URLA Annual Meeting is held traditionally every year. This year it will be held on the 18th -20th September 2014, at the Istanbul University in Istanbul, Turkey. The main theme of the conference that will be organized by University and Research Librarians’ Association in Turkey and Istanbul University is “Management of Cultural Heritage and Cultural Memory Institutions”

Scope
Today, the information technologies are evolving rapidly both locally and globally, and having an significant impact in many areas. The Communities are in an intention to turn to a uniform life with the impact of the globalization. This situation causes destruction of the cultural heritage that leads to the social life from the past to the present time.

National and international research fields on preservation of cultural heritage are created according to awareness of societies about the risks for the loss of their own unique identities, and the recognition of harmonies and a dynamic structure that will be created via maintenance and preservation of cultural heritage for the communication of societies.

Technological capabilities for providing access and organization and preservation of cultural heritage require efficient management of every opportunity and every single process about innovative information services delivered by the cultural heritage institutions such as libraries, archives and museums. Efficient management of cultural heritage and cultural memory institutions is highly important in terms of maintenance of societies’ accumulations and its effective presentation in national and international environments.

Aim
This conference aims to promote dialogue between the academicians, practitioners, researchers and organizations who provide services in the field of Library and information science, arts and humanities and applied sciences, create a scientific and a social interaction environment for all disciplines and share the best practices and experiences about all topics. In this context, academicians, practitioners, researchers, service providers and all individuals can participate in the conference.

Theme
The main theme of the conference is "Management of Cultural Heritage and Cultural Memory Institutions" and sub-topics include following:

Cultural Heritage And Cultural Memory Institutions

- Conservation of Cultural Heritage
- Restoration of Cultural Heritage
- Access to Cultural Heritage
- Cultural Heritage and Cultural Policy
- Information Technology for Cultural Inventory Works
- Digitizing and Digitizing Policies
- Digitization of Cultural Materials in Libraries
- Copyright Issues in Cultural Heritage Management
- Best Practices in Cultural Memory Institutions
Cultural Heritage Management and Libraries / Archives / Museums
International Cooperation
Reflection of Cultural Heritage and Cultural Memory Institutions in Media

Manuscripts and Rare Books

- Manuscripts and Rare Books as Cultural Heritage Materials
- Promotion and Marketing
- Standards (storage, digitization, access, bibliographic control)
- Bibliographic Control (determination/fiving studies, catalogs, classification, authority files, AACR2, MARC, Metadata, RDA)
- Access Strategies
- Conservation and Restoration (active protection, passive protection, restoration techniques)
- Management of Manuscripts and Rare Books Libraries (staff, budget, building, user)
- Destruction of Cultural Memory: Censorship, Prohibitions and Restriction
- The Role of Manuscripts in Scientific and Cultural Interaction (books, libraries, orientalists)
- Comparative and International Studies
- New Trends and Examples

Archives

- Public Archives (Ottoman archives, public archives in Turkish Republic Period, etc.)
- Private Archives (family archives, business archives, etc.).
- Media Archives (newspaper archives, television archives, radio archives, documentary archives, Internet archives, archiving of social media, publishers, media and ethics)
- City and Folklore Archives
- Archival Services (arrangement, transfer, weeding/destruction, reference, access, preservation and privacy)
- International Importance of Archival Records
- Legislation and Standards
- Contemporary Archival Trends (e-archives, digitalization, projects and best practices, non-paper material)
- Education of Archival Science

Museums

- Museums Objects/Materials and Collections as Information Resources
- Information Management in Museums (description, classification, standardization, information retrieval systems, information services, users)
- Museum Librarianship
- Organisation, Preservation and Accessing of Cultural Heritage Materials in Museums,
- Digital Museums and the Virtual Museum Applications
- Archiving / Conservation / Exhibition Technologies
- Interdisciplinary Studies

Contributions
The accepted papers will be published in Procedia-Social and Behavioral Sciences are also indexed by Scopus and ScienceDirect and submitted to Thomson Reuters Conference Proceedings Citation Index-Science (ISI Web of Science). Please use the template that will be available on the Conference
web site to submit your papers, posters and workshop proposals for your contributions, and submit them by using the Conference Management Software. Full-text papers will be published in the conference book and will be included in the conference bag.

**Important Dates**
First call: December 23, 2013  
Second call: February 12, 2014  
Last call: April 16, 2014  
Submission for Full Text: June 11, 2014  
Authors notification: July 23, 2014  
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Submission of Camera-ready versions: August 20, 2014  
Final Conference Programme: September 3, 2014  
Conference: September 18-20, 2014

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