

Introducing our Editorial Board



STEVE O'CONNOR

Steve O'Connor has had extensive experience in the university library sector, including a stint as the University Librarian at the University of Technology, Sydney. He is currently engaged as the CEO in a company owned by the university and state library sectors in Australia.

Steve's interest in working with UKSG is wide ranging. He is keen to assist wherever possible in developing new understandings and insights for future scenarios for serials publishing, communication and collecting. He has researched collecting paradigms through collaborative devices such as VADL (Victorian Academic Digital Library) and has taught courses across Australasia on new business models for future libraries. Both of these efforts deal with the complexity of the current serial publishing environment and the enormous range of options confronting us all.

His career has focused on the development and provision of services that respond to the real, as opposed to the perceived, needs of client groups within the academic and research environments. This focus has necessitated a research and futures focus on what might and should be appropriate for information service delivery.

A regular speaker at international conferences, Steve is the author of over fifty articles in a range

of professional literature. He has also researched and taught in the areas of change, organizational management, educational priorities, information technology, the architecture of information and delivery systems, scenario and strategic planning, and the wider library and information environment. He has been integrally involved in the development of digital information services and in the provision of consortium approaches to cost reductions as the Foundation Chair of CEIRC (CAUL Electronic Information Resources Committee).

Steve has been on a number of company boards, editorial boards and major conference committees and is the Editor of the international journal *Library Management*. He has just returned from a road tour up the eastern seaboard of Australia touching such exotic places as Eucha, Narrandera and the banks of the mighty Murray, Gilgandra, Coonabarabran and up to the wide plains of Moree and then across to the breaking surf of Yamba. The vast expanses of these landscapes only reinforce the enormous range of options open to us in all our areas of endeavour. Steve says: "I look forward to contributing in a small way to the ongoing success of the UKSG whose work I have admired for many years."