



Kickoff Informational Meeting
September 29, 2014, 2-4 pm
Special Events Room (6137), McKeldin Library

The Future of Information Alliance

*Bringing people together to solve
the world's information problems.*

Key Dates 2014-15

Sep 29, 2-4 pm	Seed Grant Kickoff Informational Meeting
Oct 20, 1-5 pm	Coaching and Pitch Clinic: Learn to create a great grant application and practice your one-minute pitch
Nov 10	Applications Due (by 5 pm)
Nov 17	Semi-Finalists Announced
Dec 10	Semi-Finalist Presentations and Winners Announced
Dec – May	Four winning teams work on their projects
May 6, 2015	Completed projects presented

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How to Be a Part of the Competition

- Create a team of three to five students, from at least two different colleges, and a faculty advisor(s).
- Have an idea about solving an information problem in the world.
- Consider which *FIA Partner* you would like to work with on your project.
- Submit the five-page grant proposal.
- Finalists present their proposals and four teams win grants.

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Winning team members will be declared Deutsch-FIA Fellows.

Learn more at www.fia.umd.edu/seedgrants

10 Priorities for the Future of Information



Privacy

How can private information be secure in a networked world?



Credibility

How can we identify accurate information and reliable sources?



InfoEquity

Can the digital divide be reduced to foster opportunity for all?



InfoLiteracy

How can knowledge about evolving resources be improved?



Culture

How can different cultures better understand each other?



Transparency

How can barriers to information about government be reduced?



Finances

What business models will support content creation and access?



Collaboration

How can research across disciplines help tackle the big issues?



InfoTransfer

How can expert information be translated for broad use?



Emergence

How can people use available tools together to aid humankind?

Notes

The Future of Information Alliance is co-directed by Professor Allison Druin, Chief Futurist at the University of Maryland Division of Research, and Associate Dean Ira Chinoy of Maryland's Philip Merrill College of Journalism. The FIA operates under the auspices of the Office of the Vice President for Research and is supported by the deans of all colleges and schools across campus as well as a broad-based campus advisory board.

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