Call for papers for Special Issue of *Annals of Library and Information Studies* on

*Library Discovery Systems*

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**Introduction to theme:**

The socio-technical environment within which libraries of developing countries operate is changing more rapidly than libraries are changing to meet it. The tools and technologies that facilitate the discovery of diversified resources and access to the globally distributed resources for a wide range of users are of utmost important for libraries of any type or size. These tools are gaining maturity and popularity rapidly across the world and discussed under the generic term resource discovery systems. This special issue of *Annals of Library and Information Studies* aims to deliberate issues pertaining to technologies, methodologies, products, metadata models, linking environments and user interfaces in the context of library based resource discovery systems.

**Facets:**

Original contributions are invited from researchers and practitioners including but not limited to the following facets -

1. General aspects of resource discovery systems - what, why, how, tools, selection of tools, comparison of tools etc);
2. Architecture and standards related to resource discovery systems including library discovery as integrated search interface;
3. Study/feature analysis of available tools (both open source and close source including associated standards) and Discovery service providers;
4. Applications of open source solutions (VuFind and others) and open standards in the domain including applications of open source text retrieval engines;
5. Library discovery interfaces – ILS interface, Repository and Archival interface, Indexing interface (Apache Solr, Elastic search), End user interface (including analytics, usage statistics, altmetrics etc)
6. Resource discovery systems for non-bibliographic domains (cultural and heritage objects, museum objects etc)
Use of library discovery systems to organize and integrate open access resources, open datasets and linked open data (including projects, initiatives and services)

Recommended practices, case studies and trends and future of library discovery systems.

Type of papers

Research and review papers

Submission details

• All papers must be submitted online through http://op.niscair.res.in/

• Please indicate “Submitting for special issue”

• Follow the ALIS guidelines for manuscript preparation and submission

Please note: Submitted papers should be original and not in consideration elsewhere for publication

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