

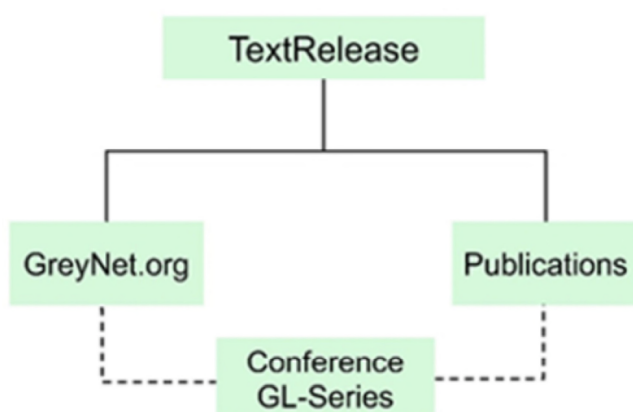
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This business report is intended to provide a comprehensive, up to date overview of the workings of TextRelease and its International Grey Literature Network Service. TextRelease is an independent information and publishing bureau specializing in the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

GreyNet 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 accommodate further growth, enhance its existing resources, and rise to challenges required for innovation, GreyNet powered by TextRelease seeks to outsource the International Conference Series on Grey Literature. GreyNet will continue as corporate author to the serial publications published by TextRelease such as the GL Conference Proceedings, the Program Books, and The Grey Journal. Likewise, all partnerships,

licensed agreements, collaborations with service providers, and contracts undertaken by TextRelease on behalf of GreyNet will remain in effect. The work by GreyNet's Resource Policy Committee, Social Media Publishing Committee, and Education and Training Committee will likewise remain ongoing. GreyNet will further maintain representation on the Conference Program Committee.

This year's edition of GreyNet's Business Report incorporates alongside Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) a number of persistent identifiers (PIDs), namely ORCID, ROR ID, DOI, OpenDOAR, and Crossref Funder ID. This will enable the reader to easily navigate to primary sources and resources linked to a given text. More on these and other developments are found in this wiki-like edition of the Business Report 2021.

Dominic Farace, Director

December 2021



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Leadership in the field Grey Literature



[Dominic Farace](#),

Director 1992 - ...



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Tech. Assistant 1996 - ...

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GreyNet Associate Members 2021



[TIB Hannover Germany](#)

Associate Member 2017 - ...



[EBSCO Publishing, United States](#)

Associate Member 2005 - ...



[ISTI-CNR, Italy](#)

[Crossref Funder ID](#)

Associate Member 2012 - ...



[CVTISR, Slovak Republic](#)

Associate Member 2012 - ...



[University of Florida, United States](#)

[Crossref Funder ID](#)

Associate Member 2018 - ...



[KISTI, South Korea](#)

[Crossref Funder ID](#)

Associate Member 2013 - ...



[NTK, Czech Republic](#)

Associate Member 2010 - ...



[Nuclear Information Section, IAEA](#)

[Crossref Funder ID](#)

Associate Member 2013 - ...

NLM

**National Library of Medicine
United States**

<https://www.nlm.nih.gov/>

Associate Member 2021 - ...

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 publications.

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:



[TIB AV-Portal](#)

WorldWideScience.org

OpenAIRE

[ISTI-CNR](#)

[DANS Data Archive](#)

FedGrey Working Group, [LoC](#)

ICSTI

[Inist-CNRS](#)

[EBSCO](#) / LISTA-FT

German National Library for Science and Technology, 2018 - ...

World Wide Science Alliance, 2016 - ...

Open Access Infrastructure for Research in Europe, 2015 - ...

[GreyGuide Repository](#) and Web Access Portal, 2013 - ...

GreyNet Research Data entry and open access, 2012 - ...

FEDLINK-GreyNet Memorandum of Understanding, 2011 - ...

GreyNet Partnership, 2009 - ...

[OpenGrey Repository](#), [formerly OpenSIGLE] 2007 - 2017

License Agreement for The Grey Journal, 2005- ...

Other Publishing Agreements

CSA/PAIS Int.

LISA Index

SCOPUS / [Elsevier](#)

A&I Service for 'The Grey Journal', 2006 - ...

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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 – Committee's and Chairmen 2021

<p style="text-align: center;">CPC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GL2020 Conference Program Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair</i> Dr. Plato L. Smith, USA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">International Conference Series on Grey Literature</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SMP</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Social Media Publishing Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair</i> Dr. Joachim Schöpfel, France</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Serials, Non-Serials, and Social Media</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RPC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Resource Policy Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair</i> Dr. Dobrica Savić, Austria</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Repositories, Portals, and Web-based Resources</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">E&T</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Education and Training Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair</i> David Baxter, Canada</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Library and Information Studies</p>

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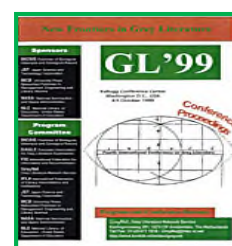
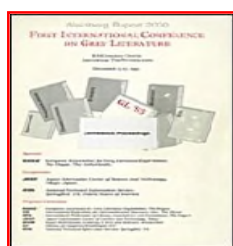
In providing an infrastructure commensurate to its mission and core activities, GreyNet is supported by four working committees. The four chairpersons form the GreyNet's Joint Chair, which meets annually. Together they advance GreyNet's manifold mission dedicated to research, publication, open access,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

TextRelease

Products, Services, and Professional Activities

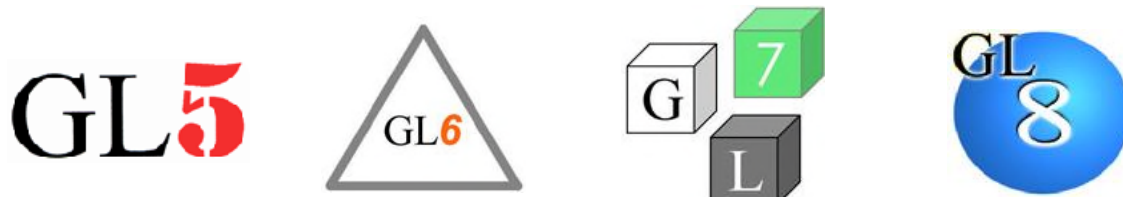
As Program and Conference Bureau, the main activities of TextRelease include the identification and negotiation with potential conference hosts for the annual conference venues and the identification and acquisition of conference sponsors and advertisers. The formation of Program Committees and Chairpersons 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, 1993-2021



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.

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| 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 |



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



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



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



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



- GL21** **Open Science Encompasses New Forms of Grey Literature** (Germany) **2019**
 German National Library for Science and Technology, 22-23 October
- GL2020** **Applications of Grey Literature for Science and Society** (Italy) **2020**
 National Research Council of Italy, 19 November
- GL2021** **Digital Transformation of Grey Literature: Exploring Next Generation Grey** (NL) **2021**
 OBA Forum Amsterdam, Netherlands, Forthcoming 6-7 December

International Conference Series on Grey Literature		
Conference Lifecycle and Workflow		
Milestones and Deliverables		
PRE-CONFERENCE	CONFERENCE	POST-CONFERENCE
		
Conference Announcement	Program Books	Author full-text papers
Call-for-Papers	Conference Presentations	Conference Proceedings
Conference Proposals	Conference Evaluation	Conference Papers
Author Memoranda	Non-Exclusive Rights Agreement	PowerPoint Slides
Author BIOs	Video Recording	Video Presentations
Call-for-Posters	Poster Prize	Conference Posters
Conference Site	Social Media	Research data
GreyNet Award Dinner	Pre-Conference Announcement	DOI Minting

GL Conference Hosts 1993-2021

CNR Rome
CUA Washington D.C.
CVTISR Bratislava
EU CEC/DG XIII
EWI Brussels
FEDLINK, Library of Congress
German National Library for Science and Technology
Inist-CNRS, Nancy
MCB University Press
NTK, National Library of Technology
NYAM, New York Academy of Medicine

Italy
United States
Slovak Republic
Luxembourg
Belgium
United States
Germany
France
United Kingdom
Czech Republic
United States

GL Conference Sponsors 1993-2021

ACM Digital Library
British Library
BIOSIS
City of Amsterdam
City of Nancy
CRL
DANS-KNAW
Deanet Media Company
DTIC
EAGLE
EBSCO Publishing
EIPASS | European Informatics Passport
Elsevier
Endeavor Information Services
EU Bookshop
EU Cordis
GESIS
ICSTI
Ila, Inc.
ISTI-CNR
JST
KISTI
LLC
NIS-IAEA
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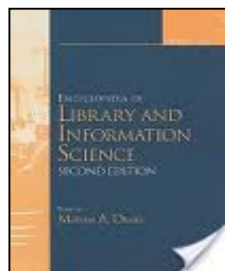
TGJ Volume 17, Number 1, Spring 2021	Exploring the Grey Side of Open Science
TGJ Volume 17, Number 2, Summer 2021	Case in Point – Every Document is Born Grey
TGJ Volume 17, Number 3, Autumn 2021	Tracking the Ins and Outs of Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 16, Special ed. Winter 2020	Visibility of Grey Literature in the Digital Age
TGJ Volume 16, Number 1, Spring 2020	Grey Literature Seen in Transition
TGJ Volume 16, Number 2, Summer 2020	Grey Literature – A Platform and Interface for Open Science
TGJ Volume 16, Number 3, Autumn 2020	Open Access, Publishing, and Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 15, Special ed. Winter 2019	Grey Repositories in the face of Digital Challenges
TGJ Volume 15, Number 1, Spring 2019	Data Librarians Speak Out on Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 15, Number 2, Summer 2019	Open Access to Grey Research Data
TGJ Volume 15, Number 3, Autumn 2019	Advancing Open Science and Grey Literature
TGJ Volume 14, Special ed. Winter 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	Profiling Grey Data for Public Access
TGJ Volume 13, Special ed. Winter 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 ed. Winter 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 ed. Winter 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

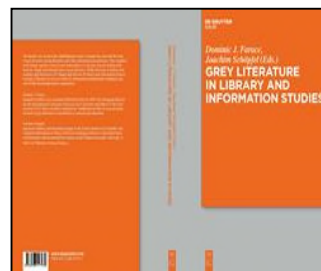
Other Serial and Non-Serial Publications



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[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 - 2021 ISSN 1386-2316

[Conference Program Books on Grey Literature](#) 2003 - 2019 ISSN 1386-2308

[GreyNet Quarterly Newsletter](#) 2009 - 2021 ISSN 1877-6035

[GreyWorks Summer Workshop Series](#) 2009 - 2019 ISSN 2211-1425

[GreyForum Series, Onsite-Online Workshops](#) 2013 - 2019 ISSN 2213-5735

Social Media and Networking

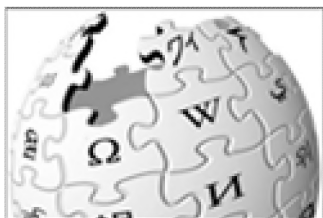


GreyNet LinkedIn Group

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3718857/>

GreyNet Twitter Social Blogging

<https://twitter.com/GreyLitNet>



GreyNet International Facebook

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

GreyNet RSS Feeds

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

Wikipedia

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

GreyNet's Web Access Portal and Repository

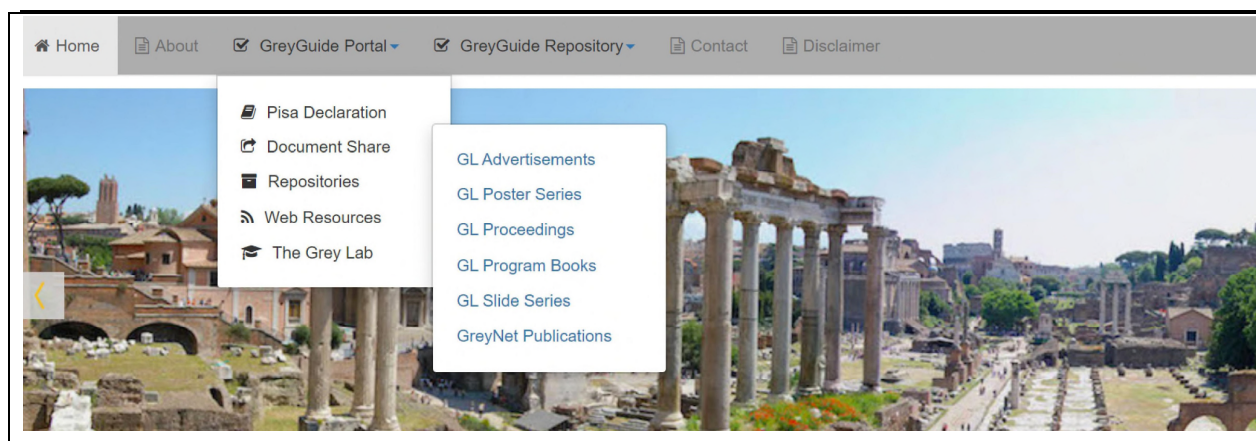


Repository and Guide to Good Practices and Resources in Grey Literature

GreyNet's Position on the information landscape is Redefined

The [GreyGuide Repository and Portal](#) to Good Practices and Resources in Grey Literature offers information professionals, practitioners and students shared common ground in the field of grey literature. In early 2014, GreyNet (content provider) reached agreement with ISTI-CNR (service provider) to embark on the GreyGuide Project. GreyNet collections and web content that were only accessible either via its website or allied conference site began migration to the GreyGuide Repository and Portal. This allowed for combined search, browse, and retrieval capability across collections - whereby standardized metadata and full-text can be harvested online. Alongside good practices in grey literature, GreyNet's in-house collections of persons and organizations in the field of grey literature, as well as research projects, conference proposals, conference papers, and other resources in grey literature are now openly accessible via the GreyGuide.

GreyGuide Portal



GreyGuide Repository

997 Records as of September 10, 2021

BIO	Who is in Grey Literature	240 Metadata records with ORCiDs and ROR IDs
GLA	Conference Abstracts/Proposals	190 Metadata records
GLP	Conference Papers	443 Full-text metadata records with DOIs
RGL	Resources in Grey Literature	124 Multidisciplinary and multiple document types

OpenDOAR

In 2020 the GreyGuide Repository was registered in [OpenDOAR](#), the Directory of Open Access Repositories



Starting in 2020, the ROR ID ([Research Organization Registry](#)) was entered in the BIO metadata records



Starting in 2018, the [ORCID](#) (a unique, persistent digital identifier assigned to an author-researcher) was included as a metadata field in the **BIO Collection** as well as in **TGJ, The Grey Journal**.



In 2018, [GreyNet became a minting service for DOIs](#) (a unique, digital object identifier that is assigned to content, which provides a persistent link to its location on the Internet). The DOI field is included in the **GLP and RGL Collections**.

GreyNet's Open Access Resources and Service Providers



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 over [49 published research datasets](#) and 17 accompanying Data Papers in DANS.



The TIB AV-Portal is a web-based platform for quality-tested scientific videos. TIB and GreyNet International have a Media Partnership. Video recordings of GreyNet International events are hosted on the AV-Portal. The GreyNet International logo will be shown on the publisher's page in the AV-Portal and GreyNet International is acknowledged as publisher in the metadata of each video. Currently there are [77 published video presentations](#) in GreyNet's collection.



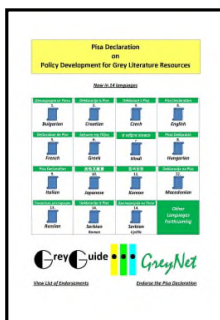
Over [375 full-text metadata records](#) originating in the GL Conference Series including their corresponding full-text papers, PowerPoint slides, abstracts, biographical notes, and post-publication commentaries are available via the OpenGrey Repository <http://www.opengrey.eu>. This web-based resource 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. 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 with OpenAIRE has been reached with the GreyGuide and OpenGrey, whereby GreyNet's Collections of Conference Preprints and published Conference Papers are now harvested and accessible in OpenAIRE via its Discovery services, which now accounts for [928 research outcomes](#).



WorldWideScience.org is a global science gateway comprised of national and international scientific databases and portals among which now include the [GreyGuide](#), [OpenAIRE](#), [OpenGrey](#), [TIB AV-Portal](#), 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.



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 150 information professionals](#) from renowned organizations worldwide and has now been [translated into 22 languages](#): Armenian, Arabic, Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hindi, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Macedonian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Tagalog, Turkish, and Ukrainian.

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)

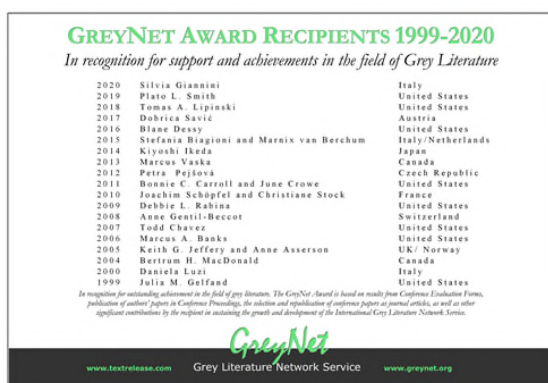
Conference based Research Projects on Grey Literature, 2003-2021

- 2003-2004** A Review of Four Information Professionals Their Work and Impact on the Field of GL
- 2004-2005** Citation Analysis and Grey Literature: Stakeholders in the Grey Circuit
- 2004-2005** Grey Literature Survey 2004: Research project tracking developments in the field of GL
- 2005-2006** Access to Grey Content: An Analysis of GL based on Citation and Survey Data
- 2006-2007** Knowledge Generation in the Field of GL: A Review of Conference-based Research

<u>2007-2008</u>	Grey Literature: A Pilot Course constructed and implemented via Distance Education
<u>2008-2009</u>	OpenSIGLE, Home to GreyNet's Research Community and its Grey Literature
<u>2009-2010</u>	OpenSIGLE - Crossroads for Libraries, Research and Educational Institutions in GL
<u>2010-2011</u>	Peering through the Review Process: Towards Transparency in Grey Literature
<u>2011-2012</u>	Linking full-text grey literature to underlying research and post-publication data
<u>2013-2014</u>	GreyGuide - Guide to Good Practice in Grey Literature
<u>2014-2015</u>	GreyGuide, GreyNet's web access portal and lobby for change in Grey Literature
<u>2015-2016</u>	Leveraging Grey Literature – Capitalizing on Value and the Return on Investment
<u>2016-2017</u>	Policy Development for GL Resources: An Assessment of the Pisa Declaration
<u>2017-2018</u>	Data Papers are Witness to Trusted Resources in Grey Literature: A Project Use Case
<u>2018-2019</u>	Open Data engages Citation and Reuse: A Follow-up Study on Enhanced Publication
<u>2019-2020</u>	AccessGrey: Securing Open Access to Grey Literature for Science and Society
<u>2020-2021</u>	Grey Literature Resources generate and drive Awareness to a Circular Economy
<u>2021</u>	Grey Literature and Persistent Identifiers: A PID Project and GreyNet Use Case

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 Awards 1999 – 2021

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 research in the field of grey literature.
- 2017** [Dobrica Savić](#), Nuclear Information Section; International Atomic Energy Agency, UN
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 for his corpus of publications dealing with legal issues and information rights in the field of grey literature.
- 2019** [Plato L. Smith](#), University of Florida, George A. Smathers Libraries, USA
Award for his work dealing with grey literature research data, its reuse, and preservation. As well as for his profound organizational support.
- 2020** [Silvia Giannini](#), Institute of Information Science and Technologies, ISTI-CNR, Italy
Special recognition for her professional and decisive style of management of the Twenty-Second International Conference on Grey Literature during a year challenged by a pandemic
- 2021** [Carlo Carlesi](#), Institute of Information Science and Technologies, ISTI-CNR, Italy
Ten years of service to the international grey literature community as technical developer and support of the GreyGuide – GreyNet's web-access Portal and Repository
- 2021** [Jerry Frantzen](#), GreyNet International, Grey Literature Network Service, Netherlands
Twenty-five years of service to the international grey literature community as technical editor, project assistant, and the overall technical support of GreyNet International



GreyNet Honorary Member Register

In 2017, the international Grey Literature Network Service celebrated 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, USA * Herbert Gruttemeier, France * Keith Jeffery, United Kingdom
* June Crowe, USA * Leonid Pavlov, Russia * Janie Kaplan, USA * Rosvita Vaska, Canada



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 , UvA, Amsterdam, NL	Sept.21,2016
Data Papers: An Open Access Tool for Citizen Science , OBA, Amsterdam, NL	Aug.16, 2018



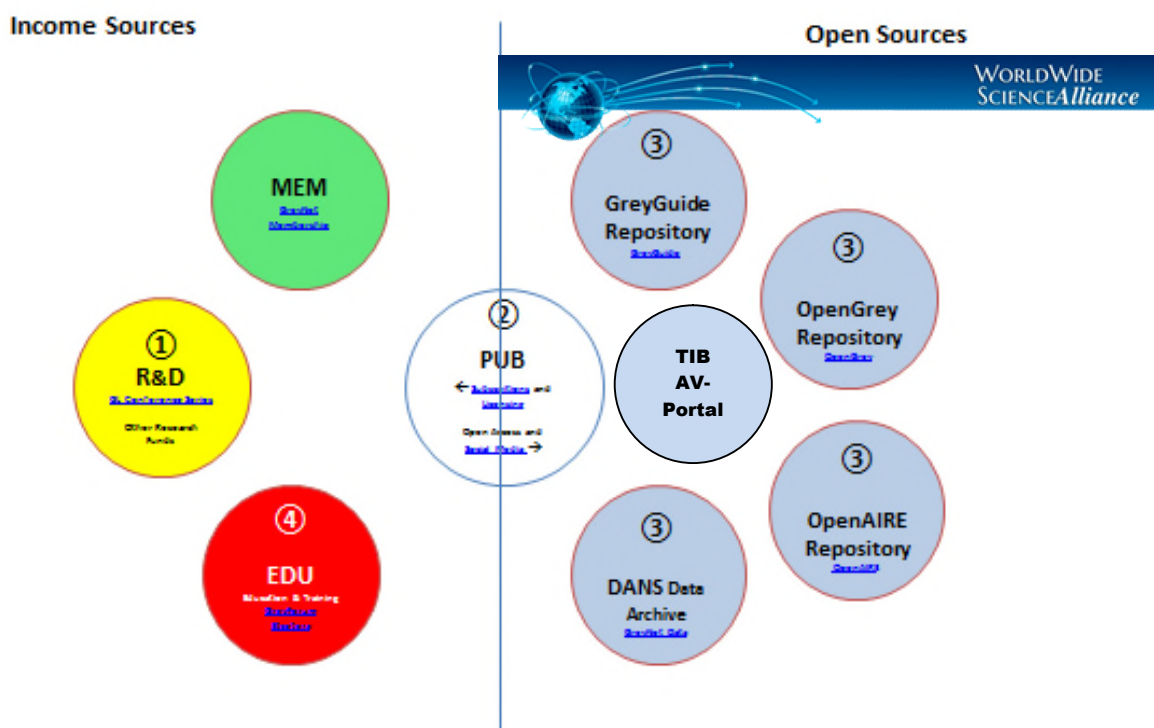
GreyForum - Onsite and Online Seminars and Workshops

"Where grey literature provides common ground for information professionals"

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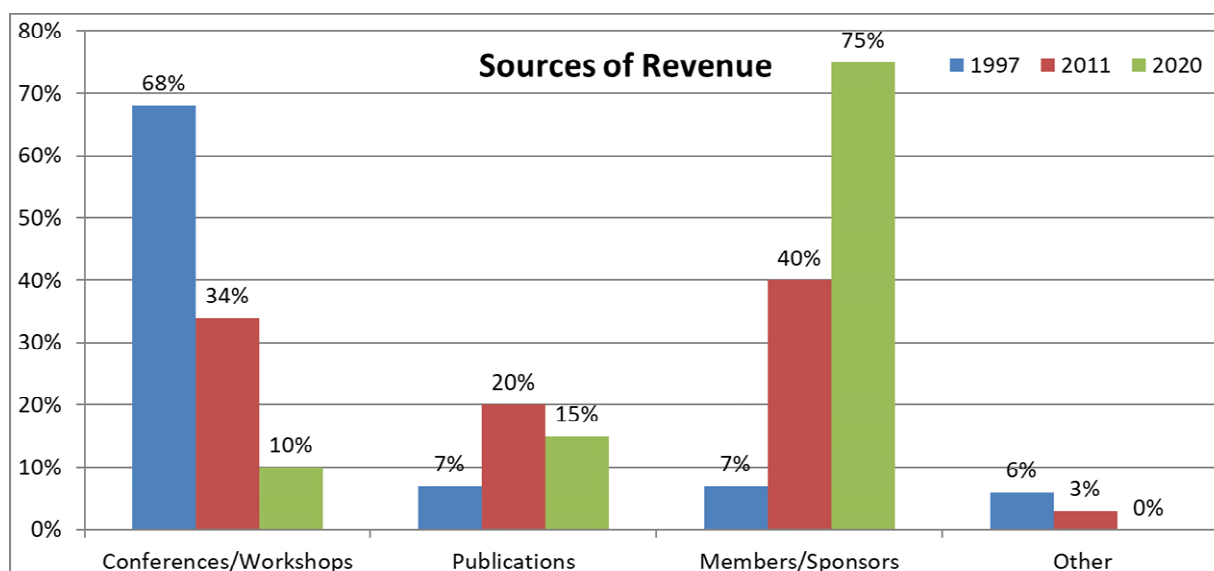
Grey Literature and Information Ethics , St. Hilda's College, Oxford, UK	Jan.31, 2013
Grey Literature and Information Rights , KNVI Conference, NL	Nov.14,2013
Grey Literature and Policy Development , CNR Pisa, Italy	April 7, 2014
Grey Literature and Digital Preservation , Pinto Huis, Amsterdam, NL	Nov.30,2015
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	Oct. 23, 2018
Grey Literature and the Circular Economy , OBA, Amsterdam, NL	Sept, 5, 2019

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 2020, membership and sponsorship fees accounted for 75% of the revenues, conference and workshops fees accounted for 10%, and publication fees were 15%. Together, these three sources of revenue accounted for 100% of GreyNet's gross income.



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. Another factor that explains the decrease in conference revenues are the reductions now offered to authors, students, and employees of host and partner organizations.

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, publishing costs, etc.

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SWOT Analysis / Call for Tenders

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, A near 30 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 both onsite and online, 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.