Leadership Roles for [Research] Libraries in the Fourth Industrial Revolution

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A membership organization of 124 libraries and archives in major public and private universities, federal government agencies, and large public institutions in Canada and the US.

We advocate on research libraries’ behalf, convene our research and higher education partners, share intelligence on current issues, and develop the next generation of diverse library leaders.
• How will librarians break through the challenges posed by rapid technological change and meet new demands?

• What can librarians do to advance the creation, dissemination, and preservation of knowledge in the AI age?

• How will/should librarians prepare for coming technological and economic changes?

• What strategies for understanding and implementing technological change should be discussed? And,

• How can librarians use new technologies to show greater return on investment within their institutions?
Some Background Context

Competition and investments in
- New technologies
- Dramatic predictions of new workforce skills
A Call for Library Leadership
Breakthrough

Our Focal Point

Research Libraries and Parent Organizations

Public Policy Makers

Research and Learning Communities
ARL Initiatives

- Partnership with CNI and EDUCAUSE
- 2019 Research Library Issues
- ARL Academy programs
- IARLA and cOAlition/Plan S
- Partnership with AAU and APLU
- Work on privacy, rights retention, data management
- Copyright Round Table
- TOME and AUP
- Collaboration with scholarly societies on pathways to open
- Sustainable digital platforms

All information is available on www.arl.org
Opportunities Abound

• Institutionally, in the profession, in research and learning communities, in public policy
Thank you

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