DDI Alliance Executive Board Meeting
16 December 2020

Present: Jared Lyle, Steve McEachern, Joachim Wackerow

DDI-CODATA Collaboration announcement

https://ddialliance.org/announcement/welcome-new-member-codata-committee-on-data-of-the-international-science-council. Discussed updating the title and first paragraph of the text.

Scientific Board election

Discussed inviting the members of the newly elected Scientific Board to an Executive Board meeting to determine how best to collaborate, as well as to define which working groups and committees report to which body.

Shared Information

The following notes were included in the agenda distributed to Executive Board members prior to the call.

- Scientific Board vote -- DDI members are voting from December 8-22 to elect seven members to the reorganized DDI Scientific Board. There are thirteen candidates. Terms will start January 1, 2021. More info: https://ddialliance.org/announcement/ddi-scientific-board-candidates-election.
- Public Release of Structured Data Transformation Language (SDTL) - Version 1.0 -- Announced on 10 December: https://ddialliance.org/announcement/public-release-of-structured-data-transformation-language-sdtl-version-10
- CODATA (Committee on Data of the International Science Council) -- The Letter of Collaboration has been signed by CODATA. Michigan is in the process of signing. CODATA is now a full member of the Alliance. See: https://ddialliance.org/announcement/welcome-new-member-codata-committee-on-data-of-the-international-science-council. From Simon Hodson, Executive Director, CODATA : "For our part, we have a Virtual General Assembly coming up on 15 December (11:00-13:00 UTC). Steve is the current DDI delegate to CODATA and can vote on behalf of DDI. Other non-voting attendees are welcome both as 'observers' and participants in the substantive agenda. We need to make a small but important constitutional change but the bulk of the agenda will be an update on various activities. Details, registration and the DRAFT agenda are here: https://codata.org/events/general-assembly/virtual-general-assembly-december-2020/"
- European DDI User Conference -- EDDI2020 was held virtually from Paris 1-2 December, and was hosted by Sciences Po, Center for Socio-Political Data (CDSP).

Nearly 250 registered for the three days. More info:
https://ddialliance.org/announcement/european-ddi-user-conference-2020-report

- ● Membership Retainment and Recruitment Working Group -- During the November meeting, we decided that Steve will organize a sub-group to review a tiered structure of membership. Interested volunteers were to contact Steve.