

SIG-CMR NEWSLETTER

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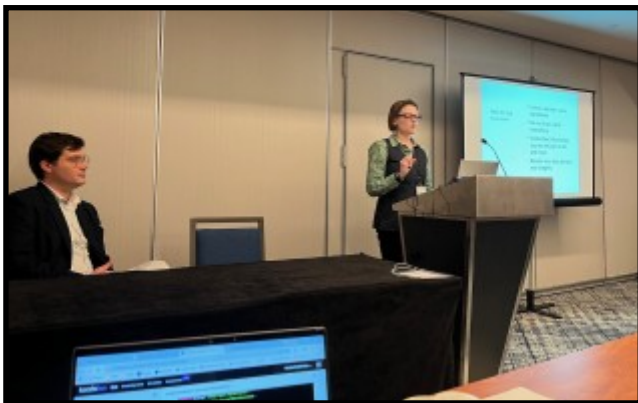
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Welcome to our final newsletter of 2025!

Hello SIG-CMR members

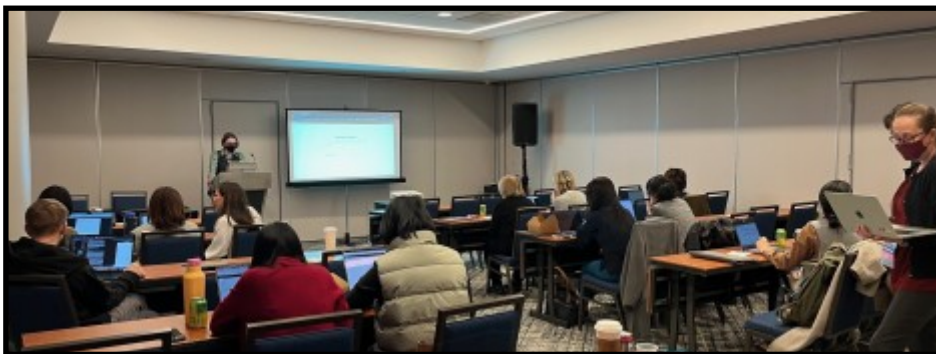
For those of you who attended the ASIS&T conference in Crystal City, VA, this year I hope you had a successful and enjoyable experience. The SIG-CMR panel and pre-conference workshop were well-received—reports to follow!

SIG-CMR hosts Pre-Conference Workshop at ASIS&T 2025



As part of this year's ASIS&T conference, SIG CMR presented the workshop, "Knowledge Organization Meets Artificial Intelligence in Theory and Practice." This workshop fit well with the theme of this year's conference, and included discussions of conceptual, ethical, and practical aspects of utilizing AI in knowledge organization work.

Over 25 attendees took part in the full day workshop, which also included a hands-on component featuring training and practice in prompt engineering for AI tools. We're so pleased with how the workshop turned out, and all of us are looking forward to continuing the valuable discussions we started there concerning the pitfalls and potentials of combining AI and knowledge organization.



We'd like to acknowledge the many SIG members whose advice and efforts made this workshop possible:

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Like to be involved in our workshop for the 2026 ASIS&T conference in Bangkok? Keep on reading to find out more!

ASIS&T 2025 Conference Panel Sponsored by SIG-CMR



The conversation on AI and knowledge organization work continued in a conference panel sponsored by SIG CMR. “Reimagining Knowledge Organization with AI and Human-in-the-loop” brought together **Jessica Yi-Yun Cheng (Rutgers)**, **Charlene Chou (NYU Libraries)**, **Brian Dobreski (University of Tennessee, Knoxville)**, and **Lingzi Hong (University of North Texas)** for a wide-ranging discussion on implications of AI for researching, teaching, and practicing knowledge organization.

The panel was well-attended and fostered great conversations about the balance and tension between human work and automated work in this area.

SLA Taxonomy Community Merges with ASIS&T SIG CMR!

We are excited to announce that the Special Libraries Association (SLA) Taxonomy Community has officially merged its activities and membership into SIG CMR! This is part of the larger merger between SLA and ASIS&T. Through meeting and discussion, leadership from both SLA Taxonomy Community and SIG CMR decided the two groups would fit well together. We’re so excited to welcome SLA members into our SIG, and look forward to the valuable perspectives and experience they bring with them.

Moving forward, SIG CMR has begun the process of adjusting our name and scope statement to better reflect the combined interests of both groups. Stay tuned for further information as this work progresses and sign up for the Working Group if you would like to be involved.

Working Groups for 2026— we need your input!

At the SIG-CMR Business meeting, three working groups were proposed moving forward.

Webinar Series: Ana Lúcia Terra, anaterra@fl.uc.pt

Naming and Identity of SIG CMR: Brian Dobreski, bdobresk@utk.edu

Workshop planning for ASIS&T 2026 Annual Meeting: Paulo Vicente, pvicente@student.uc.pt

If you would like join any of these please email the respective workshop coordinator.

SIG-CMR Business Meeting Roles and Minutes

A big vote of thanks to Brian Dobreski for all his hard work this year as SIG-CMR Chair and welcome to incoming Chair Paulo Vicente. Our Chair-Elect is Ana Lúcia Terra, Web Manager is Laura Ridenour and Communications Officer is Alison Day. The meeting minutes can be found [here](#) and on iConnect.



ASIS&T Information Science Summit and Special Libraries Conference: Proposed Panel

SIG-CMR plans to submit a panel proposal for this conference to be held in Albuquerque, NM, 6-9 June 2026. More information about the conference can be found [here](#). If you would like to participate in the panel proposal (due 17 December) contact Marisa Hughes at MHughes@apa.org

Upcoming Course: Linked Data and AI Part 2: From Linked Data to Knowledge Graphs



This course details practical approaches for evolving linked data into knowledge graph systems, with specific attention to how generative AI can be strategically adapted within these infrastructures.

Date: December 11, 2025

Time: 11am ET/ 4 pm UTC - 2 hours

Cost : \$25 for ASIS&T and DCMI members, \$75 non- members

For further information and to register the link is [here](#).

Newsletter #1 2026 - Contributions

I will be looking for contributions for our next newsletter to come out in March. If you have recently published a paper, book chapter, etc., or know of events, conferences, workshops, webinars or anything else that would be of interest to our members, please let me know so I can include it. I will send out a request nearer the time. My email is alison.day@vuw.ac.nz
