1. DOI Foundation announces staffing expansion

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.

For additional information, see DOI News: 2016 IDF Changes.

2. New General Member

The International DOI Foundation is pleased to welcome its latest new General Member, the Internet Support Foundation (http://fondpi.ru/), a non-profit organization registered in Moscow. The ISF’s stated mission is Internet development in Russia in the interests of society, business and end-users. The Foundation is an initiator, sponsor and performer of research and practical tasks; following its assessment that DOI technology is the most suitable technology to create and maintain registries of objects of any kind, the Foundation has started several projects on creating various DOI-based object tools, registers and control systems.

3. New Registration Agency

The International DOI Foundation has appointed an additional Registration Agency with effect from 1 January 2016. The Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information (KISTI) is an autonomous non-profit research institute sponsored by the Korean government to promote national science, technology and industry. Originating in activities in 1962, KISTI now has a budget of over US$ 110 million and almost 600 employees. It is home to the NDSL (National Digital Science Library) and NTIS (National S&T Information Service).
KISTI have worked for some time with two other Asian organisations which are also DOI Registration Agencies (JaLC in Japan and ISTIC in China) as part of a China/Japan/Korea information agreement; and with two major DOI Registration Agencies in the international scientific sector (Crossref and DataCite). The appointment of KISTI recognises the value of a local language/national scope Registration Agency to provide local language focus and national level endorsement. KISTI and IDF will now co-operate in further planning to optimise the presentation of the DOI RA scope and message in Korea. KISTI have also translated, and will maintain, the DOI Handbook (the main tool of DOI operations) as a Korean version.

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