



GreyNet International Business Report 2018

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This business report is intended to provide a comprehensive, up to date overview of the workings of TextRelease and its International Grey Literature Network Service. TextRelease is an independent program and conference bureau specializing in the field of grey literature and networked information.

GreyNet, Grey Literature Network Service, was founded in 1992 and re-launched in 2003 under the leadership and direction of TextRelease. Since its re-launch, it has developed into an international network capable of serving various sectors of government, academics, business and industry as well as subject based communities producing, processing, distributing, and preserving grey literature. GreyNet's mission is dedicated to research, publication, open access, education, and public awareness to grey literature, which requires now more than ever an infrastructure commensurate to its real potential.

In order to further expand and develop future capabilities for the international Grey Literature Network Service, an infrastructure other than that of a sole proprietorship is recommended. While TextRelease provided a basis for GreyNet's re-launch, it alone cannot render the needed capital and investment for GreyNet's potential to develop and expand on the global information landscape. The ideal organization would be focused internationally and have genuine interest in the field of grey literature both in digital and print formats.

GreyNet might do well to model upon an infrastructure of that of an international association or to merge with a major partner seeking to enhance its position on the information landscape. In either case, TextRelease will strive to cooperate with leading organizations in the further development of GreyNet International. More on this and other developments are found in the Business Report.

Dominic Farace, Director
Amsterdam, September 2018

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Leadership in the field Grey Literature



Dominic Farace,
Director 1992 ...

Jerry Frantzen,
Tech. Assistant 1996 ...

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Company Information

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Credit Card Recipient:	Visa Card, MasterCard, and American Express
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MCB/UP GreyNet	1998-2000, Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce No. 33229159

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GreyNet Associate and Institutional Members



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GreyNet provides two levels of organizational membership: **Associate** and **Institutional**. The Associate Members together constitute GreyNet's corporate authorship, which is tasked with capturing various types of information including factual, bibliographic, biographic, documentary and full-text along with accompanying metadata, research data, and post-publication data issuing from the annual Conference Series on Grey Literature as well as related workshops in this field of information. This body of textual and non-textual content is then further compiled, edited, and published in a number of serial works. A third type of membership, which is offered to individuals, resembles more a subscription to GreyNet's range of products and services.

Inist-CNRS, France

EBSCO Publishing, United States

FEDLINK, Library of Congress, United States

NTK, Czech Republic

CVTISR, Slovak Republic

ISTI-CNR, Italy

NIS, Nuclear Information Section, IAEA

KISTI, Korea

DANS-KNAW, Netherlands

TIB, German National Library for Science and Technology

UF, University of Florida; George A. Smathers Libraries

UWM, University of Wisconsin, Madison – SOIS

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Associate Member from 2018 - ...

Institutional Member from 2018 - ...

Partnerships and Agreements

Over the years, GreyNet powered by TextRelease has entered into a number of agreements with other businesses and organizations for the advancement of grey literature. Among these include:



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WorldWideScience.org	World Wide Science Alliance, 2016 - ...
OpenAIRE	Open Access Infrastructure for Research in Europe, 2015 - ...
ISTI-CNR	GreyGuide Repository and Web Access Portal, 2013 - ...
DANS Data Archive	GreyNet Research Data entry and open access, 2012 - ...
FedGrey Working Group	FEDLINK-GreyNet Memorandum of Understanding, 2011 - ...
ICSTI	GreyNet Partnership, 2009 - ...
Inist-CNRS	OpenGrey [formerly OpenSIGLE] Repository, 2007 - ...
EBSCO/LISTA-FT	License Agreement for The Grey Journal, 2005- ...

Other Publishing Agreements

CSA/PAIS Int.	A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2006 - ...
MLA International	A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2006 - ...
LISA Index	A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2006 - ...
SCOPUS/Elsevier	A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2009 - ...
Thomson Reuters	A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2009 - ...
Clarivate – Web of Science	A&I Service for the GL Conference Proceedings, 2009 - ...
Curran's Scopus Compendex	A&I Service for the GL Conference Proceedings, 2004 - ...
Cabell's Directories	TGJ Journal Listing, 2013 - ...
EBSCO	TGJ Subscription Agent, 2005 - ...
Emerald	Rights to former GreyNet content 1994-2000 via open access, 2009
De Gruyter/Saur	Monograph on Grey Literature, 2010

GreyNet International – Infrastructure 2018

CPC Conference Program Committee <i>Chair</i> Brian Hitson, United States International Conference Series on Grey Literature	SMP Social Media Publishing Committee <i>Chair</i> Dr. Joachim Schöpfel, France Serials, Non-Serials, and Social Media
RPC Resource Policy Committee <i>Chair</i> Dr. Dobrica Savić, Austria Repositories, Portals, and Web-based Resources	LIS Library & Information Studies Committee <i>Chair</i> Marcus Vaska, Canada Training and Education in Grey Literature

In providing an infrastructure commensurate to its mission and core activities, GreyNet is supported by four working committees. Together they advance GreyNet's manifold mission dedicated to research, publication, open access, education, and public awareness to grey literature

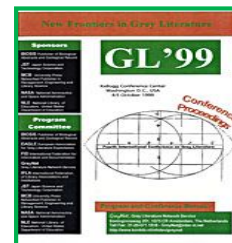
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Products, Services, and Professional Activities

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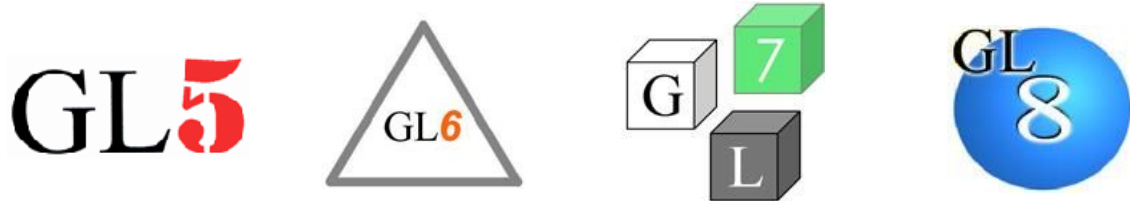
As Program and Conference Bureau, the main activities of TextRelease include the identification and negotiation with potential conference hosts for the annual conference venues and the identification and acquisition of conference sponsors and advertisers. The formation of Program Committees and Chairpersons along with the initial draft of conference themes incorporated in the announcements and call-for-papers. TextRelease maintains contact with authors throughout the lead-up to the conference providing them with guidelines for their content submissions and informing them of their status on the conference program. TextRelease is further responsible for the design, compilation, editing, and publication of conference materials and documents issuing from the Conference Series. Foremost among these are the conference site, newsletters, program books, and conference proceedings.

International Conference Series on Grey Literature, 1993-2018



The GL Conference Series began as a biannual event in the early '90s, however with its relaunch in 2003, the conference series rose to an annual event. The GL Conference Series maintains a transatlantic character alternating between Europe and North America. However, participants from recognized organizations worldwide actively sponsor and participate.

- GL1 **Weinberg Report 2000**
Amsterdam RAI Congress Center, 13-15 December (NL) 1993
- GL2 **Grey Exploitations in the 21st Century**
Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., 2-3 November (USA) 1995
- GL3 **Perspectives on the Design and Transfer of STI**
EU Jean Monnet Building, Luxembourg, 13-14 November (LUX), 1997
- GL4 **New Frontiers in Grey Literature**
Kellogg Conference Center, Washington D.C., 4-5 October (USA) 1999



- GL5 **Grey Matters in the World of Networked Information**
KNAW Congress Center, Amsterdam, 4-5 December (NL) 2003
- GL6 **Work on Grey in Progress**
NYAM Conference Center, New York, 6-7 December (USA) 2004
- GL7 **Open Access to Grey Resources**
INIST-CNRS Congress Centre, Nancy, 5-6 December (FR) 2005
- GL8 **Harnessing the Power of Grey**
UNO Conference Center, New Orleans, 4-5 December (USA) 2006



- GL9 **Grey Foundations in Information Landscape**
Provincial House, Antwerp, 10-11 December (BE) 2007
- GL10 **Designing the Grey Grid for Information Society**
Amsterdam Science Park, 8-9 December (NL) 2008
- GL11 **The Grey Mosaic, Piecing It All Together**
Library of Congress, Washington D.C., 14-15 December (USA) 2009
- GL12 **Transparency in Grey Literature, Grey Tech Approaches ...**
National Library of Technology, Prague, 6-7 December (CZ) 2010



- GL13 **The Grey Circuit, From Social Networking to Wealth Creation**
Library of Congress, Washington D.C., 5-6 December (USA) 2011
- GL14 **Tracking Innovation through Grey Literature**
National Research Council, Rome, 29-30 November (IT) 2012
- GL15 **The Grey Audit, A Field Assessment of Grey Literature**
CVTISR, Bratislava, Slovak Republic, 2-3 December (SK) 2013
- GL16 **Grey Literature Lobby, Engines and Requesters for Change**
Library of Congress, Washington D.C., 8-9 December (USA) 2014



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| GL17 | A New Wave of Textual and Non-Textual Grey Literature
KNAW Congress Center, Amsterdam, 1-2 December | (NL) | 2015 |
| GL18 | Leveraging Diversity in Grey Literature
The New York Academy of Medicine, New York, 28-29 November | (USA) | 2016 |
| GL19 | Public Awareness and Access to Grey Literature
National Research Council of Italy, CNR Rome, 23-24 October | (IT) | 2017 |
| GL20 | Research Data Fuels and Sustains Grey Literature
Loyola University New Orleans, USA (<i>Forthcoming, 3-4 December</i>) | (USA) | 2018 |

GL Conference Hosts 1993-2018

CNR Rome	Italy
CUA Washington D.C.	United States
CVTI SR Bratislava	Slovak Republic
EU CEC/DG XIII	Luxembourg
EWI Brussels	Belgium
FEDLINK, Library of Congress	United States
Inist-CNRS, Nancy	France
MCB University Press	United Kingdom
NTK Prague	Czech Republic
New York Academy of Medicine	United States

GL Conference Sponsors 1993-2018

ACM Digital Library	United States
British Library	United Kingdom
BIOSIS	United States
City of Amsterdam	Netherlands
City of Nancy	France
CRL	United States
DANS-KNAW	Netherlands
Deanet Media Company	Italy
DTIC	United States
EAGLE	Luxembourg
EBSCO Publishing	United States
EIPASS European Informatics Passport	Italy
Elsevier	Netherlands
Endeavor Information Services	United States
EU Bookshop	Luxembourg
EU Cordis	Luxembourg
GESIS	Germany
ICSTI	France
Ila, Inc.	United States

ISTI-CNR
JST
KISTI
LLC
NIS-IAEA
NTIS
NLE
NLM
OSTI-DOE
Springer Verlag
Swets
Swinburne University of Technology
Thomson Reuters
TIB Hannover
University of Florida; George A. Smathers Libraries
University of Ljubljana
Wiley

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The Grey Journal, 2005-2018

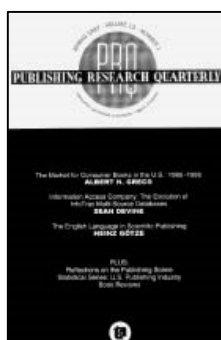
International Journal on Grey Literature, ISSN 1574-1796

TGJ Volume 14, Special Winter Issue	2018	Rethinking the Role of Grey Literature in the Digital Age
TGJ Volume 14, Number 1, Spring	2018	Open Access, New Grey Literature, and Data Compliance
TGJ Volume 14, Number 2, Summer	2018	Breaking New Ground in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 14, Number 3, Autumn	2018	<i>Forthcoming</i>
TGJ Volume 13, Special Winter Issue	2017	Current Trends that Impact Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 13, Number 1, Spring	2017	Grey Literature Domain in Broad View
TGJ Volume 13, Number 2, Summer	2017	Finding and Bridging Knowledge Gaps via Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 13, Number 3, Autumn	2017	Mapping Crossroads in the Field of Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 12, Special Winter Issue	2016	New Challenges and Opportunities Facing Repositories
TGJ Volume 12, Number 1, Spring	2016	Mining Textual and Non-Textual Data Sources
TGJ Volume 12, Number 2, Summer	2016	Convergence and Change in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 12, Number 3, Autumn	2016	Data Fuels and Validates Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 11, Special Winter Issue	2015	The Value Grey Literature in Repositories
TGJ Volume 11, Number 1, Spring	2015	Raising Awareness to Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 11, Number 2, Summer	2015	Publishing, Licensing, and Open Access
TGJ Volume 11, Number 3, Autumn	2015	Topical and Technical Advances in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 10, Number 1, Spring	2014	Sustaining Good Practices In Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 10, Number 2, Summer	2014	Research Communities And Data Sharing
TGJ Volume 10, Number 3, Autumn	2014	Weighing up Public Access to Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 9, Number 1, Spring	2013	Adapting New Technologies for Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 9, Number 2, Summer	2013	Tracking Grey Literature Across Disciplines
TGJ Volume 9, Number 3, Autumn	2013	Improving Grey Literature through Innovation
TGJ Volume 8, Number 1, Spring	2012	Social Networking and Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 8, Number 2, Summer	2012	Data Frontiers in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 8, Number 3, Autumn	2012	Managing Change in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 7, Number 1, Spring	2011	Transparency in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 7, Number 2, Summer	2011	System Approaches to Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 7, Number 3, Autumn	2011	Research and Education in Grey Literature

TGJ Volume 6, Number 1, Spring	2010	Government Alliance to Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 6, Number 2, Summer	2010	Shared Strategies for Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 6, Number 3, Autumn	2010	Research on Grey Literature in Europe
TGJ Volume 5, Number 1, Spring	2009	Paperless Initiatives for Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 5, Number 2, Summer	2009	Archaeology and Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 5, Number 3, Autumn	2009	Trusted Grey Sources and Resources
TGJ Volume 4, Number 1, Spring	2008	Praxis and Theory in Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 4, Number 2, Summer	2008	Access to Grey in a Web Environment
TGJ Volume 4, Number 3, Autumn	2008	Making Grey more Visible
TGJ Volume 3, Number 1, Spring	2007	Grey Standards in Transition and Use
TGJ Volume 3, Number 2, Summer	2007	Academic and Scholarly Grey
TGJ Volume 3, Number 3, Autumn	2007	Mapping Grey Resources
TGJ Volume 2, Number 1, Spring	2006	Grey Matters for OAI
TGJ Volume 2, Number 2, Summer	2006	Collections on a Grey Scale
TGJ Volume 2, Number 3, Autumn	2006	Using Grey to Sustain Innovation
TGJ Volume 1, Number 1, Spring	2005	Publish Grey or Perish
TGJ Volume 1, Number 2, Summer	2005	Repositories - Home2Grey
TGJ Volume 1, Number 3, Autumn	2005	Grey Areas in Education

Other Serial and Non-Serial Publications

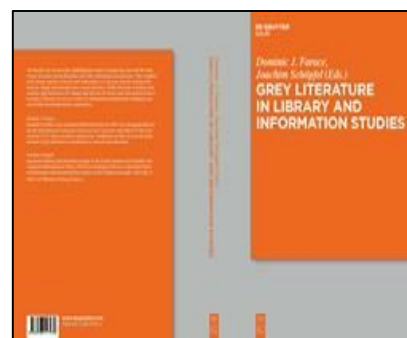
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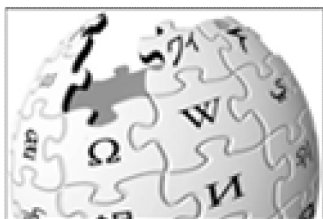
De Gruyter | Saur

Publishing Research Quarterly - Spring Issues on Grey Literature, 2004-2007 - ISSN 1053-8801
 Encyclopedia of Library and Information Sciences, 2017 (3rd Ed.) - ISBN 978-0-8493-9712-7
 De Gruyter - Grey Literature in Library and Information Studies, 2010 - ISBN 978-3-598-11793-0

Other GreyNet Publications

Conference Proceedings on Grey Literature	2004 - 2017	ISSN 1386-2316
Conference Program Books on Grey Literature	2003 - 2017	ISSN 1386-2308
GreyNet Quarterly Newsletter	2009 - 2018	ISSN 1877-6035
GreyWorks Summer Workshop Series	2009 - 2016	ISSN 2211-1425
GreyForum Series, Onsite-Online Workshops	2013 - 2018	ISSN 2213-5735

Social Media and Networking



GreyNet LinkedIn Group

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups/GreyNet-3718857>

GreyNet Twitter Social Blogging

<https://twitter.com/GreyLitNet>

GreyNet Listserv

<http://greynet.org/greynethome/listserv.html>

GreyNet International Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/greynetinternational>

GreyNet RSS Feeds

<http://www.textrelease.com/rss.xml>

Wikipedia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grey_Literature_Network_Service

GreyNet's Open Access Resources and Service Providers



Over 375 metadata records originating in the GL Conference Series including their corresponding full-text papers, PowerPoint slides, abstracts, biographical notes, and post-publication commentaries are available via the OpenGrey Repository <http://www.opengrey.eu>. This web-based resource has become a significant reference tool for GreyNet's own referral service. In 2007, GreyNet (data provider) signed an agreement with INIST (service provider) in which all of its past and future collections

of conference preprints would be openly accessible in the OpenGrey Repository (formerly OpenSIGLE). In 2009, GreyNet purchased back the rights to content from its first four conference proceedings (1994-2000), making these also openly accessible and thus guaranteeing that its collections would be comprehensive.



Agreement has been reached between OpenGrey and OpenAIRE, whereby GreyNet's Collection of Conference Preprints in the OpenGrey Repository are now harvested and accessible in OpenAIRE via its Discovery services.



GreyNet completed the second phase of an Enhanced Publications Project (EPP) in which research data accompanying conference preprints are entered in the DANS Data Archive and cross-linked to metadata records in the OpenGrey Repository. Since the project's completion in 2012, research data accompanying conference preprints in the GL-Series are requested as an integral part of the annual call-for-papers and is now embedded in GreyNet's workflow. GreyNet currently has 30 research datasets in DANS. More on this project at www.greynet.org/opengreyrepository/enhancedpublications.html.

The Portal and Repository to Good Practices and Resources in Grey Literature <http://greyguide.isti.cnr.it/> offers information professionals, practitioners and students shared common ground in the field of grey literature. The GreyGuide is a portal and repository of good practices and resources focusing on both the supply and demand sides of grey literature. This is a collaborative project involving GreyNet International and ISTI-CNR Pisa, Italy.



WorldWideScience.org is a global science gateway comprised of national and international scientific databases and portals among which now include the **GreyGuide**, **OpenAIRE**, **OpenGrey**, and **DANS** via NARCIS. WorldWideScience.org accelerates scientific discovery and progress by providing one-stop searching of databases from around the world. Multilingual WorldWideScience.org provides real-time searching and translation of globally-dispersed multilingual scientific literature.

GreyGuide is GreyNet's Web Access Portal and Repository

The GreyGuide portal redefines GreyNet's position on the information landscape

In early 2014, GreyNet reached agreement with the National Research Center in Pisa, the service provider for the GreyGuide Repository. GreyNet collections and content that as yet were only accessible either via its website or allied conference site are in the process of migrating to the GreyGuide Repository. As such, the GreyGuide now functions as GreyNet's web access portal. This allows for combined search, browse, and retrieval capability across collections - where standardized metadata and full-text can be harvested online. Alongside good practices in the GreyGuide, GreyNet's in-house collections of persons and organizations in the field of grey literature, as well as projects, conference proposals, tables of content, and other web-based resources in grey literature are now openly accessible via the GreyGuide. To date, these collections include:

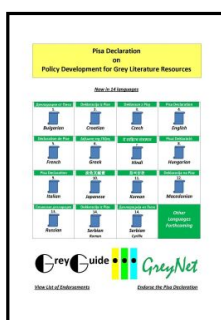
GGP Good Practices in Grey Literature

GLP Conference Papers

BIO Who is in Grey Literature

RGL Resources in Grey Literature:
Generic Multidisciplinary Collection

GLA Conference Proposals



The Pisa Declaration on Policy Development for Grey Literature Resources

In April 2014, information professionals from prominent European academic and research centers met in Pisa to address issues dealing with the policy and management of grey literature resources. This meeting resulted in the formulation of the Pisa Declaration on Policy Development for Grey Literature Resources – a fifteen point roadmap, which serves as a guide for organizations involved in the production, publication, access and use of grey literature well into the 21st Century. The Pisa Declaration much like the Budapest, Bethesda, and Berlin Declarations are neither inventions of the mind nor improvements in doing the same things better – instead, they offer a different approach in

dealing with information and data to meet the market needs and requirements of today. Until now, the problem was the lack of cooperation and coordination between and among organizations dealing with grey literature. However, the time of going it alone is now ended. The Pisa Declaration marks the close of an era of *ad hoc* policy and decision making with regard to grey literature resources. Since its original publication in English, the Pisa Declaration has been endorsed by over 140 information professionals from renowned organizations worldwide and has now been translated into 20 languages: Armenian, Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hindi, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Macedonian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Tagalog, and Turkish.

Conference based Projects on Grey Literature, 1993-2000

Since the initial launch of the GL-Conference Series, GreyNet in collaboration with its pool of authors compiled and edited four information resources. And since its relaunch in 2003, GreyNet annually carries out research projects beneficial to stakeholders in the international grey literature community.

1993 - 2000 Bibliographic Database on the Topic of Grey Literature

1995 - 2000 International Guide to Persons and Organizations in Grey Literature

1997 - 2000 Glossary of Terms in Grey Literature

1999 - 2000 International Journal on Grey Literature (IJGL)

Conference based Research Projects on Grey Literature, 2003-2018

2003 Literature Review of four Pioneers in the field of grey literature

2004 General Survey on Grey Literature and a Citation Analysis

2005 Author Survey on Grey Literature and a Citation Analysis

2006 Project Information Data, PID-Study

2007 Design and implementation of a distance education course on Grey Literature

2008 OpenSIGLE-GreyNet: A Service and Data Provider Project

2009 OpenSIGLE-GreyNet: e-Infrastructures FP7 Proposal

2010 Comparative study of peer review by grey and commercial publishers

2011 Enhanced Publications Project - Phase 1: Survey and Post-Publication Data

2012 Enhanced Publications Project - Phase 2: Linking Research Data to Full-text

2013 Guide to Good Practice in Grey Literature – GreyGuide Project and Repository

2014 Guide to Good Practices and Resources in Grey Literature – GreyGuide Web Access Portal

2015 Leveraging Grey Literature – A Cumulative Case Study

2016 Policy Development for Grey Literature Resources: Assessment of the Pisa Declaration

2017 Data Papers are Witness to Trusted References in Grey Literature

2018 Open Data engages Citation and Reuse: A Follow-up Study on Enhanced Publication

GreyNet Annual Award for Outstanding Achievement in Grey Literature

Since 1999, GreyNet has issued an award in recognition for an author(s) contribution to the field of grey literature. Nominations for the GreyNet Award are based on a number of criteria (1) Results from conference evaluation forms, (2) Publication of the authors' full-text paper in the official Conference Proceedings, (3) Selection and publication of the authors work as a journal article, thus exporting and distributing research results originating in the Conference Series, and (4) Prior history of the author and/or author's organization in the field of grey literature. The recipient may also be an information professional, whose significant contributions over the years has sustained the growth and development of GreyNet International.

GreyNet Award Recipients 1999 – 2018

- 1999** Julia Gelfand, University of California Irvine, USA
Awarded for her work as journal editor on grey literature.
- 2000** Daniela Luzi, National Research Centre, Italy
Awarded for her methodological approaches to grey literature.
- 2004** Bertrum MacDonald, Dalhousie University, Canada
Awarded for his study on the marine science community and grey literature.
- 2005** Keith Jeffrey, CCLRC U.K. and Anne Asserson, University of Bergen, Norway
Awarded for their work on CRIS systems for grey literature.
- 2006** Marcus Banks, New York University School of Medicine, USA
Awarded for his work on open access to grey literature.
- 2007** Todd A. Chavez [et al.], University of South Florida, USA
Awarded for his research on the Karst community and grey literature.
- 2008** Anne Gentil-Beccot, CERN, Switzerland
Awarded for her research on the physics community and grey literature.
- 2009** Debbie Rabina, Pratt Institute's School of Information and Library Science, USA
Awarded for her research on copyright licenses and legal deposit of grey literature.
- 2010** Joachim Schöpfel, University of Lille, France
Award presented for his extensive research and publications on grey literature.
- 2010** Christiane Stock, Inist-CNRS, France
Award presented for her work and publication on the OpenSIGLE Repository
- 2011** Bonnie C. Carroll and June Crowe, Information International Associates, Inc. USA
Awards presented for their work on scientific data in grey literature and NGOs.
- 2012** Petra Pejšová, National Technical Library, Prague, Czech Republic
Award presented for her research and management skills in the field of grey literature
- 2013** Marcus Vaska, Knowledge Resource Service; University of Calgary, Canada
Award presented for his extended research in raising awareness of grey literature.
- 2014** Kiyoshi Ikeda, Intellectual Resources Department, Japan Atomic Energy Agency, JAEA
Award for his work in collecting, organizing, and disseminating data and information on nuclear accidents and in particular the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station Accident.

- 2015** Marnix van Berchum, Data Archiving and Networked Services, DANS-KNAW, Netherlands
Award presented for the technical support as service provider for GreyNet's research data issuing from the International Conference Series on Grey Literature.
- 2015** Stefania Biagioni, Institute of Information Science and Technologies, ISTI-CNR, Italy
Award presented for the development and maintenance of the GreyGuide Repository and Web Access Portal for GreyNet's Collections and Resources.
- 2016** Blane K. Dessy, Library of Congress, Washington D.C., USA
Award presented in recognition for sustained support enabling research and development in the field of grey literature.
- 2017** Dobrica Savić, Nuclear Information Section; International Atomic Energy Agency, Austria
Award for his leading role in drafting, promoting, and assessing the 'Pisa Declaration on Policy Development for Grey Literature Resources'.
- 2018** Tomas A. Lipinski, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee; School of Information Studies, USA
Award to be presented on December 2, 2018



GreyNet Honorary Member Register

The international Grey Literature Network Service celebrated last year its Twenty-fifth Anniversary and understands that this milestone was reached in great part through the financial and content contributions of its associate, institutional, and individual members. In recent years, a number of GreyNet Members have retired; however, they continue to share interest in the field of grey literature and remain in contact with GreyNet's range of information services and activities. As an organization, GreyNet chooses to honor these information professionals and seeks to offer a token of lasting thanks for their sustained support.

*Roberta Shaffer *Herbert Gruttemeier *Keith Jeffery *June Crowe *Janie Kaplan *Rosvita Vaska



Educational and Training Initiatives in Grey Literature

Course modules and training are available not only to instructors and students at Schools and Colleges of Library and Information Science, but also to professionals and practitioners working to serve their knowledge based communities. Through the years, GreyNet has taken an active role in curriculum development and instruction. Such initiatives include:

Workshops and Seminars

Introduction to Grey Literature, Supply and Demand Side Grey, Strategies and Future Trends, etc.

Distance Education Program 2007-2009

Undergraduate Accredited Course on Grey Literature via the University of New Orleans, USA

Guest Lecture Series 2004-2008

Lectures on Grey Literature for Masters Students at the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

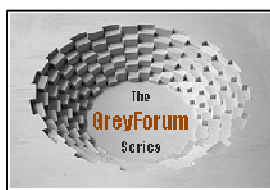
Presentations at Conference, Meetings, and Other Events

Invited Papers and Presentations on topics related to Grey Literature



GreyWorks - Summer Workshop Series on Grey Literature ISSN 2211-1425

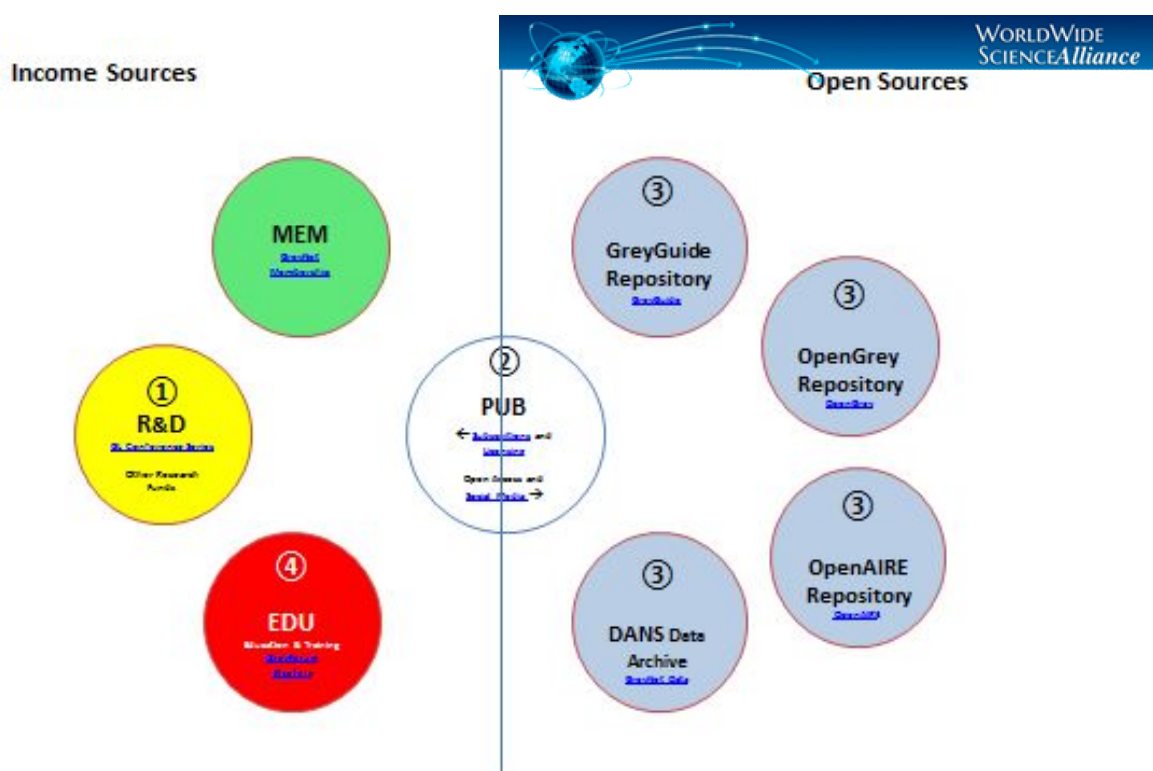
Benchmarks and Forecasts on Grey Literature , Washington DC, USA	May 5, 2009
Benchmarks and Forecasts on Grey Literature , Amsterdam, NL	July 2, 2009
Transparency Governs the Grey Landscape , Washington DC, USA	Aug.10,2010
Ten Strategies for Grey Literature , Amsterdam, NL	Sept.9, 2011
Strategic Mapping of Grey Literature , The Hague, NL	Aug.31,2012
Grey Boot Camp: Exposure to the Grey Landscape , Washington DC, USA	July 25,2013
Leveraging Grey Literature: A Training in Resource Assessment , DC, USA	Aug.11,2015
Leveraging Grey Resources: A Training Module , Amsterdam, NL	Sept.21,2016
Data Papers: An Open Access Tool for Citizen Science Amsterdam, NL	Aug.16, 2018



GreyForum - Onsite and Online Seminars and Workshops "Where grey literature provides common ground for information professionals" ISSN 2213-5735

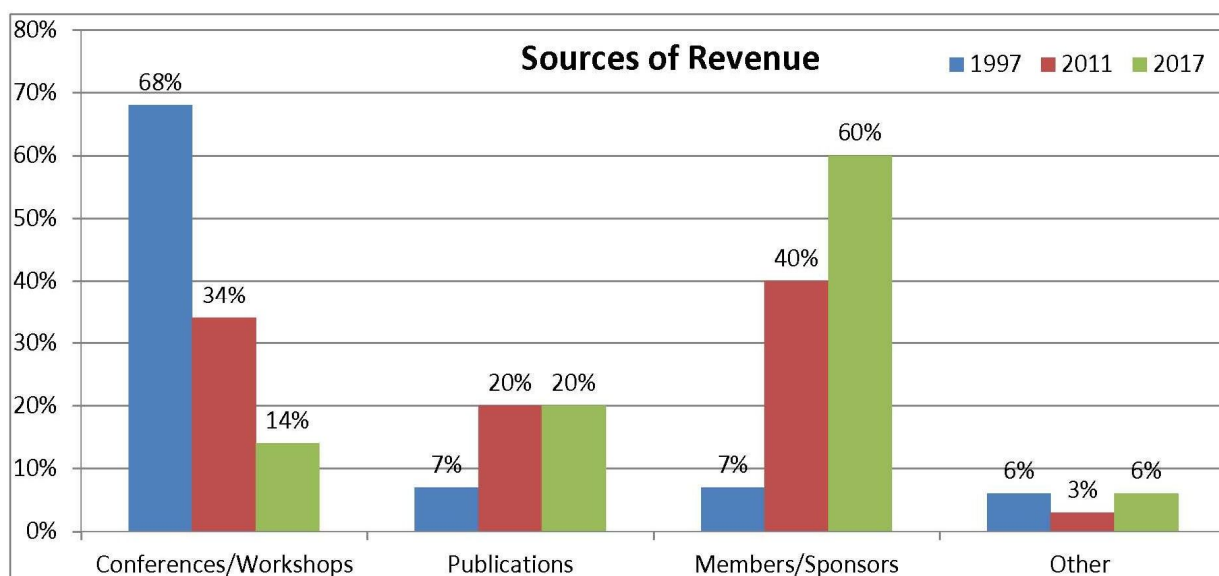
Grey Literature and Information Ethics , St. Hilda's College, Oxford, UK	Jan.31, 2013
Grey Literature and Information Rights , KNVI Conference, NL	Nov.14,2013
Grey Literature and Policy Development , CNR Pisa, Italy	April 7, 2014
Grey Literature and Digital Preservation , Pinto Huis, Amsterdam, NL	Nov.30,2015
Wikipedia for Grey Resources , Library of Congress, Washington DC, USA	May 2, 2016
Data Papers, Trusted Tool in Research & Data Sharing , University of Florida, USA	Mar.20, 2018
Open Data for Research and Enhanced Publication , CNR, Pisa, Italy	May.25, 2018
Data Papers, The Why and How , NTK Prague, Czech Republic (<i>Forthcoming</i>)	Oct. 23, 2018

GreyNet's Sustained mix of Income and Open Sources



Financial Indicators

Since its relaunch in 2003, GreyNet has increased and diversified its sources of revenue. Where it initially was dependent almost solely on participant fees issuing from the international conference series, it has since increased revenues issuing from membership fees, sponsorship fees, advertising, the sale of publications, journal licensing, royalties, as well as educational and training activities. In 2017, membership and sponsorship fees accounted for 60% of the revenues, conference and workshops fees accounted for 14%, and publication fees were 20%. Together, these three sources of revenue accounted for 94% of GreyNet's gross income. The remaining 6% of the income was acquired via other administrative services.



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As seen in the chart above, revenues issuing directly from conference fees have considerably decreased over the years, while the number of conference participants has not. This can be accounted for by the fact that GreyNet has acquired more organizational members as well as conference sponsors. Their paid membership and sponsorship fees entitles them to participation in the conferences. Another factor that explains the decrease in conference revenues are the reductions now offered to authors, students, and employees of host organizations.

Gross Revenues per annum averaged over the last 3 years € 40,328

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
€40,900	€41,164	€45,803	€40,189	€41,578	€41,690	€38,712	€40,582

These figures are based on direct revenues, while other indirect revenues also have to be taken into consideration. For example, a conference host that provides the location, equipment, and catering for the annual event circumvents costs to the Program and Conference Bureau. A sponsor for a social event linked to a conference is yet another example of indirect or non-accounted revenues without which TextRelease/GreyNet would be unable to meet its operating costs.

Operating Costs

Direct and indirect costs associated with TextRelease and its Grey Literature Network Service include human resources, office maintenance, travel and lodging (related to site visits, conferences, workshops, committee meetings and other field work), conference materials and publications, as well as special events (annual award dinner, social programs, reception, conference tours, etc.). An overview of such expenditures are provided in the table below.

Human Resources	Office Maintenance	Travel and Lodging	Conferencing and Publications
Full time Director	Office Supplies & Equipment	Hotels	Pouches
Freelance Technician	Utilities	Airfare	Badges
Project Workers	Printing	Trains	Program books
Accountant	Telecom	Auto rentals	Newsletters
Notary of the Public	Insurances	Taxis	Proceedings
Tax Consultant	Taxes	Gas	Journal
	Chamber of Commerce	Public transit	Websites
	Bank and Credit Cards	Meals	Course Materials
	Web services		Promotional items

GreyNet Statistics *(As of December 31, 2017)*

The statistics provided are from a number of sources including Network Solutions Web logs, EBSCO licensed publishing, GreyNet Service Providers, as well as, in-house administrative files.



2017 Year End	2016 Year End	GreyNet Stats
12	11	GreyNet Organizational Members
53	40	Countries with GreyNet contacts
507	280	Organizational contacts worldwide

375	360	Contributing Authors/Researchers
1020	1000	GreyNet Distribution List
684	690	GreyNet LinkedIn Members
1264	1285	GreyNet Twitter Followers
119	98	GreyNet Facebook Friends
30	25	Research Datasets in the DANS Archive
379	363	Full-text metadata records in OpenGrey Repository
624	538	Full-text metadata records in GreyGuide Repository
4044	2457	Full-text TGJ journal article downloads from EBSCO LISTA-FT database
10760	14576	Page views to TextRelease.com -- Conference site
43,600	44514	Page views to GreyNet.org – Website
530,452	265,993	Page views to GreyGuide – GreyNet’s Web Access Repository

SWOT Analysis

Strengths

Leadership role, an established and recognized international information network, GreyNet as Brand Name, Corporate Memory, Partnerships and Agreements, Good Will, Commitment to Open Access, Over twenty-five years expertise in the field of grey literature, Sustained information resources, and a track record of before and after sales delivery and service, Established banking and fiscal control.

Weaknesses

ICT issues such as website functionality including graphic design, online ordering, use/user statistics and their analyses, underdeveloped marketing, sales, and promotional activities. Insufficient reserves for further investment. A sole proprietorship seen as an obstacle to potential membership. Insufficient presence at key national and international conferences where grey literature is either directly or indirectly related to the themes and programs.

Opportunities

Further role in training and education, as well as research and (digital) publication. Ability to upgrade, enhance, and leverage existing products and services. Increased potential for sponsorship. Better access to funding and grants. Streamlining the workflow through outsourcing. Further cooperation with the open access community as well as further cooperation with commercial publishers and licensing agents. More use of available social media and networks.

Threats

Continuity, inability to respond to growth leading to missed opportunities, infrastructure’s command of the ever changing information landscape, an uncertain financial climate.

GreyNet Timeline 1992-2018

“Over a Quarter Century of Service to the International Grey Literature Community”

2018 - 2016	2015 - 2014	2013 - 2011	2010 -2008	2007 - 2000	1999 -1992
2018	2015	2013	2010	2007	1999
GL20 Twentieth International Conference on Grey Literature, Loyola University, New Orleans, USA <i>Forthcoming 3-4 December</i> Data Papers Workshops UF, Mar. 20th USA CNR, May 25th IT OBA, Aug. 16th NL NTK, Oct.23rd CZ  Honorary Member Register	GL17 Seventeenth International Conference on Grey Literature in the KNAW Amsterdam Pisa Declaration Translated into 19 languages Special Winter issue of TGJ on Repositories GreyWorks'15 <u>Leveraging Grey Literature</u>, Washington D.C.	GL15 Fifteenth International Conference on Grey Literature, Bratislava, SK 2-3 December 1st GreyForum <u>Information Ethics</u> GreyWorks'13 Summer Series Launch GreyGuide Repository  2nd GreyForum <u>Information Rights</u>	GL12 Twelfth International Conference on Grey Literature in Prague with NTK as Host Monograph on Grey Literature published by De Gruyter Saur GreyWorks'10 Summer Workshop Series; GreyNet's Retro.Collections 1993-1999 in OpenSIGLE GreyNet launched LinkedIn Group	GL9 Ninth International Conference on Grey Literature in Antwerp with EWI as Host; Grey Literature accredited course via UNO OpenSIGLE – GreyNet Bilateral agreement GL8 Eighth International Conference on Grey Literature in New Orleans	GL'99 Fourth International Conference on Grey Literature in Washington D.C. USA 1998 GreyNet merged with MCB University Press 1997 GL'97 Third International Conference on Grey Literature in Luxembourg with the EC as Host 1996 GreyWorks'96 Workshop on Grey Literature in College Park Maryland, USA 1995 GL'95 Second International Conference on Grey Literature in Washington D.C. at Catholic University of America 1994 First volume of the Conference Proceedings published 1993 GL'93 First International Conference on Grey Literature in Amsterdam with EAGLE as Main Sponsor 1992 GreyNet established under the auspices of TransAtlantic^{DF}
2017	2014	2012	2009	2005	1996
1992 2017 25th Anniversary  GL19 Nineteenth International Conference on Grey Literature in Rome, Italy with CNR as Host. 23-24 October Data Papers Project	Facebook RSS Feeds 4th GreyForum <u>Digital Preservation</u>, Amsterdam, NL GL16 Sixteenth International Conference on Grey Literature in Washington D.C., Host FEDLINK/LC New GreyNet Infrastructure 3rd GreyForum <u>Policy Development</u> Pisa Declaration  Twitter GreyGuide web access portal OpenAIRE Portal to GreyNet's Collection of Conference Preprints in OpenGrey	GL14 Fourteenth International Conference on Grey Literature in Rome, Italy with CNR as Host GreyWorks'12 Summer Workshop Series International Directory of Organizations in Grey Literature GreyNet's Collection of research data in DANS Archive GL13 Thirteenth International Conference on Grey Literature, Washington D.C. FEDLINK as Host GreyWorks'11 Summer Series OAI7 Open Access Workshop in Geneva, CH OpenGrey succeeded OpenSIGLE Password Access to Serials	GL11 - Eleventh International Conference on Grey Literature, Washington D.C. FEDLINK Host GreyWorks'09 relaunch of the Workshop Series Grey Literature; First edition of GreyNet's Newsletter GL10 Tenth International Conference on Grey Literature in Amsterdam Science Park; GreyNet 's Collections 2003-2007 via OpenSIGLE;  The Grey Journal Recipient Dutch National Award	GL7 Seventh International Conference on Grey Literature in Nancy, France with INIST Host The Grey Journal, TGJ launched GL6 Sixth International Conference on Grey Literature in New York with NYAM as Host; First GreyNet Award Dinner GL5 Fifth International Conference on Grey Literature in Amsterdam; GreyNet's relaunch by TextRelease GreyNet discontinued by MCB University Press Golden Candle Award 	GL'96 Workshop on Grey Literature in College Park Maryland, USA GL'95 Second International Conference on Grey Literature in Washington D.C. at Catholic University of America 1994 First volume of the Conference Proceedings published 1993 GL'93 First International Conference on Grey Literature in Amsterdam with EAGLE as Main Sponsor 1992 GreyNet established under the auspices of TransAtlantic^{DF}