

Session Title: Linking Research and Practice: the Synergies and their Relevance to Practice, Policy and Academia

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Scope & rationale: In an era of partnerships and collaboration, rapid advances in information technology, paradigm shifts in research, learning and teaching, the growing research output that is increasingly becoming open access and the demands from library users/patrons, there is need to build on the synergies to impact academic and research libraries' service delivery. Practicing librarians who conduct research or LIS academics and researchers who do research related to the practice of academic librarianship are invited to contribute papers to this session. The papers should share research findings about innovative practices and experiences – what works and what doesn't - to enable the participants to learn from the best practices or avoid what doesn't work. The application of the research findings to library service delivery, policy and in theories relevant to academics and growth of knowledge will enrich the session.

Presenters:

I need 4-5 presenters to join us in the session.