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Having read with interest the ALIA discussion paper, the Library at Griffith University would like to offer the following thoughts:

While we would agree that convergence and connection are important themes, we believe that more attention could be paid to consumerisation. In the business world, for example, the general consumer is the primary driver of innovation. It is our clients who will play a strong role in shaping libraries of the future.

In regard specifically to Theme 3: The Golden Age of Information, there are 2 aspects which are not touched on for "university and TAFE libraries":

1. Libraries will have an important role in influencing and engaging with publishers, preservation agencies and other key stakeholders in establishing appropriate and sustainable business and preservation models for digital content.

2. The Library is well placed as a key participant or catalyst in helping the University 'publish' the outputs of its research and scholarship and build new types of virtual research and scholarly collections, thereby making outputs more easily discoverable and accessible for collaboration and reuse

We look forward to reading the result of the feedback being currently sought --in whatever format that might take.

Regards,

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