Wikimania's Academic Links

Wikimania 2006

Hosted by the Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, US.

Space and staff offered for free by both the Law School and MIT's Media Lab.

Talks of academic interest at the conference included:

- Abawi, Daniel: *Using wiki systems as information back-ends for e-learning applications*
- Alevizou, Panagiota: Encyclopedia, cosmopedia and wikipedia: collective intelligence for knowledge technospaces
- Benjamin, Martin: *Huru na Bure: Swahili collaboration and the future of African languages on the web*
- Benkler, Yochai: *The Wealth of Networks: How Social Production Transforms Markets and Freedom*
- Donath, Judith: *Identity, anonymity and the wiki*
- Eisen, Michael: *Free Knowledge and Access to Information*
- Ghosh, Rishab Aiyer: *200 years of collaborative ownership: from open source steam engines to free genetics, Linux and Wikipedia*
- Halavis, Alexander: *Sins of omission? An exploratory evaluation of Wikipedia's topical coverage*
- Hill, Benjamin Mako: *Toward a definition of freedom*
- Kahle, Brewster: *Universal Access to All Knowledge*
- Lessig, Lawrence: *The Ethics of the Free Culture Movement*
- Moglen, Eben: *Document Licenses and the Future of Free Culture*
- Preece, Jenny: *Community, Social Interaction and Wikipedia*
- Reagle, Joseph: *Is the Wikipedia Neutral?*
- Wales, Jimmy: *Wikimedia and free culture: past, present and future*
- Weinberger, David: *What's happening to knowledge?*

See http://wikimania2006.wikimedia.org/wiki/Proceedings:Index for abstracts and bios.

Wikimania 2007

Taipei, Taiwan. Co-organised with the Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica.

Venue and accommodation costs covered by sponsorship from (amongst others) the National Science Council, the Government Information Office (RoC), the Ministry of Education, Association of Digital Culture of Taiwan.

Talks of academic interest at the conference included:

- Anthony, Seth: *Where Have All The Writers Gone: The Diversion, Distraction and Departure of Wiki "Content Creators"*
- Hagemann, Melissa: *Open Access movement*
- Hsu, Su-chu: *Authorship and Liquidity in Wikiart*

- Komen, Joris: *Are FLOSS, Open Content and Open Access solutions practicable and scaleable in remote, underserved African schools?*
- Lawler, Cormac: *Learning and learning about learning in Wikiversity*
- Lo, Ka Kan: *Another role of Wikipedians: Guiding machines to do intelligent tasks*
- McKean, Erin: *What Does Reference Look Like? (And Why Looks Don't Matter Much)*
- Pan, Haidong: *Democracy and business model: wikipedia and wiki ecosystem in China*
- Schindler, Mathias: *The economics of writing and publishing an encyclopedia*
- Senabre Hidaglo, Enric: *Meritocracy, vandalism and similarities with Open Source development*
- Suandi, Ida: *Wikipedia: A Powerful Tool of Knowledge or an Internet Phenomena? A Survey Study of Singapore Language Teachers' Perspectives on the Use of Wikipedia in Teaching.*
- Weiler, Raoul: *Compilation of Ethnographic Objects from Museums Reserves*

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Wikimania 2008

Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria, Egypt.

Venue provided for free thanks to the Bibliotheca Alexandrina (the Library of Alexandria).

Talks of academic interest at the conference included:

- Araujo, Mariano: *Digital sovereignty: a wikimedian approach*
- Hagemann, Melissa: *Open Scholarship: Synergies between Open Access and Open Education*
- Hidalgo, Enric Senabre: *Use of wikis for political participation*
- Johnson, Eric: *Diplopedia: Wiki Culture in the U.S. Department of State*
- Lawler, Cormac: *Collaborative research in Wikiversity*
- Leinonen, Teemu: *Open educational resources and globalization*
- Metni, Eliane: *The Global Educators' Open Course: How do we educate the teachers of the 21st Century*
- Nielsen, Finn Årup: *Clustering of scientific citations in Wikipedia*
- Pal, Murugan: *Federating Wikipedia as Open Educational Resource*
- Shearer, Rhonda: *Keeping the Media accountable*
- Tantawy, Ahmed: *Open culture and the Internet in the Middle East*
- Wales, Jimmy: *Freedom of speech, human rights, and free culture*

See http://wm08reg.wikimedia.org/schedule/events.en.html for abstracts and bios.

Wikimania 2009

Buenos Aires, Argentina.

In talks for sponsorship from the Universia network of universities amongst others. Their venue is being provided for free thanks to the City government.

The program is not yet fixed.