



## The Network Rebalances the Library: Patterns and Questions

DALNET Educational Forum and Annual Membership Meeting

“This presentation will look at a series of patterns and questions that are emerging as library organizations and services continue to be rebalanced by the impact of the network. The focus will be less on technology per se, and more on how broader network and digital shifts are affecting research, learning and engagement, and how those changes in turn make libraries think differently about how they organize, where they make investments, and what services are important. The presentation will look at such things as changing patterns of user engagement, collections focus, system provision, and skills. It will conclude by suggesting three broad patterns: a shift to engagement by better understanding and getting into workflows; rightscaling infrastructure as collections and systems are sourced collaboratively and/or in the cloud; and how innovation and learning happens through institutional change.”

### **Lorcan Dempsey**



Keynote speaker, Lorcan Dempsey, oversees OCLC Research and participates in strategic planning at OCLC. He is a librarian who began his career in public libraries in his native Dublin, Ireland. He joined OCLC in 2001 as Vice President, Research and was named Chief Strategist in 2004. Before moving to OCLC, Lorcan headed up national information services in the UK with JISC. Before that, he directed UKOLN, a national U.K. research and policy unit at the University of Bath.

He is currently a member of the Cambridge University Library Visiting Committee and a member of the Advisory Board for the Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI). In 2010 he received the National Federation of Advanced Information Services' (NFAIS) highest award, The Miles Conrad Award.

### **Morning Session – Bernath Auditorium**

9:30 to 10:00	Arrival and Refreshments
10:00 to 10:15	Welcome & Opening Remarks
10:15 to 11:45	“The Network Rebalances the Library”
11:45 to 12:00	Break

### **Lunch – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Community Room**

12:00 to 1:00	Luncheon
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