

A rewarding meeting between the Nordic e-publishing projects

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Often a lot of interesting activities are taking place also outside the conference programme. This was also the case during NCSC2004. During the conference a special meeting with participants from several national e-publishing projects in the Nordic countries took place. The meeting was initiated by the SVEP project [1], a Swedish national project aiming at coordinating and supporting e-publishing activities at universities and university colleges in Sweden.

The meeting started with presentations of the different activities that were represented in the group, FinElib [2] in Finland, DEF [3] in Denmark, SVEP in Sweden och Norsk Digitalt Bibliotek [4] in Norway. During the following discussions it became clear that the projects carried out related activities, promoting similar technical and organisational solutions between e.g. libraries and institutions. Activities are e.g. development of pilot services demonstrating the OAI-PMH model of data and service providers for e.g. scientific publications, undergraduate theses, work on recommendations for best practices for e.g. interoperability and long-term access. Activities within the broader scope of scholarly communication are within the Finnish, Danish and Norwegian project plans, whereas the Swedish SVEP project is more focused on the promoting the development of institutional archives, its standards and interoperability.

As a result of this meeting some valuable contacts were made, as well as plans for a full-day meeting during the fall 2004.

More info on the meeting can be found at http://www.lub.lu.se/svep/inbjudan/nordiskt_040426.html (in Swedish)

Ref:

[1] SVEP <http://www.svep-projekt.se>

[2] FinElib <http://www.lib.helsinki.fi/finelib/>

[3] **DEF**

[4] **Norsk Digitalt Bibliotek**