

## OCLC Research Print Management at “Mega-scale” Webinar Chat Transcript

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### from OCLC Research to All Participants:

Hello and thank you for joining us! If you're on twitter, please follow or tweet this webinar with **#ormega #InsightSeries**

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

For background on the OCLC OhioLINK circulation study, see:

<http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/ohiolink.html>

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A copy of the Cloud-Sourcing Research Collections report can be found here:

<https://www.oclc.org/resources/research/publications/library/2011/2011-01.pdf>

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

Background on the mega-regions report: <http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/megascale.html>

### from Andree Rathemacher to All Participants:

How will our need to decrease our dependence on fossil fuels affect the definition of a mega-region, as transportation costs increase?

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

A link to the original research by Richard Florida and colleagues: <http://www-2.rotman.utoronto.ca/userfiles/prosperity/File/Rise.of.the.Mega-Regions.w.cover.pdf>

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

For more mega-region maps see: [http://www.creativeclass.com/v3/whos\\_your\\_city/maps/#Mega-Regions\\_of\\_Europe](http://www.creativeclass.com/v3/whos_your_city/maps/#Mega-Regions_of_Europe)

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

Andree -- interesting question. you are correct that the boundaries of mega-regions are in flux -- and transportation infrastructure is an important part of that

### from Andree Rathemacher to All Participants:

Does Bos-Wash include the Library of Congress?

### from Chat Monitor to All Participants:

Yes it does

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The Bos-Wash contains many very large research institutions and libraries, which partly accounts for the distribution of print books.

### from Dana Peterman to All Participants:

Regions may not be representative of actual consortial agreements (e.g. NOR-CAL and SO-CAL and tightly integrated) and should be considered as one.

**from Dana Peterman to All Participants:**

The numbers don't take into account age of collection, which may be an important factor for of more segmented collections and purposes.

**from Chat Monitor to All Participants:**

Dana: although we didn't mention it in the webinar, we do look at the age of each regional collection in the report.

**from Andree Rathemacher to All Participants:**

What is the proposition? Sharing preservation responsibility only? Or including delivery mechanisms, as in a repository?

**from Chat Monitor to All Participants:**

Andree: We are approaching this from the assumption that cooperative arrangements would include both preservation and access, but other models that focus on preservation only would fit within this framework as well.

**from OCLC Research to All Attendees:**

Additional information is available at [www.oclc.org/research/activities/megascale.html](http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/megascale.html) and [www.oclc.org/research/activities/sharedcollections.html](http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/sharedcollections.html)

**from OCLC Research to All Attendees:**

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**from Andree Rathemacher to All Participants:**

How many copies of a given book should be retained? Viz. Ithaka's report on journals...

**from Roy Tennant to All Participants:**

Preservation is meaningless without access...access is impossible without preservation - two sides of the same coin.

**from E Stambaugh to All Participants:**

what would be the rationale for print management at a regional scale rather than a cloud-sourced approach perhaps coordinated at a North American scale, facilitated by infrastructure @ Hathi, OCLC, PAPER scale? Why regions not Clouds? What components of library services can't be satisfied by a cloud sourced approach?

**from Andree Rathemacher to All Participants:**

Can you give a concrete example of what one region's plan for access and preservation / print management might look like?

**from Cascio Keri to All Participants:**

What about subject based repositories instead of regional?

**from Beth Jacoby to All Participants:**

Most ebook studies show that many students still want print for academic purposes.

**from OCLC Research to All Attendees:**

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