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## Transparency in Grey Literature:

### Conference Announcement

At the onset of twenty-ten, Grey Literature emerged into the public arena after more than a quarter century in the corridors of libraries and in workplaces and meeting rooms of information practitioners and professionals. Grey Literature is now a topic of news in the world media. Coverage in magazines and newspapers e.g. Nature, New Scientist, The Economist, the Guardian, etc. carrying articles on the IPCC use/misuse of grey literature is current and in-depth. For those following these news threads, much of the publicity is less than complimentary. And, the grey literature community has not been hesitant in its response via blogs, listservs, distribution lists, etc. During the coming months leading up to GL12, the international grey literature community will have the opportunity to bundle its efforts in order to address issues that stand at the core of grey literature and which have come under fire in the public media. One thing is certain, now that grey literature has entered the mainstream press, it will not simply disappear. It is now up to the corporate authors and publishers of grey literature as well as those organizations processing and distributing it both in print and electronic formats to address the misconceptions and unknowns about this field of information science. The Twelfth International Conference on Grey Literature will provide a global forum for stakeholders in government, academics, business and industry to come together on issues formulated in the GL12 Call-for-Papers. This year's proposed themes accentuate the transparency in grey literature and the almost seamless processes of research, authorship, publication, indexing, as well as, the uses and applications to which it is exposed in knowledge based communities. Many of these processes are the same faced by commercial publishing, where only the differences lie in grey tech approaches to high tech issues.



## Grey Tech Approaches to High Tech Issues

<http://www.textrelease.com/gl12callforpapers.html>

Participants who seek to present a paper at GL12 are invited to submit an English abstract between 300-400 words. Further guidelines for abstracts can be found on the conference site. The due date is **April 15, 2010**. Topics for this year's conference are grouped in

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**Twelfth International Conference on Grey Literature**  
6-7 December 2010, National Technical Library, Prague, Czech Republic

# GL11 Conference Proceedings

*Now in Print*

Eleventh International Conference on Grey Literature  
*The Grey Mosaic, Piecing It All Together*



14-15 December 2009 in the Library of Congress, Washington D.C., USA edited by Dominic J. Farace and Jerry Frantzen ; GreyNet, Grey Literature Network Service. - Amsterdam : TextRelease, 2010. 138 p. ; 30 cm. - (GL-Conference series, ISSN 1386 2316 ; No. 11) I S B N 9 7 8 - 9 0 - 7 7 4 8 4 - 1 3 - 5

The British Library (United Kingdom), INIST-CNRS (France), New York Academy of Medicine (United States), and the National Technical Library (Czech Republic) are corporate authors and associate members of GreyNet International. These conference proceedings contain the full text of eighteen papers presented during the two days of plenary and parallel sessions. The papers appear in the same order as in the conference program book. Included is an Author Index along with biographical notes, a List of Participating Organizations, and sponsored advertisements. For those libraries and information centres that house the earlier volumes in the GL-Conference Series, it is recommended that they place renewal orders as soon as possible. [http://www.textrelease.com/images/GL11\\_Publication\\_Order\\_Form.pdf](http://www.textrelease.com/images/GL11_Publication_Order_Form.pdf)

## Government Alliance to Grey Literature

*Forthcoming - Spring 2010, Volume 6, Number 1*



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## GreyNet Collections 1995-2009 in



Twenty-one, full-text papers from the Second International Conference on Grey Literature held in Washington D.C. on November 2-3, 1995 are now retrospectively available in the OpenSIGLE Repository. GreyNet purchased permission last year from Emerald to make openly accessible the papers published in the GL Conference Proceedings from 1994 to 2000. Since its relaunch in 2003, GreyNet has sought to recover this earlier research in the field of grey literature and make it available to librarians, researchers, educators, students, and net-users alike. These earlier collections are added to the more recent collections in the OpenSIGLE Repository. By autumn 2010, it is anticipated that all of the papers in the International Conference Series on Grey Literature will be fully accessible via the OpenSIGLE Repository. <http://www.greynet.org/opensiglerepository.html>

## Encyclopedia of Library and Information Sciences, Third Edition

### Abstract

This entry provides an overview on the definition and evolution of grey literature in the emerging environment of digital resources and open access to scientific and technical information as well as the social sciences and humanities. First, it gives some empirical evidence on the importance of grey literature in scientific publications from different domains, especially library and information sciences (LIS), based on citation analysis. Other topics include the impact of Internet on the production of grey literature, the place of grey resources in open archives and institutional repositories, the development of bibliographic control and standardization, and the difficulties of identification and accessing grey documents. The entry ends with some predictions on the future of grey literature and open questions for research in Library and Information Sciences.

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content-db=all?content=10.1081/E-ELIS3-120043732>

## ICSTI's 2010 Helsinki Conference



ICSTI's 2010 Summer Conference will focus on the significance of information as the catalyst for innovative advances in science, technology and medicine research, and the opportunities that these present for conversion into business opportunities. Session topics are: Information as the Lifeblood of Research and Innovation; Intelligent Information Solutions and Services; Creating the Future - Towards the Global Innovation Economy. Speakers include representatives from Sitra, the Finnish Innovation Fund, Seed Media Group, Elsevier, Nature Publishing Group, Microsoft, and Southampton University. Please go to ICSTI's EVENTS page <http://www.icsti.org/events.php> or directly to (Helsinki Conference page) for full details of the programme, speakers, hotels, social programme and REGISTRATION FORM. Please note that the early bird registration closes on 14 April and members of ALPSP, CENDI and GreyNet are eligible to register at the ICSTI member rate. For more information, contact Tony Llewellyn, ICSTI Executive Director, [aj.llewellyn@btinternet.com](mailto:aj.llewellyn@btinternet.com)

# T e a r S h e e t s :

## Grey Literature

**Out of the box** - Bibliographic, Biographic, Geographic, Typographic, Thematic, and Collection based content in the field of Grey Literature: <http://www.textrelease.com/tearsheets.html>

### Tear Sheet 1. **List of Grey Literature Document Types**

This list was first compiled in 2004 during a study on citation analysis and grey literature in which 72 document types were cited. Since then, the list has been maintain on GreyNet's website and further developed by the international grey literature community.

### Tear Sheet 2. **Index to Web based Resources in Grey Literature**

GreySource provides examples of grey literature to average net-user and in so doing profiles organizations responsible for its production and/or processing. Only web-based resources that explicitly refer to the term grey literature (or its equivalent in any language) are listed. GreySource identifies the hyperlink directly embedded in a resource, thus allowing immediate and virtual exposure to grey literature. The web-based resources appear within categories derived from the COSATI (American) and SIGLE (European) Classification Systems. The few changes that have been introduced into the classification scheme are intended to facilitate search and retrieval by net-users.

### Tear Sheet 3. **Who is in Grey Literature – Country Guide**

WHOIS in the field of Grey Literature is a compilation of biographical notes pro-vided by authors in the International Conference Series on Grey Literature. This re-source is maintained by TextRelease, the Program and Conference Bureau. Records in this guide appear by country and further in alphabetical order by last name of author.

### Tear Sheet 4. **Collections of Conference based Papers**

GreyNet has signed on to the OpenSIGLE Repository and in so doing seeks to preserve and make openly accessible research results originating in the International Conference Series on Grey Literature. GreyNet together with INIST-CNRS have designed the format for a metadata record, which encompasses standardized PDF attachments of the full-text conference preprints, PowerPoint presentations, abstracts and biographical notes. The past six consecutive years (2003-2008) of conference papers are now available in the OpenSIGLE Repository. Recently, GreyNet (data provider) and INIST (service provider) have begun the retrospective input of earlier conference based research (1993-2000) into OpenSIGLE

### Tear Sheet 5. **Thematic Index to The Grey Journal, TGJ**

The Grey Journal (TGJ) is a flagship journal for the grey literature community. It crosses continents, disciplines, and sectors both public and private. The Grey Journal not only deals with the topic of grey literature but also is itself a document type that is classified as grey literature. It is akin to other grey serial publications, such as conference proceedings, reports, working papers, etc. The Grey Journal is geared to Colleges and Schools of Library and Information Studies, as well as, information professionals, who produce, publish, process, manage, disseminate, and use grey literature e.g. researchers, editors, librarians, documentalists, archivists, journalists, intermediaries, etc.

### Tear Sheet 6. **Bibliographic Archive on Grey Literature**

GreyText is a bibliographic archive of documents on grey literature. Some 150 documents are indexed by first author followed by the title, source, date of publication and length in printed pages. Free Access to the first page of each document is available for browsing. Also, in most cases the corresponding PowerPoint is online available. The full-text of all documents listed in GreyText are accessible in PDF via email or the OpenSIGLE Repository.

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National Technical Library (hereafter referred to as "NTL") is central professional library open to public, which offers unique collection of 250 thousand publications freely accessible in open circulation. Its holdings form the largest collection of Czech and foreign documents from technology and applied natural sciences as well as associated social sciences. It contains total of 1,2 Mil. volumes of books, journals and newspapers, theses, reports, standards, and trade literature in both printed and electronic forms. Besides its own collection, parts of Central Library of CTU in Prague and Central Library of ICT holdings are accessible in NTL.

**Held in the National Technical Library in Prague, Czech Republic, on December 6 – 7, 2010.**

As corresponds to its statutes the NTL runs – among others – the project of building the **National Repository of Grey Literature**. The project aims at gathering metadata and possibly full texts of grey documents in the field of education, science and research. The NTL supports an education in the field of grey literature through annual seminars in the Czech Republic.

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## About GreyNet Newsletter

This serial publication endeavors to keep information professionals abreast of developments in the field of grey literature. The bimonthly newsletter gives exposure to GreyNet's information resources and frontline activities with special emphasis on the International Conference Series on Grey Literature. GreyNet's Newsletter replaces the monthly GL Conference Memoranda (2003-2008) and is made possible through the support of GreyNet's Associate Members and Corporate Authors: The British Library (United Kingdom), INIST-CNRS (France), New York Academy of Medicine (United States), and the National Technical Library (Czech Republic).

**Grey Literature** "information produced and distributed on all levels of government, academics, business and industry in electronic and print formats not controlled by commercial publishing *i.e.* where publishing is not the primary activity of the producing body." (Luxembourg, 1997 expanded in New York, 2004)