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The Ticer Summer School on Digital Libraries has always been known for its value for money. Unfortunately, we had to skip the 2011 edition. This year, Ticer is back and if you take a look at the program I am sure you will agree with me that it is a strong comeback.

In Lorcan Dempsey we have an internationally well-known expert on digital libraries as a course director. Our four day program shows names of well-known experts as well as highly relevant topics for today's research librarians. The a la carte system allows you to pick a module of special interest to you. Or to combine modules into a mini program or to attend all four modules to give you a unique and comprehensive overview of the challenges research libraries face now that the 21st century is in its adolescent years.

At a Ticer Summer School we do not expect you to just sit down and listen: we would like to talk with you instead of talk to you on issues concerning library strategy (from vision to execution), opportunities cloud computing offer libraries, the challenges of supporting research and new ways to connect students, staff and resources. You will be able to contribute and you will meet colleagues from all over the world with whom you can share ideas, discuss trends and explore opportunities for co-operation. The Ticer alumni program ensures that the contacts you have made can be prolonged long after the actual summer school has ended.

This year, in co-operation LIBER, Ticer organises a special track called the Library Directors' Course, lead by Mrs. Janet Wilkinson (course director) and Mr. Hans Geleijnse (program coordinator). The Library Directors' Course is aimed at library leaders from all sorts of libraries looking for an opportunity to reflect and discuss current thinking on library leadership and wanting to improve their leadership skills and abilities in order to be ready for the next five years. The Library Directors' Course is a high profile, high quality program that asks for active involvement of its participants and promises to deliver a lasting return on investment. It is highly recommended.

More information on both the Summer School and the Library Directors' Course can be found on the website www.tilburguniversity.edu/ticer

I am looking forward to meeting you at the Ticer Summer School.

Kind regards,

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