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Carol Pitts Diedrichs Elected ARL Vice President/President-Elect



Director of University Libraries Carol Pitts Diedrichs has been elected Vice President/President Elect of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL).

Diedrichs has been a member of the ARL Board of Directors since 2009. Wendy Pradt Lougee, University Librarian and McKnight Presidential Professor, University of Minnesota, will serve a one-year term as ARL President, with Diedrichs assuming the post in October 2013. (See the complete [ARL news release](#).)

Diedrichs is active in both ARL and the American Library Association (ALA). Her work has been recognized with three awards from ALA, including the 2008 Ross Atkinson Lifetime Achievement Award.

In 2002, Diedrichs was honored as a founder of OhioLINK, a consortium of 88 Ohio college and university libraries, and the State Library of Ohio, that work together to provide Ohio students, faculty and researchers with the information needed for teaching and research. In addition, she is an elected member of OCLC's Global Council and has been elected to represent the libraries of the CIC consortium on the Governing Board of the HathiTrust.

Diedrichs served as President of the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), a division of the ALA. She is a frequent speaker, author and consultant.

Diedrichs has been director of University Libraries since 2010. Prior to her appointment at Ohio State, she served as Dean of Libraries and William T. Young Endowed Chair at the University of Kentucky. Since her appointment, the Ohio State Libraries have received numerous honors, including a 2012 "Landmark Library" designation for the renovated Thompson Library from *Library Journal*, and a #5 ranking among public university libraries on the annual ARL Investment Index.

The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) is a nonprofit organization of 126 research libraries in the US and



Canada. Its mission is to influence the changing environment of scholarly communication and the public policies that affect research libraries and the diverse communities they serve. ARL pursues this mission by advancing the goals of its member research libraries, providing leadership in public and information policy to the scholarly and higher education communities, fostering the exchange of ideas and expertise, facilitating the emergence of new roles for research libraries, and shaping a future environment that leverages its interests with those of allied organizations. ARL is on the web at <http://www.arl.org/>.