ISNI-VIAF Summit

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Why this summit now?

• Everyone is talking about identifiers
• New ones are being invented
• ISNI’s mission is to become a bridge-identifier linking other identifiers – both proprietary and open
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• ISNI and VIAF bring together the common effort of libraries worldwide in managing identities
• ISNI and VIAF are at a critical point of interest, usage and readiness for further development
• We need to resolve how libraries can work directly and sustainably with ISNI and VIAF to more efficiently share their common effort
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- ISNI identifier provides an opportunity to leverage the value of linked library authority data with different communities for new purposes
Summit objectives

• A strategic roadmap for the development of ISNI and VIAF into a sustainable global model for shared authority control and identity management between libraries
  • VIAF/ISNI operations and workflows
  • VIAF/ISNI business model and services
  • VIAF/ISNI domain interoperability
  • ISNI domain governance