Portage Data Discovery - Metadata Working Group
Terms of Reference

Goal:

To ensure that Canadian research data is appropriately described, to facilitate research replication and reuse, in the Federated Research Data Repository (FRDR) and other search tools.

Specific Responsibilities:

1. Work with interested Canadian repositories to develop a core set list of metadata standards in use for data in Canada;
2. Establish a set list of elements for discovery in the FRDR;
3. Develop a flexible mechanism for mapping varying standards to FRDR to support granular dataset level discovery;
4. Explore options for ingesting, enhancing, and exposing FRDR metadata as linked data;
5. Develop a framework for linking and associating research data metadata submitted to FRDR to related resources on the web (e.g. CrossRef, SHARE, DataCite, etc.);

Expert Group Members:

- Amber Leahey, OCUL/Scholars Portal (Chair)
- John Brosz, University of Calgary
- Vincent Gray, Western University
- Kara Handren, Scholars Portal
- Amanda Harrigan, University of Alberta
- Joseph Hafner, McGill University
- Christian Lacroix, Université Laval
- Julienne Pascoe, Canadiana.org
- Catelynne Sahadath, University of Ottawa
- Dany Savard, York University
- Barbara Towell, University of British Columbia
- Lee Wilson, ACENET/Compute Canada
- Mark Leggot, Director RDC (expert advisor)
- Eugene Barsky, University of British Columbia (ex officio)

Term:

The members will serve for 6 months, starting with November 2016, and report back to the Portage Data Discovery Expert Group.

Frequency of Meetings:

Bi-weekly

Chair:

Amber Leahey, OCUL/Scholars Portal

Record of Meetings:

Agenda and minutes to be documented in Google Docs or other document management services that support sharing and collaboration.

Method of operation:

- All members are encouraged to identify issues and to propose them as agenda items (with the necessary background/support documentation) for review and discussion.
- Members are to express opinions openly and respectfully.
- Members are encouraged to identify any potential threats so that risks can be mitigated.