OCLC Research work on Authorities and Identifiers

This reverse chronological annotated bibliography provides an overview of OCLC Research's work on authorities and identifiers.

**National Strategy for Shareable Local Name Authorities National Forum**

http://hdl.handle.net/1813/56343.

Identifies key issues facilitating and preventing sharing of local name authorities. Details minimum viable specifications, data provider obligations, workflows, and reconciliation as a service.

**Convenience and Compliance: Case Studies on Persistent Identifiers in European Research Information Management**

https://doi.org/10.25333/C32K7M.

Provides insights on emerging practices and infrastructures in European research information management (RIM), on the current and future role of persistent person and organization identifiers, and on incentives and barriers to adoption in three national settings to better understand the decision-making dynamics in this space.

**Addressing the Challenges with Organizational Identifiers and ISNI**

oc.lc/isni-report.

Organizational affiliations of the creators of works are important to a variety of stakeholders, including academic administrators, funders, publishers, repository managers, software developers, rights agencies, and individual researchers. Identifying and tracking these affiliations can be challenging, as organizations may be known by a variety of names and may have schools or research centers that are well-known on their own. An organizational identifier provides the means to both find and identify an organization accurately and to define the relationships among its sub-units and with other organizations. This report outlines a number of scenarios where the International Standard Name Identifier (ISNI) can be used to disambiguate organizations, including real-world examples.
Registering Researchers in Authority Files


Summarizes approaches to providing authoritative researcher identifiers. Registering researchers in some type of authority file or identifier system has become more compelling as both institutions and researchers recognize the need to compile their scholarly output. The report presents functional requirements and recommendations for six stakeholders: researchers, funders, university administrators, librarians, identity management systems, and aggregators (including publishers). It also provides an overview of the researcher identifier landscape, changes in the field, emerging trends, and opportunities.

Networking names


Recommendations on the functions, components, and attributes needed to support use cases where different communities would benefit from aggregated information about persons and organizations in a “cooperative Identities Hub.”