopted is broad enough to include all Research domains; nevertheless, a focus is on Knowledge Sharing and Transfer in the Humanities. Topics, therefore, include but are not restricted to:

Accessibility of information
Availability of information
Censorship - Privacy
Knowledge transfer

Information literacy in science
Free flow of information
Long-term preservation
e-infrastructures

Research Infrastructures
Scientific Language barriers
Open data
Information Commons

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