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## **For Immediate Release**

### **NCLIS and the University of Michigan Sponsor National Symposium**

Washington, DC USA, January 17, 2006—The U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) and the University of Michigan University Library are sponsoring a national symposium on March 10-11, 2006 to discuss the impact of mass digitization projects on libraries, universities, government, information policy, publishing, and education.

Entitled "Scholarship and Libraries in Transition: A Dialogue about the Impacts of Mass Digitization Projects," this two-day symposium will provide an opportunity for faculty, students, librarians, publishers, information specialists, policy makers, and the broader academic community to discuss the changing information environment.

Keynote speakers include Tim O'Reilly, founder & CEO of O'Reilly Media, and Clifford Lynch, Director of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI). Twenty national and international panelists will engage the audience in conversation and share various perspectives about the impacts of mass digitization initiatives.

While there is no registration fee, all attendees are required to register via the website. The symposium will be held at the Rackham Auditorium at the University of Michigan. For more information, visit <http://www.lib.umich.edu/mdp/symposium>.

## **ABOUT NCLIS**

The U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) is a permanent, independent agency of the Federal government charged by Public Law 91-345 to advise the President and Congress on national and international library and information policies, to appraise and assess the adequacies and deficiencies of library and information resources and services, and to develop overall plans for meeting national library and information needs.

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