



Rosemont Shared Print Alliance Update

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The Rosemont Shared Print Alliance is a collaboration of regional programs interested in coordinating their efforts on a larger scale to ensure the retention of and access to print journal backfiles. Current participants include the Big Ten Academic Alliance, the Eastern Academic Storage Trust, the Florida Academic Repository, Scholar's Trust, and the Western Regional Storage Trust.

Recent Activities

- In January, the Eastern Academic Storage Trust (EAST) formally approved joining the Rosemont Alliance. Peggy Seiden (Swarthmore College) and Simon Neame (University of Massachusetts, Amherst) will serve as representatives to the Executive Committee. Susan Stearns and Matthew Revitt will join the Operations Committee.
- The Operations Committee completed a review of Last-Copy policies of the member consortia. Although we found many areas of overlap, it was determined that the group does not currently have the technical capacity to compare national holdings to determine last or rare copies. Until more robust tools are available, the group continues to encourage local and regional last-copy efforts.
- The Operations Committee also reviewed access policies to develop a unified set of Access Principles for participating institutions. This document, currently in the approval process, will establish guidelines for communal access and use in accordance with local ILL processes, promote standardized delivery mechanisms, and encourage common validation measures and usage documentation.
- Both the Operations and Executive Committees dedicated significant time this year to determining the community's needs and capacity for multi-institutional journals analysis tools. SCS explored the possibility of a Greenglass-like product, and conversations with SCS and CRL continue in this area. The Rosemont Shared Print Alliance has also explored their members' local capacity for journals analysis to further promote joint analytics efforts. Work in this area will continue in the next term.

For documentation and additional information, please visit RosemontSharedPrintAlliance.org.