PUBLISHING IN THE HANDS OF
LIBRARIANS

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Libraries are constantly changing, evolving, leveling up, reshaping, transforming, metamorphosing, reorienting, tweaking, altering, transitioning, modifying, revising, refining, fluctuating, upgrading, improving, and so on.

Because of money and technology.

THE MISSION REMAINS THE SAME AS IT ALWAYS HAS BEEN.
SHARE. RESOURCES. FREELY.
Library publishing is a change in activity, but not a difference in mission.
Why should we focus on international publishing projects?
Shouldn't an IR be for the university exclusively?

THREE REASONS FOR INTERNATIONALIZING OUR PUBLISHING

#1 – KSU’s mission for internationalization

#2 – my own affiliations with international groups
#3 – my own personal Socialist ideology, research and bias

**RESULTS**

**ACIST**

AFRICAN CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY

The 2019 (5th) proceedings of ACIST focuses on how African societies are leveraging and can leverage the smart capabilities in digital technologies to address organizational and societal challenges. Technology-enabled solutions offer solutions to many of these challenges. Digital technologies are increasingly becoming integral to and interdependent with the African society.

Continuous innovations in information and communications technologies (ICTs) across the world are increasing the pace of the creation and dissemination of digital information in Africa. Alongside this is the increasing adoption of smart ICTs that are capable of adaptations to the environment and modifications of behaviours and entire societies. Smartness also includes capabilities for sensing and learning from the environment to complement human efforts.

Against this backdrop, ACIST 2019 seeks to discuss the role of information systems and technology (IST) research and education in the relationship between digital technologies and a smart Africa. We invite you to participate in ACIST 2019 through this call for completed papers, research-in-progress papers or posters, position papers, panel discussion topics, and exhibition posters.

As we prepare for the conference in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, it is hoped that IST researchers in Africa and elsewhere will think creatively, broadly, and provocatively about Digital Technologies for A Smart Africa from many different theoretical, philosophical, policy and practical perspectives.

Paper submissions will be subjected to double blind reviews by at least two Programme Committee members. Accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings with ISSN 2467-9888; and will be considered for further review and publication in the African Journal of Information Systems (AJIS) with ISSN 1938-0282.

Going to Ethiopia in August!
Our newest international journal – Young African Leaders Journal of Development.

**OUR FUTURE**

- Develop OER publishing program (start small, gain traction)
- Bring more manuscripts on board (orphaned works to start)
- Provide more editorial support (copyediting, layout, design, plagiarism check, etc.)

Being open access matters. Can you tell when we lifted the paywall on this journal?
• Stronger marketing of materials

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

• Email me anytime: amurph18@kennesaw.edu or check out our LibGuide

• PubPub, bepress, Scholastica

• Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association, SPARC, Library Publishing Coalition
• "Liberation through Cooperation: How Library Publishing Can Save Scholarly Journals from Neoliberalism" by Dave S. Ghamandi

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