

GALILEO Knowledge Repository
IMLS Proposal – Next Steps
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Tyler Walters and Toby Graham have been in discussions with IMLS and working with the IMLS panel reviewers' comments on the 2008 GKR proposal. Based on this input, they (we) have mapped out the following steps in regards to project and proposal revisions:

- 1) Walters and Graham are discussing with Jennifer Campbell-Meier (NGCSU Library) her conducting the USG faculty survey on institutional repositories and open access. We intend to have the survey instrument completed by Feb 1, 2009. Survey completion no later than August 31, 2009. IMLS expressed a desire that we gain input from survey prior to beginning GKR technical implementation
- 2) Walters and Graham will revise proposal sections with a deadline of Dec. 5 2008. Steps are:
 - Resubmit under the IMLS' "Advancing Digital Resources" as opposed to the "Demonstration" program
 - Advice was given that operational issues weren't addressed "front and center." Need more details on what happens after the DSpace instances get set up – for instance, who and how are upgrades handled? In general, describe how GKR systems work will be carried out day-to-day
 - Remove the UGA Press initiative from the project. Carry this out in a later phase
 - Develop a robust and "cutting-edge" dissemination initiative in year 3 of the project (the GKR 2008 proposal was a 2-year project only). IMLS is encouraging us to design a process for easy adoption of the GKR model by other consortia. They suggest this would set the GKR project apart and make the proposal very competitive. Steps:
 - Break down the GKR into component parts, document them and develop manuals, teaching materials, etc. to instruct other consortia on how to build statewide repositories. Document lessons learned
 - Look at components such as staffing, technology, finances, and spell out how much is needed to replicate based on this model
 - Spell out in instructional materials how to initiate services
 - Hire a technical writer to do the instructional writing and build a package of materials that others can use to create their own statewide repositories
 - Plan for dissemination of instructional materials, design a workshop and offer it, and follow-up consultations by the end of year 3
- Simplify preservation service (3tb of MetaArchive preservation services for the potential 3tb of content stored on the GKR server). Negotiate a preservation services rate for 3 years from the MetaArchive Cooperative, seek grant funding for it
- Move the project's digitization initiative to the cost match side, service offered by the Digital Library of Georgia. A selection process will be needed to vet which content (e.g. articles, papers in PDF format) is scanned by DLG. Possibly augment with grant-funded students
- Move the copyright research services to the cost match by the GT Library Scholarly Communication and Digital Services Department. Assistance from GKR Manager (grant-funded)
- Continue monies for a GKR Manager, DSpace Developer, graduate research assistant, and for "metadata moonlighters" at GT and UGA, plus funding for VSU summer student supervision
- GA Southern and Valdosta State will be moved to "harvested" sites (they are hosting their on DSpace sites soon). Hosted sites by GT will be MCG, Albany State, Coastal Georgia, and possibly GSU.