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Subject Invitation to speak at RDWS

Dear Kirk,

You will have recently received an e-mail update on the Research Data Workforce Summit on December 6th, 2010, in Chicago. We would like you to be part of the Educator Perspectives panel, providing a 15-minute presentation on issues and challenges in educating the research data workforce, then participating in discussion with the panel group and the audience.

We are planning to cover two nights of hotel (Sunday and Monday) and reimburse up to \$300 in airfare for speakers. Although we can only pay for two nights at the hotel, if you are staying on for the conference, we are happy to reserve your room for your entire stay. Please contact Virgil Varvel (vvarvel@illinois.edu) by October 4th if you want to reserve additional days at the hotel. Once you confirm your participation, we will be in touch with further information and the forms required for reimbursement.

Please let me know as soon as possible if we can include you on the program in this role. We hope to firm up presenters in the next week or so.

It was great to see you at the Wolfram Summit in DC. I look forward to future conversations.

All best,
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From [Melissa Cragin <cragin@illinois.edu>](mailto:cragin@illinois.edu)
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Subject Invitation to Research Data Workforce Summit - Dec. 6, 2010

Dear Dr. Borne,

I am not sure that you'll remember me from last year's ESSI meeting at UMBC, but I have continue to follow the development of your new program for Data Science at GMU. I will not be able to participate at ESSI this year, but my colleague, Dr. David Dubin will be there representing our group. Hopefully, I'll be able to attend next year.

I write today because we are organizing an invitational Research Data Workforce Summit on Monday, December 6th, 2010, in conjunction with the International Digital Curation Conference in Chicago. The program will include representatives from government agencies involved in data management and data curation, and educators who are active in this area, including representatives from NSF DataNet Projects who are developing programs to advance the data curation workforce. The summit is part of the Data Conservancy initiative, one of the DataNet partners.

We have two primary objectives for the summit:

- 1) build awareness and synergies among the educational activities, and
- 2) provide exposure to important perspectives from potential employers

For this year, we will be focusing on government perspectives for this second objective, and we expect to focus on the private sector for the second summit, slated for 2011.

As a leader in the field of data science education, we would like to invite you to participate. We believe that your perspective will be an important part of our meeting.

Best regards,
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