

# Looking Back to the Future

## Research Agendas for Library and Information Science

A commemorative workshop in memory of Brian Perry  
Director of the British Library's Research and Development  
Department 1984 – 1995

**Monday 27 November 2006**  
**British Library Conference Centre**

**Programme | Morning session | Chair: Lynne Brindley**

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Coffee available from 9.30

**10.15 | Introduction**

**Lynne Brindley**  
Chief Executive  
British Library

**10.30 | Blessed are the cheesemakers: evidence based policy versus the oral tradition**

**Derek Law**  
Librarian and Head of Information Resources Directorate  
University of Strathclyde

**11.00 | Always look on the bright side – LIS research since 2000**

**Peter Brophy**  
Director, Centre for Research in Library & Information Management (CERLIM)  
Manchester Metropolitan University

**11.30 | First breakout session**

**Introduction**  
**Biddy Fisher**  
Head of Information Services  
Sheffield Hallam University

**Research needs** – Short presentations from new researchers  
in Library and Information Science

**Juliet Eve**

Senior Lecturer, Division of Information and Media Studies  
University of Brighton

**Miggie Pickton**

Academic Librarian, Information Services  
University of Northampton

**Noeleen Schenk**

Consultant

**Seamus Simpson**

Principal Lecturer and Research Co-ordinator  
Department of Information and Communications  
Manchester Metropolitan University

**12.05 | Delegates breakout into four groups – See breakout group lists**

**Facilitators**

**Mel Collier**

Director of the University Library  
Catholic University of Leuven

**Biddy Fisher**

Head of Information Services  
Sheffield Hallam University

**Stephanie Kenna**

Manager, Regional and Library Programmes  
British Library

**Nigel Macartney**

Director of Information Services  
University of Ulster

**12.45 | Lunch**

**Programme | Afternoon session | Chair: Mel Collier**

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**13.45 | Research into practice; prospects for a future framework**

**Bob McKee**

Chief Executive  
Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals

**14.30 | Second breakout session**

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**15.15 | Tea**

**Programme | Final session | Chair: Nigel Macartney**

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15.45 | Feedback from breakout session

16.15 | The way forward

**Judith Elkin**

Pro Vice Chancellor & Deputy Chief Executive  
University of Worcester

16.45 | Close