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## Upholding Fundamentals While Innovating, Forging Ahead with Courage and Determination: Promoting Innovative Development of Informa- tion Resource Management — 2024 Editorial Postprint for *Library and Information Service* and *Knowledge Management Forum*

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### Abstract

The winter solstice brings the birth of yang, and the year cycles with the rhythm of the seasons. The Year of the Rabbit (Guimao) is drawing to a close, and the Year of the Dragon (Jiachen) is approaching. On this occasion, the Editorial Office of *Library and Information Service* (including its two journals, *Library and Information Service* and *Knowledge Management Forum*) extends New Year and Spring Festival greetings and expresses its sincerest regards to our editorial board members, reviewers, authors, readers, and colleagues across the nation in the field of information resources management!

2023 marks the inaugural year for fully implementing the spirit of the 20th Party Congress and a crucial year for embarking on the comprehensive construction of a modern socialist country. General Secretary Xi Jinping has emphasized that “education, science and technology, and talent” constitute the foundational and strategic pillars for comprehensively building a modern socialist country. The Party and government have demonstrated unprecedented commitment to the high-quality development of science, technology, education, and cultural undertakings. Faced with this historic development environment, the information resources management profession confronts both new opportunities and challenges, urgently requiring the reconstruction and transformation of its disciplinary system, with academic journals inevitably bearing significant responsibilities and missions.

Over the past year, our two journals have continued their efforts to fulfill the responsibilities and missions of major academic publications. Throughout the

year, we published 324 articles (with 3,577 submissions, representing an acceptance rate of approximately 9%) and 44 articles (with 290 submissions, representing an acceptance rate of approximately 15%) respectively, establishing ourselves as indispensable academic journals in the field of information resources management. The two journals jointly organized four academic conferences (seminars) in Dalian, Wuhan, Chongqing, and Shenzhen, covering topics such as “Knowledge Management and Knowledge Services,” “Metaverse Libraries,” “Information Resources Management Paper Writing,” and “Information Resources Management and Service Innovation in the Digital Intelligence Era,” thereby maintaining connections and interactions between the journals and academia-industry and building a bridge for academic exchange among authors, readers, editors, and scholars. The two journals have assembled a new and substantial editorial board comprising 219 experts (including the 13th Editorial Board of *Library and Information Service*, the 3rd Youth Editorial Board of *Library and Information Service*, and the 3rd Editorial Board of *Knowledge Management Forum*), further optimizing and strengthening the editorial power of both journals. We issued the “Policy Statement of *Library and Information Service* Editorial Office on AI-Generated Paper Content,” which has been adopted by multiple journals, further standardizing and guiding academic research and paper writing. Additionally, we have further developed synergistic collaboration with the preprint platform ChinaXiv, actively integrating into the new academic communication system.

In 2023, *Library and Information Service* continued to be indexed in the Chinese Social Sciences Citation Index (CSSCI, Nanjing University Core) and the *Overview of Chinese Core Journals* (Peking University Core), was rated as an “Authoritative Journal in the AMI Comprehensive Evaluation of Chinese Humanities and Social Sciences” by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Evaluation Studies, and was recognized as one of the “Most Internationally Influential Chinese Academic Journals” by CNKI. These recognitions serve as both spurs for journal development and motivation for running the journals effectively.

In the new year, our two journals will continue to uphold the philosophy of promoting academic innovation and facilitating professional development, working together with academia and industry to build China’s major academic journal for the first-level discipline of information resources management. With the strong support of our editorial board members, we have released the new edition of the *Key Topics Guide* for both journals; established three thematic columns for the first time—“Director (Institute Director) Forum,” “Dean (Department Head) Forum,” and “Information Resources Management Case Studies”—and widely solicited contributions from academia and industry to better meet the needs of innovation and development in these sectors. We will continue our collaboration with ChinaXiv to construct a “one-click association” submission and review function for our partnership; continue to host multiple academic activities in various cities (Zibo, Zhengzhou, Jinan, Haikou) and support all important academic conferences in our capacity as media; and further enhance the quality of our academic journals while strengthening the dissemination power

and influence of our journal platform.

For journals, academic publishing is not merely about publishing authors' articles, but rather about better promoting academic exchange and academic heritage; it is not about pursuing impact factor (IF) and evaluation rankings, but about fostering innovation and development in both academia and practice. For authors, publishing papers should not be merely for graduation or degree attainment, or for professional title evaluation, promotion, or awards, but should reflect the achievements and value of academic research and demonstrate contributions to and responsibilities for academia and society. For every individual and every research endeavor, academic perspectives may differ and innovation paths may vary, but the relentless pursuit of academic innovation by journals, authors, and readers remains consistent. The information resources management profession, whether in theory or practice, requires the joint efforts of every individual and every institution. What may change temporarily are technology and the environment; what will never change is our love for the discipline and the profession!

The road may be long, but walking will get us there; the task may be difficult, but doing will make it achievable; perseverance in action leads to distant goals; daily progress ensures no effort is wasted. We look forward to our discipline and our profession thriving and better meeting the nation's strategic needs during the 14th Five-Year Plan period and in the future. Academic journals, academia, and industry need even more transformation, transition, and innovation, seizing the day and recognizing that time waits for no one! January 1, 2024

## Full Text

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Publisher of *Library and Information Service* Magazine,  
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