

Evaluation and Metrics SIG Report, EAHIL 2019 Workshop, Basel, Switzerland

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The Evaluation and Metrics SIG met on Tuesday, 18 June from 17:00 – 18:00 (5pm – 6pm). The meeting was convened under the co-chair leadership of Alicia F. Gomez and Valeria Scotti. Reports included the sharing of results from a recent survey that captured information on and librarian knowledge with metrics tools and usage. That information was also submitted and accepted for publication as an article by JEAHIL (published within this same issue), serving as an encouragement for all members to investigate more into this area for the good of the profession as well as individual curriculum vitas. Just as surprising and impressive as the viola playing of Christoph Wehrmuller at the EAHIL Welcome, SIG member excitement and gratitude was expressed when two SIG members (Louise Farragher and Tomas Allen) willingly volunteered their talents for the respective needs of website updating and webinar coordination for SIG updates and future online meetings.

It is anticipated that both of these roles will move the SIG in a more proactive and informative direction for members as well as any interested visitors from outside of the SIG membership. As the wickelfisch has the dual purpose of serving as a waterproof bag and helping keep people afloat, the website will have the dual purpose of sharing our SIG successes, while also providing a destination for evaluation and metric training tools. Webinars could be used for both future meetings as well as potential training sessions. Other conversation points brought up included consideration of a SIG twitter identity, a SIG specific hashtag, and a posted listing of potential future projects to work on (most with the intent of leading to publication). The meeting updates and resulting conversations flowed with excitement at the learning, sharing, acting, and bridging that occurred...almost on parallel with the Carnival performance at the EAHIL dinner!

The meeting was adjourned on time, and all were bid farewell and happy travels!

