Task Group to Support Expansion of PCC Cataloging in Sinopia

Background:

The [Mellon-funded LD4P2 initiative](#) (2018-2020), a Cohort of 17 PCC member institutions received support to devote staff time to linked data activities, including: providing requirements for the development of the cloud-based cataloging tool Sinopia; cataloging in Sinopia; developing shared application profiles for Sinopia; and creating opportunities to collaborate on shared challenges, both in person at Cohort meetings and remotely through affinity and working groups.

Continuing the significant progress made by the LD4P2 Cohort and sharing the LD4P2 Cohort's expertise with the broader PCC membership are critical to supporting the PCC's Strategic Direction 3: Apply understanding of linked data.

This PCC Task Group is charged to:

1. Prepare a short report describing the experience of the PCC LD4P2 Cohort members both in participating in the cohort and in cataloging in Sinopia, to guide other PCC members who are considering cataloging on the Sinopia platform.

    ○ Contact primary people from the 17 Cohort and 3 LD4P2 partner libraries to request anonymous feedback, through use of a survey.
    ○ Aggregate information about lessons learned, including comments on areas where best practices, guidance (e.g., workflows, interpretation of cataloging rules in a linked data environment), or training is necessary for PoCo to assign to other task groups, as appropriate. *N.B., Some of these lessons learned and local practices have already been documented locally and some shared on the PCC TG1 listserv.*
    ○ The report will be delivered to PoCo and published on the PCC website for future potential PCC Sinopia participants as they decide what level of participation they wish to pursue, and for others interested in linked data cataloging (NOTE: this report is a separate, different report from the one being created by LD4P for Mellon).

2. Formulate a plan to expand PCC cataloging in the Sinopia cataloging tool. This plan should include **recommendations** for supporting PCC members (institutions or individuals) who wish to use Sinopia both for experimentation and exploring cataloging in a linked data environment. The task group should:

    ○ consider a mentorship program where LD4P2 Cohort members provide guidance to those new to Sinopia and linked data

- offer ideas for creating learning opportunities and communication channels for PCC members using Sinopia
- work with the PCC Standing Committee on Training's existing Sinopia Training Task Group to identify additional training that needs development, including training in additional formats such as video or self-paced exercises
- offer ways to gather and prioritize input of PCC Sinopia catalogers and communicate it to Sinopia developers for the LD4P3 timeline (2020-2022)
- explore the possibility of creating an LD4 PCC affinity group

Coordination with other groups:

This Task Group should coordinate with the PCC Standing Committee on Standards, PCC Standing Committee on Training's Sinopia Task Group, the Sinopia User Group, the PCC Linked Data Advisory Group, and the LD4P3 grant partners.

Task Group Deliverables:

- Report to PoCo of LD4P2 PCC Cohort members' experiences and lessons learned
- Plan to expand PCC cataloging in the Sinopia cataloging tool, including the possibility of recommending the creation of an LD4 PCC affinity group

Time Frame:

- Date charged: June 11, 2020
- Date preliminary report due: July 30, 2020
- Date final report due: October 1, 2020

Reports to:

- PCC Policy Committee

PCC Task Group Final Report Transmittal & Tracking Sheet

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