



Enhancing Journal Articles: A Look at the Future of Supplemental Material

NISO publishes special issue of Information Standards Quarterly

October 4, 2010 – Baltimore, MD – The National Information Standards Organization (NISO) announces the publication of the Summer 2010 issue of the *Information Standards Quarterly* (ISQ) magazine—a special themed issue on Enhanced Journal Articles. ISQ Guest Content Editor Kristen Fisher Ratan (Associate Director, Strategic Development, HighWire Press) has compiled a set of articles that not only reveal the challenges involved with managing supplemental materials for journal articles but also identify solutions and recommendations for standards and best practices.

“The three feature articles each provide unique perspectives from organizations that are actively dealing with the challenges and opportunities involved in handling enhancements to articles,” states Kristen Fisher Ratan. “As publishers are examining their practices and policies for supplemental materials, this issue may supply useful background.”

Providing a humanities and social science publisher’s viewpoint are Dean Smith and Wendy Queen of Project Muse; Andrea Laue, Content Services Manager at HighWire, describes a full-service hosting service’s approach; and David S. H. Rosenthal and Victoria Reich of LOCKSS weigh in from a preservation perspective. In their articles, these professionals discuss the impact that supplemental journal materials have on their workflow and their product/service offerings.

“NISO and NFAIS have initiated a joint working group to develop recommended practices for handling, display, and preservation of supplemental journal article materials,” explains Todd Carpenter, NISO Managing Director. “The article on that working group by Linda Beebe (American Psychological Association) describes the roundtable meeting that led to this working group’s formation as well as their plans for moving forward. Sasha Schwarzman (American Geophysical Union) also reports in this issue of ISQ on his Supplemental Materials Survey that was the impetus to the NISO/NFAIS Roundtable.”

This special issue also includes a standards spotlight by Patricia Feeney (CrossRef), *DOIs for Journals: Linking and Beyond*, that describes how DOIs can be used for both components and supplemental materials. Rounding out the issue is a conference report by Michael Clarke (Clarke Publishing Group) on the *Society for Scholarly Publishing’s 2010 Annual Meeting: Sustainability and Transition*, a Noteworthy section on the latest information standards news, and a summary of the status of all of NISO’s projects in development.

ISQ is available free to all NISO members and by subscription. Individual issue copies may also be purchased as supplies last (US: \$36; international: \$45). **Selected articles from each issue are made available for free download.** Visit the Summer 2010 ISQ webpage (www.niso.org/publications/isq/2010/v22no3/) for more information.

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