

Stability and Dynamism in Knowledge Organization

8th Biennial Conference of the French Chapter of ISKO (International Society for Knowledge Organization)

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Theme

Since its creation in 1996, the French chapter of ISKO has been grappling with knowledge organization issues. This topic has been dealt with from different angles: knowledge organization structures, tools for mediation, forms and mechanisms for knowledge sharing. Given that issues are at the center of information production and access as well as knowledge dissemination, the 8th edition of the ISKO-France conference aims to focus specifically on the issue of stability and dynamism in the concepts and paradigms underlying knowledge organization research.

Access to information and thereby to knowledge is an important social, political, cultural and economic stake. This demands that we take a reflexive look at the theories, paradigms and concepts underlying the organization, the circulation of information and knowledge. The past years have witnessed an increase in the potentials of information technology. New socio-technical practices have emerged. Ten years after the International ISKO conference organized by Faculty of Information Studies at the University of Toronto on this very theme, the French chapter of ISKO, convinced of the importance of this theme proposes to revisit it. This 2011 edition aims in particular to examine the mutations that modes and structures of knowledge organization may have undergone in the face of technological advances driven by the Web, especially by the Social Web. Conversely, we also seek to ascertain which modes and structures have resisted the technological upheaval induced by the Web. What are the reasons for their stability or dynamism? What is the impact of the societal mutations induced by the penetration of the Web in every aspect of scientific and professional activity on modes of knowledge organization and on modalities for the production and circulation of knowledge? What is or will be the impact of the so-called “Semantic Web” on knowledge organization research? What repercussions may we expect on models, structures and knowledge representation modes? Are we in the face of an evolution or a revolution, a break-off or continuity?

The 8th Biennial Conference of the French ISKO Chapter seeks contributions on these questions. Papers should report original work not published elsewhere or under review elsewhere at the time of submission. Submissions can report either theoretical work linked to stability or dynamism of theories, concepts and paradigms in KO or focus on applications but with an emphasis to highlight the theoretical and epistemological underpinnings of the practical work. More precisely, contributions can focus on one or more of these topics :

Historical and epistemological foundations of knowledge organization (KO)

- paradigms underlying research in KO
 - structures and relations in KO
 - role and influence of culture for the design of KO tools
 - evolution and stability of KO paradigms in different societies or cultures
- **Knowledge organization systems**
- Evolution of controlled vocabularies (classification languages, thesauri,...) in the semantic web era
 - interoperability of systems and devices for KO
 - centralized systems for KO and the social collaborative practices of web 2.0

3. Mutations in professional practices

- transformation of documentary forms
- collaborative practices in documentation services
- interoperability of knowledge representation tools
- metamorphosis of the documentation space in its relation with sense making, with form and time
- New editorial forms, new representation modes for information and knowledge circulation

5. Uses and users of knowledge organization systems

- users practices of KO systems
- uses of new tools and devices for classification and categorization (folksonomies, folkontologies)

Invited talks

Viviane Couzinet, LERASS, Université de Toulouse (France)

Organisation des connaissances au regard des sciences de l'information et de la communication : une exception française ?

Claudio Gnoli, Université de Rome (Italy)

Metadata about what? : Distinguishing between phenomenic, epistemic, and formal dimensions of knowledge organization

Panel addressing the general theme of the conference

(Participants list to be added)

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The timelines are as follows:

Call for papers: October 27 2010

Deadline for submission of papers: January 15 2011

Notification of acceptance or refusal: February 15 2011

Deadline for final version: March 15 2010

Submission Format

Potential authors are invited to submit a manuscript of three or four pages, rtf format. As reviewing will be blind, authors are asked to remove all texts that will enable reviewer to identify them. For instance, instead of saying Smith (2008) showed that, replace that reference by [SELF 2008] showed that. Accordingly, authors should remove own references from the bibliography or indicate SELF in its place.

The proposal (3 to 4 pages,) should be sent to the following address: colloque.isko-France@univ-lille3.fr **before January 15th 2011.**

The first page should contain: the author's data (name, surname, post, institution name; address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail); the paper's title and significant key-words

The next three or four pages should contain the title and the text of the proposal. :

Each proposal will be reviewed by at least two reviewers from the Scientific Committee, who will evaluate its relevance, scientific validity, originality and the proposal clarity.

15th of February 2011 Notification date of acceptance or refusal.

The acceptance notification will be sent with technical specifications for publication. They must be necessarily respected regarding the future proceedings publication.

21st of March 2011 The final paper submission deadline. The accepted authors should send the completed paper (max. 10 pages) in its final version.

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