

CENL/FEP Committee on Electronic Publications

Working Programme 2006 – 2007

The Committee has a mandate from its parent organisations, the Foundation CENL and the Federation of European Publishers, to act as a transnational steering group to monitor deposit practices and legislation, give advice on deposit practices (at the request of CENL and FEP members), function as a platform for discussion and as an exchange of information on matters of common interest and produce clarifications, definitions, agreements on issues of mutual interest to national libraries and publishers.

In 2006 – 2007 the Committee will carry out the following actions.

Monitor deposit practices and legislation

Action:

To make an overview of deposit practices in Europe on the basis of desk research and an additional survey with the aim of identifying countries that may need advice.

Give advice on deposit practices (at the request of CENL and FEP members)

Action:

To promote the use of Statement on the Development and Establishment of Voluntary Deposit Schemes for Electronic Publications by having the statement translated in other languages.

To organise Committee meetings in various countries in Europe and invite representatives of publishers and the national library in each country as observers with the aim of awareness raising, information exchange and actual advice.

Function as a platform for discussion and as an exchange of information on matters of common interest

Actions:

To discuss the development of a European Digital Library on the basis of the existing national library collaboration and network service (TEL – The European Library).

To discuss other national and international developments of common interest.

Produce clarifications, definitions, agreements on issues of mutual interest to national libraries and publishers.

Action:

To consider issues related to orphan works and input to European discussion (High Level Expert Group on Digital Libraries) to give security to both the rights holders and the digitising institutions.

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