

A post-print edition that combines inheritance with transformation and integrates development with innovation.

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Abstract

Looking back on 2025, we have adhered to our founding mission and enhanced our journal-running capacity. We formulated the “Plan for Improving Journal Quality and Impact,” in which we analyzed the influencing factors and clarified the pathways for enhancing quality and impact. At the same time, we have preliminarily completed the drafting of the “15th Five-Year” strategic plan, the core of which is the research and application of artificial intelligence technologies, with a comprehensive review of and intervention in the processes of manuscript review, publication, and evaluation.

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Preamble

Integrating heritage with transformation, and development with innovation. Time flies and the year turns; as the Year of the Snake gradually fades, the Year of the Horse approaches. In the blink of an eye, 2025 has drawn to a close, and the new year of 2026 is gracefully unfolding before us.

Reflecting on 2025, we have steadfastly upheld our journal’s mission while enhancing our publication capabilities. We formulated the *Journal Quality and Influence Enhancement Plan*, analyzed key influencing factors, and clarified pathways for improving quality and impact. Simultaneously, we completed the initial compilation of our “15th Five-Year” strategic plan, which centers on researching and applying artificial intelligence technologies to comprehensively examine and intervene in the processes of paper review, publication, and evaluation.

Publishing outstanding academic papers, disseminating high-quality research findings, promoting disciplinary development, and fostering practical innova-

tion constitute the essential tasks of our journal. In 2025, the editorial board of *Library and Information Service Work* identified 48 research topics aligned with national strategies and industry development needs, as well as research frontiers and hotspots, providing a reference guide for scholarly inquiry. Over 450 external reviewers made significant contributions to the rigorous selection of high-quality manuscripts. Throughout the year, we received 4,210 submissions and published 278 articles (a 6.8% acceptance rate), including 3 special-feature articles and 14 special issues. These studies focused on cutting-edge theoretical and practical domains such as paradigm transformations in intelligence work, intelligence agents, AI-enabled information resource management, user services in the digital-intelligence era, digital-intelligence transformation, open access policies, social media group behavior, and open science, making important contributions to the advancement of information resource management.

Enhancing the academic literacy and writing skills of our authors and readers while promoting academic exchange has been a mission that *Library and Information Service Work* has continuously undertaken in recent years.

In May 2025, we collaborated with Hebei University to successfully host the “Information Resource Management Research and Academic Writing Workshop” in Baoding, Hebei. In July, we partnered with Xinjiang University of Finance and Economics to hold the “AI-Enabled Knowledge Management and Knowledge Services Academic Symposium” in Urumqi. Additionally, as a media supporter, we actively participated in numerous important academic activities, supported over ten significant industry conferences, evaluated more than one thousand conference papers, and pre-accepted nearly one hundred articles. These initiatives not only demonstrated our journal’s vitality and influence within the academic community but also substantially promoted theoretical exchange and practical exploration in information resource management in the age of artificial intelligence.

We are delighted to announce that in July 2025, *Library and Information Service Work* was officially indexed in Scopus, the world’s largest peer-reviewed literature database launched by Elsevier. This represents a significant new breakthrough and milestone in the international recognition of our journal’s influence. Both the Chinese and international evaluation teams for Scopus acknowledged that our journal’s high citation rate meets the needs of professional audiences, making its inclusion in the Scopus database well-deserved. Concurrently, our journal was recognized by CNKI as a “2025 Chinese International Influential Excellent Academic Journal,” included in the FMS High-Quality Journal Recommendation List, incorporated into the think tank journal cluster and rated as a “Top 20 Source Journal for Think Tank Research Hot Papers,” and admitted as a member unit of the “Information Resource Management Discipline Independent Knowledge System Alliance.” Personally, I was also awarded the “Knowledge Torch Award” by the China MIKE Awards organizing committee for my role as Editor-in-Chief of *Knowledge Management Forum* and related contributions.

2026 Outlook

In 2026, *Library and Information Service Work* will celebrate its 70th anniversary—a major event for both academia and the profession. As the first academic journal in this field established after the founding of the People’ s Republic of China, it has become a leading journal for the “Information Resource Management” first-level discipline through the collective efforts of several generations. Seizing this opportunity, we will organize dedicated academic activities, conferences, and training programs on various themes to promote academic exchange and enhance research and writing capabilities. We will continue to follow our publication policy of “integrating heritage with transformation, and development with innovation,” supporting both practical innovation and development in the profession and facilitating transformative academic exchange in the scholarly community.

At this turn of the year, I extend sincere gratitude to all supervising and sponsoring units, authors, readers, reviewers, editorial team members, and board members who have cared for and supported *Library and Information Service Work* over the past year. Your generous support and trust constitute the greatest motivation for our continued progress. *Library and Information Service Work* is sponsored by the National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences, but its life and value belong to every scholar devoted to research, every practitioner courageous in innovation, every board member and reviewer who contributes silently, and all colleagues who care about disciplinary development.

The road may be long, yet walking will take us there; the task may be difficult, yet doing will accomplish it. Once again, heartfelt thanks to all, and best wishes for a progressive new year and success in all endeavors!

Editor-in-Chief, *Library and Information Service Work*

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