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2016 IDF Changes

The International DOI Foundation is pleased to announce changes for 2016, with an expansion of its current management team. *Norman Paskin*, who was the founding Director of the Foundation and has been the Managing Agent since 2006, will relinquish his current operational role and take a position on the Board of the Foundation as an Independent Board Member. Two new part time roles are announced. *Jonathan Clark* is appointed as the new Managing Agent reporting to the Board, with overall responsibility for the DOI System including its existing network of Registration Agencies, development and outreach; *Paul Jessop* will take a new role as Technology Advisor, with a special focus on development and strengthening of the DOI’s existing internet and metadata technologies, technical standards, and interaction with other related systems and communities. Both Paul and Jonathan will be active in outreach of DOI to new communities. All three individuals have their own consultancy businesses, and will retain and develop their existing clients and commitments in addition to their appointments with the Foundation.

*Paola Mazzucchi, chair of the Foundation, comments:* “This expansion is great news and puts the IDF in an excellent position to move to the next stage of its development. We now have two new roles, in line with our aim for continuity planning, and two new brilliant people, with strong backgrounds and expertise in all the key areas of our activity. We are also delighted that Norman has agreed to continue to provide advice to the Board from his long experience with the DOI System, and welcome Jonathan and Paul in the team.”

*Paul Jessop comments:* “Having watched the DOI system evolve over the last fifteen years I am pleased to now be taking a role in its management. I am looking forward to working with the board of the International DOI Foundation and with the new managing agent Jonathan Clark to keep DOI robust and to take it on to new applications and new industries”.

*Jonathan Clark comments:* “As the new Managing Agent, I am committed to ensuring that the IDF continues to deliver value to its members and users. I would like to thank Norman Paskin for his many years of service in building the DOI System into the success it is today. I very pleased he is staying on to advise us and I’m greatly looking forward to continuing his valuable work.”
Norman Paskin comments: “After twenty years involvement with DOI, from the early days of its inception through collaborative efforts of the major publishing industry bodies through to the current Foundation and its 120 million DOIs across several sectors, I am delighted to be able to hand over to Jonathan and Paul to continue our efforts to bring the benefits of persistent, interoperable and managed identifiers to new communities.”

Additional information:

Jonathan Clark is an independent advisor on strategy and innovation. He provides advice in one-to-one coaching sessions, innovation leadership trainings, group workshops or in much larger events. He also works directly with innovation leaders to design complete innovation programmes and provide support to roll them out. The emphasis is on making sure that these efforts are sustainable over time. Jonathan is also an Innovation Games® Qualified Instructor.

Jonathan studied Chemical Engineering at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne in the U.K. He moved to Shell Research in the Netherlands after completing his PhD in 1987. In 1990 he joined Elsevier Science in Amsterdam where he worked for 20 years. He held a number of different positions in publishing and marketing, before becoming a Publishing Director in 1998. He joined ScienceDirect in 2000 as a Product Director. After that Jonathan moved into more technology-related positions, including 3 years in Philadelphia working for Elsevier Health Sciences. Jonathan returned from the US in 2007 to be responsible for building an e-business in Europe for the medical and healthcare market. He left to start his own company, Jonathan Clark & Partners B.V., in April 2010. Jonathan is a former Chair and Director of the International DOI Foundation, resigning in 2010 when he left Elsevier. He has, however, remained involved with the IDF by helping to produce and facilitate the bi-annual Strategy Meetings.

Jonathan lives in the Netherlands in the lovely village of Loosdrecht with his wife and two children, Alexander and Emma. Alexander has just started at the University of Leuven studying Geology while Emma is completing her International Baccalaureate Diploma. Jonathan is a rugby referee and trainer. He is also a committed foodie.

Paul Jessop is founder and director of County Analytics Ltd, an independent consulting firm named for his 400 year old home and office in rural England – County Cottage. County Analytics has a diverse range of clients in the media, entertainment and electronics industries, where it gives advice on strategy, market positioning, and the creation and exploitation of industry standards. Paul is known for facilitation and consensus building and has a tight drafting style widely exploited in specification writing.

After a career in engineering and strategy with British Telecom, Paul was for 13 years CTO at the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) and subsequently at the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA). He continues his work as Executive Director of the US Registration Agency for the International Standard Recording Code (ISRC) under contract to RIAA and represents the recording industry’s interests in ISRC and other identifiers at the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Paul is a Chartered Engineer, a Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology and the Royal Institution of Great Britain. He is a Member of the Audio Engineering Society. He
obtained a degree in Engineering and Computer Science at Cambridge and a postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies at Oxford.

Paul enjoys travelling with his wife and two sons, who are all qualified scuba divers. Paul is a divemaster and has held an amateur radio licence since 1975. He is a US commercial pilot and flight instructor for gliders. In the UK he holds instructor ratings for gliders and motor-giders and also flies light aircraft. He volunteers with the scouting movement teaching young people to fly, and with the British Gliding Association on national political and lobbying activities.