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## LIBER ANNUAL CONFERENCE SURVEY LONDON, 2015

### Key Findings

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2015 conference survey. 32% of the c. 450 delegates gave us feedback on LIBER 2015. The main findings of the survey are listed below and will be used to improve the [2016 Annual Conference](#) in Helsinki, Finland.

Overall you were pleased with the Annual Conference. 92% rated the conference as 'good' or 'very good', and the parallel sessions were rated as 'good' or 'very good' by approximately 90% of attendees.

The highest ranking keynote speech 'Science and the Library in the 21st Century' was given by Sir Mark Walport, Chief Scientific Adviser to HM Government and Head of the Government Office for Science. [Watch it on Youtube](#).

The **Leadership Seminar** was once again strongly commended by those who participated in it. A new seminar programme, aimed at the next generation of senior leaders in European research libraries, will start in 2015. Register your interest [on the LIBER website](#).

### Top Parallel Sessions

The ten most **Highly Rated Parallel Sessions** were:

1. **Preservation of Enhance Publications** (Barbara Sierman, *Royal Library, The Netherlands*)
2. **Be Careful What You Wish For – Unexpected Policy Consequences** (Danny Abigail Kingsley, *University of Cambridge, UK*)
3. **Can Computational Knowledge Discovery Tools Speed up Scientific Discovery?** (Pinar Öztürk and Erwin Marsi, *Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway*, Natalia Manola, *University of Athens, Greece*)
4. **Actions to Ensure the Integrity and Continuity of the Scholarly Record** (Peter Michael Burnhill, Adam Rusbridge and Muriel Mewissen, *University of Edinburgh, UK*, Herbert Van De Sompel, *Los Alamos National Laboratory Research Library, USA*, Gaelle Bequet, *ISSN International Centre, France*)
5. **Open and Reproducible Analytical Workflows in the Humanities: The Case of Finnish Bibliographic Metadata** (Leo Lahti, *University of Wageningen, The Netherlands*, Mikko Tolonen and Krister Lindén, *University of Helsinki, Finland*, Maija Paavolainen, *Helsinki University Library, Finland*)
6. **A Library Infrastructure for the Practices of Scholarly Communication** (Sofie Wennström, *Stockholm University, Sweden*)
7. **Is Europe Falling Behind in Data Mining? Copyright Law's Impact on Data Mining in Academic Research** (Christian Handke, *The Erasmus University, The Netherlands*, Lucie Guibault and Joan Josep Vallbé, *University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands*)
8. **Transparency: The Emerging Third Dimension of Open Science** (Elizabeth Josephine Lyon, *University of Pittsburgh, USA*)
9. **The Missing Piece: Saving Software for Reproducible Research** (Jez Cope, *Imperial College London, UK*)
10. **Making Research Data Repositories Visible – The re3data.org Registry** (Frank Scholze, *Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany*, Heinz Pampel, *GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences, Germany*, Paul Vierkant, *Humboldt – Universität zu Berlin, Germany*)

## How We Can Improve

You suggested a number of improvements for future Annual Conferences:

- Provide programme details further in advance
- More diverse panel sessions
- More targeted sponsor presentations

## What's Next?

We very much appreciate your feedback and will take it into consideration as we plan the 2016 Annual Conference in Helsinki, Finland.

If you would like to provide further feedback on the 2015 Conference, this survey or LIBER in general, please email Susan De Castro Reid, Office Manager: [suzanne.reid@kb.nl](mailto:suzanne.reid@kb.nl).

For more information on the 2016 Annual Conference, please see: <http://www.liber2016.org>.

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