

Winners of the 2006 ASIST SIG III International Paper Contest

The American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIST) Special Interest Group on International Information Issues (SIG III) is pleased to announce the following winners of its **seventh** International Paper Contest:

Rank	Name	Email	Country	Paper Title
1	Liauw Toong Tjiek (Aditya Nugraha)	anugraha@peter.petra.ac.id	Indonesia	Desa Informasi - The Role of Digital Libraries in the Preservation and Dissemination of Indigenous Knowledge
2	a. Chengyu Zhang b. Li Li	a. zhangchy@mail.lib.tsinghua.edu.cn b. lilicbs@mail.tsinghua.edu.cn	China	Digital Teaching Reference Book Service: A Case Study on Knowledge-Object-Based Microstructure of Digital Resources
3	a. Bharati Sen b. Nahid Khashmelmous	a. sens3412@gmail.com b. nahidelmous@gmail.com	a. India b. Sudan	Incorporating Indigenous Knowledge Materials: Preliminary Efforts at Elhafeed Library, Ahfad University, Sudan
4	a. Pradip Upadhyay b. Madaswamy Moni	a. pkumar@nic.in b. moni@nic.in	India	e-Granthalaya: Moving Towards Rural Digital Library for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods
5	a. Yashwant Kanade b. K.S Chudamani	a. kanade@ces.iisc.ernet.in b. ksc@library.iisc.ernet.in	India	A Discourse on Promotion of Reading Habits in India
6	a. P. K. Jain b. Parveen Babbar	a. pkjain@iegindia.org b. parveenbabbar@yahoo.com	India	Digital Library Initiatives in India

The theme of this year's contest was "**Information Realities: Shaping the digital future for all?**" The six winning papers were selected from 31 submissions by 42 authors from 12 developing countries.

The principal authors of each of the six winning papers will be awarded a two-year individual membership to ASIST. In addition, the first place winner, **Aditya Nugraha** will be awarded a minimum of \$1,000 to attend the November 3-8, 2006 ASIST Annual Meeting, in Austin, Texas.

The second authors of the second and third ranked papers receive a copy of Berkshire Encyclopedia of Human-Computer Interaction (www.berkshirehci.com) generously donated by Berkshire Publishing Group.

These winning papers and other submitted papers for the competition will be considered for publication by Elsevier's International Information and Library Review, which is edited by Toni Carbo.

Thanks to the generous donations from Eugene Garfield Foundation, Elsevier, the Chicago Chapter of ASIST, University of Western Ontario, Drexel University, Kent State University, LACASIS, International Information Association, and many other organizations and

individuals. Your efforts have enabled us to continue with this International Contest. Further fundraising effort is underway and we welcome donations to support the contest.

Congratulations to the winners!

The Contest Committee worked really hard in selecting the winning papers. The paper contest was organized by Duncan Omole (Chair) and Jonathan Levitt (co-Chair) from the Open University and University College London.

The judges were:

Duncan Omole, The World Bank Group, Washington DC.

Miriam Vieira da Cunha, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis, Brazil.

Yunfei Du, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan.

Yin Zhang, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, USA.

Nadia Caidi, University of Toronto, Canada.

Sue Johnson, Consultant, National Library of Medicine, Washington, DC.

Liwen Vaughan, University of Western Ontario, Canada.

Nathalie Leroy, United Nations, New York City, New York.

Merlyna Lim, Annenberg Center for Communication, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

J.K.Vijayakumar, American University of Antigua, Antigua & Barbuda, West Indies.

We thank the jury members for their selfless effort and our donors for their compassion which makes it possible to develop and sustain this international network of digital scholars and experts on digital libraries and information technology in developing countries.

More information about the paper competition is available from the SIG III website (<http://www.asis.org/SIG/SIGIII/>) under **Paper Contest**.