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Are You Ready for the Researcher of the Future: Understanding the researcher experience
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About the Chair and Speakers

Harriet Bell, Marketing Director, Emerald Publishing
Harriet has held roles across marketing, publishing and product development within academic publishing for over 20 years. Following graduation from the University of Oxford, she joined Reed Elsevier and played leading roles in ScienceDirect, the launch of Scopus, The Lancet, Elsevier’s society business, and most recently Mendeley. Harriet joined the board of directors at Emerald Publishing in October 2015 with responsibility for marketing, product development and business insight departments.

Joseph Brown, Senior Editorial Manager (Cross Journal), PLOS
Joseph Brown is a Senior Editorial Manager at PLOS, managing systems and processes for PLOS Medicine, PLOS Biology, PLOS Pathogens, PLOS Genetics, PLOS Computational Biology and PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases. Joe has been closely involved with the PLOS project to build a custom submission and review system and has been providing input on workflow requirements from a publishing point of view. Prior to joining PLOS in 2013, Joe worked on The Lancet suite of journals at Elsevier after completing a Masters in Publishing in 2006.

Alecia Carter, Churchill College Research Fellow, Zoology, University of Cambridge
Alecia is a Junior Research Fellow at Churchill College, with the University of Cambridge's Department of Zoology. Her research investigates how individuals access information to make decisions. In particular, Alecia studies how individuals use their social network to access information, and how their individual characteristics constrains their use of information.

Lettie Y Conrad, Executive Program Manager, Online Products, SAGE Publishing
Lettie Conrad came to SAGE in 2006 after managing the publications program for a think tank in Washington, DC. As an Executive Program Manager in SAGE’s Online Products Team, Lettie leads a group of specialists who expand SAGE’s capacity for digital product development innovations. She is instrumental in launching user-centered web and mobile products, driving research and analysis that enable evidence-based product management to maintain outstanding quality of SAGE platforms. Currently, she serves as co-chair for NISO’s Open Discovery Initiative, as a member of the ALPSP 2015 Planning Committee and NISO Education Committee, and as an Associated Editor for Learned Publishing. Lettie has a master’s degree in Mass Communication from California State University, Northridge, and is currently a candidate for the Information Science PhD Gateway Program from California State University, San Jose, and the Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane.

Aimee Eckert, PhD Student, Genome Centre, Sussex University
I am a PhD student at the University of Sussex, researching the role of the cell cycle in cancer cell growth. When not in the lab, I enjoy learning about science communication and volunteer for STEMNET and co-run PubhD Brighton.
Sarah Foxen, Postgraduate Researcher, Department of Modern Languages, University of Exeter
Sarah is a postgraduate researcher in French Linguistics at the University of Exeter. Her research investigates how accent and identity interact in the Franco-Belgian borderland. She is also interested in trends and developments in academia, and blogs about researcher skills, research and impact from the perspective of a junior academic.

Tracy Gardner, Consultant, Simon Inger Consulting Limited
Tracy Gardner has worked in journals since 1997. Throughout her career she has been focused on improving the communication channels between publishers, intermediaries and librarians and understands the business of scholarly publishing from many different perspectives. Tracy is a trainer on UKSG’s E Resources Technical Update course, and its Negotiation Skills course, as well as courses for publishers in association with ALPSP.

Billy Graeff, Doctoral Student, Sociology of Sports, Loughborough University and Lecturer, Federal University of Rio Grande, Brazil
Billy Graeff is a lecturer in sports at the Federal University of Rio Grande, Brazil. He is also a PhD researcher at Loughborough University, UK. His main interests are in the social aspects of sports and he is currently developing research on sport mega events.

John Hammersley, Co-Founder & CEO, Overleaf
After completing a PhD in Mathematical Physics in 2008, John went on to help design the world’s first driverless taxi system now operating at London’s Heathrow Airport. He co-founded Overleaf to make it easier for scientists to collaborate and publish online. This award-winning service now has over 350,000 authors worldwide.

Samuel Ibenne, Doctoral Researcher, School of Business, Loughborough University
Samuel Ibenne is currently in his third year studying for a PhD at the Centre for Information Management, School of Business and Economics, Loughborough University, UK. His research interest is on the information experiences and practices of paediatric physicians in Nigeria. He works with Abia State University Uturu, in Nigeria.

Miriam Keshani, Head of Product, Sparrho
Miriam was selected as one of the 25 under 25 by CodeFirst: Girls and is currently Head of Product at Sparrho. After 2 years of being responsible for all elements of ‘user happiness’ (as Chief Happiness Officer) she has now taken what she learned to re-define Sparrho’s product offering (early 2016). She read Natural Sciences at University College London and has an MPhil in Nanotechnology from the University of Cambridge.

Nikoleta Kiapidou, Doctoral Researcher, Department of Politics, University of Sussex
I am an ESRC-funded Doctoral Researcher at the Sussex European Institute, University of Sussex, looking at how national party systems changed during the Eurozone crisis. I am also an Associate Tutor teaching research methods at the Department of Politics, University of Sussex, and a Senior Library Assistant working on Open Access at the University of Sussex Library.

Linda Lee, Product Manager, ReadCube
Linda Lee is a product manager at ReadCube, where she works on creating useful software for researchers. Before switching to tech, Linda was a scientist herself – she completed her Ph.D. in neuroscience at Columbia University, where she researched learning, memory and Alzheimer’s disease.

Suzi Muchmore, Doctoral Researcher, School of Business & Economics, Loughborough University
Suzi is a doctoral researcher at the School of Business and Economics, Loughborough University. Previous roles include senior operational management positions in higher education and industry. Suzi holds an MBA (distinction) and BA (Hons) International Business Management. Current research investigates knowledge transfer within the UK low carbon innovation system.
Andy Priestner, Futurelib Programme Manager, University of Cambridge
Andy, previously a business librarian at both Oxford and Cambridge, is now managing the Futurelib innovation programme across Cambridge University’s 100+ libraries. He also operates as an independent freelance trainer and consultant in UX, social media, leadership and team building. He originated the UX in Libraries (UXLibs) conference and has written and edited a book of the same name (published this May).

Tracy Roberts, Publishing Director (AHSS Journals), Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group
Tracy Roberts has worked in Journals publishing, across marketing and editorial roles, since the mid-90’s. During that time Tracy has been involved with the launch, management and development of proprietary and society journals across most of the Arts, Humanities and Social Science disciplines. Additionally, she has been keenly involved in building and overseeing specific regional publishing initiatives and programmes.

Terri Teleen, Editorial Operations and Communications Director, John Wiley and Sons
Terri joined John Wiley & Sons in 2007 with the acquisition of Blackwell Publishing. As Director, Editorial Operations & Communications, she manages knowledge and information for Wiley’s global team of journal publishers and marketers, connecting these colleagues with the tools and resources they require to do their jobs effectively. Terri served for nearly 15 years as a journals Publisher at Wiley/Blackwell and has also worked as a book editor, an academic administrator and an English-language instructor in China. Terri holds degrees in American Studies from Georgetown University and Brown University and lives her family in the Boston area.

Dr Graham Walton, Assistant Director: (Academic and User Services), University Library and Honorary Research Fellow, Centre for Information Management, Loughborough University
Graham has worked in university libraries for over 35 years. He has combined this with being an active researcher in areas around the university library human and organisational issues. He also has been a journal editor for around 15 years (Health Information and Libraries Journal: 1997 – 2005: New Review of Academic Librarianship: 2005 to date).

Anthony Watkinson, Principal Consultant, CIBER Research
Anthony Watkinson has spent most of his career in scholarly publishing working for both not-for-profit and commercial publishers. These included posts at Academic Press London (editorial director), Oxford University Press, (head of journals) and the Thomson Corporation – Chapman & Hall (publishing director and director of intellectual property) until 1998. More recently he has worked on a part-time basis as Global Dental Publisher for what is now Wiley- Blackwell. Since then he has been self-employed and a consultant while engaged with a portfolio of other part-time jobs. Anthony was for six years a visiting professor in the department of information science at City University London, he has been a part-time senior lecturer in the Department of information studies and is now an honorary lecturer at University College London. He has also been director of information and training for the International Association of STM Publishers where he ran intensive journals courses in Europe and Asia since 1999. Since 1999 he has also been a consultant to the Publishers Association for whom he writes a Brief for the Academic and Professional division and organises at UCL the Digital Publishing Forum. He has organised many seminars for STM and one for ALPSP. Anthony is director and plenary chair of the Charleston Conference (US), co-organiser of the annual Fiesole Retreats of the Charleston Company and on the editorial board of the Charleston Advisor and the Charleston Insight series with Purdue University Press. At present he is mainly involved in independent academic research as principal consultant to CIBER Research which he cofounded at City University in 2002: the project taking most of his time is Harbingers of Change funded by the Publishers Research Consortium. See www.ciber-research.eu for more details and for his publication record