

## Keynote Speakers Announced

We are delighted to be in a position to announce the keynote speakers for iPRES 2014.

**Shaun Hendy:** University of Auckland

**Herbert Van De Sompel:** Los Alamos National Laboratory

**Ross Wilkinson:** Australian National Data Service

iPRES2014 is looking to bring together both research and innovative practice strands to move forward the digital preservation agenda. The three keynote speakers represent a wide-range of expertise and will bring insights from their own work to trigger new perspectives and spark debate on where we are and where we should be as a community.

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**Shaun Hendy** is Professor of Physics and Director of Te Pūnaha Matatini - the Centre for Complex Systems and Networks -at the University of Auckland. Shaun has a PhD in physics from the University of Alberta in Canada and a BSc (Hons) in mathematical physics from Massey University. He has a wide range of research interests, including computational physics, nanoscience, complex systems and innovation, and has authored more than 90 peer reviewed journal articles on these and other topics. In 2010, Shaun was awarded the New Zealand Association of Scientists Research Medal and a Massey University Distinguished Young Alumni Award. In 2012 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand for his research on nanotechnology, and in 2013 he was awarded ANZIAM's E. O. Tuck medal for research in applied mathematics.

Shaun writes a blog, 'A Measure of Science', as part of Sciblogs.co.nz and has a monthly column in Unlimited Magazine. He also has a regular slot on Radio New Zealand Nights as physics correspondent. In 2012, Shaun was awarded the Callaghan Medal by the Royal Society of New Zealand and the Prime Minister's Science Media Communication Prize for his achievements as a science communicator. His first book, Get Off the Grass, co-authored with the late Sir Paul Callaghan, was published in August 2013.

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**Herbert Van de Sompel** graduated in Mathematics and Computer Science at Ghent University (Belgium) and in 2000 obtained a Ph.D. in Communication Science there. He has held positions at Ghent University, Cornell University, and the British Library. Currently, he leads an information science research team at the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

Herbert has played a major role in creating the Protocol for Metadata Harvesting (OAI-PMH), the Object Reuse & Exchange specifications (OAI-ORE) the OpenURL Framework for Context-Sensitive Services, the SFX linking server, the bX scholarly recommender service, and info URI. Currently, he works with his team on the Open Annotation, Memento (time travel for the Web), ResourceSync, and Hiberlink projects. More info at <http://public.lanl.gov/herbert/>.

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**Dr. Ross Wilkinson** is the executive director of the Australian National Data Service, helping to make data more valuable for researchers, institutions and the nation.

His research career commenced with his Ph. D. in mathematics at Monash University before researching in computer science at La Trobe University, R.M.I.T. and at CSIRO. Some of his areas of research have been document retrieval effectiveness, structured documents retrieval, and most recently on technologies that support people to interact with their information environments. He has published over 90 research papers, has served on many program committees and was a program co-chair for both SIGIR'96 and SIGIR'98.

He is a Council Member of the Research Data Alliance and is leading the Australian National Data Service helping to make Australia's research data more valuable to enable Australia's researchers to more effectively use and re-use research data, wherever it comes from, and in partnership with researchers around the world.