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Activities

2002 main activities have been in the field of NT library projects and services, Metadata specifications and integration, Meta-OPACs developments and information resources interoperability, Teaching digital library issues.

- Assistance to groups of special libraries (based in Milan) for the development of advanced information services, OPACs integration and setting up of a new cooperative catalogue now in operation.
- Review of functionality of a MetaOPAC application developed in Tuscany (sponsored and supported by Regione Toscana) using Z39.50 protocol and covering about 70 libraries with different library systems
- Preparation of metadata specifications as part of the newly revised Feasibility Study for the Ministerial Italian Digital Library Program: recommendations on metadata schemes and integration with bibliographic formats, measures to be taken at national level for metadata implementation
- Partnership with Dublin Core Metadata Initiative (Dublin, OCLC) for the organisation of the 2002 Dublin Core Conference (Florence, 13-17 October), Participation in the Programme Committee, Planning the establishment of an Italian Affiliate to DCMI.

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- Membership in the Programm Committee of the 2003 Dublin Core Conference: Supporting Communities of Discourse and Practice-Metadata Research and Development, Seattle, 28 September - 2 October (Paper revision etc.)
- Lectorship at the Università Cattolica, Milan, Master in Library Management. Subject: Digital Library management, metadata and format integration, interoperability issues.