



Chartered Institute of
Library and Information
Professionals



CILIP and SCONUL Joint Declaration

CILIP and SCONUL will work closely together in areas of mutual interest, including:

- to support LIS practitioners involved in the delivery of library and learning support to HE programmes
- to speak with a strong, united voice about government policy relating to education, research, librarianship and information related matters
- to build on past good work and disseminate good practice
- to maximise effectiveness and minimise duplication of effort
- to promote leadership and succession planning

CILIP and SCONUL will concentrate joint policy development on areas of mutual interest, including:

- scholarly communication and support for research
- learner support and information literacy
- access and diversity

CILIP and SCONUL will work together in the following ways:

- establishing clear procedures to enable a rapid response on specific issues where necessary
- including each other in committees as appropriate
- joining up conference planning and participating in each others' conferences and events
- developing training programmes for shared target audiences
- establishing joint task groups as required
- facilitating access to each other's mechanisms for influencing government policy as appropriate
- providing joint support for, and engagement with, other sectors as appropriate

CILIP and SCONUL will encourage active involvement of library and information staff by:

- promoting continuing professional development for all staff
- encouraging staff to seek professional qualifications
- promoting national and regional events organised by either body or its subgroups
- sharing relevant research findings and good practice for the benefit of the wider library community
- disseminating information on key strategic issues through effective use of SCONUL & CILIP publications, websites, etc.

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