

	<p style="text-align: right;">Date : 18/05/2007</p> <p>Session Theme: Information Providers Coping with Disaster in Asia-Oceania</p> <p>Invited Keynote Speaker: Graham Matthews Professor of Information Management, Loughborough University, UK</p> <p>Theme: <i>Disaster management in the cultural heritage sector: a perspective of international activity from the United Kingdom: lessons and messages</i></p>
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Short Biography

Graham Matthews is Professor of Information Management, Department of Information Science, Loughborough University. He was previously Professor of Information and Library Management, Liverpool John Moores University. He has a PhD in preservation management in libraries and has led or been involved in several major research projects on different aspects of this topic on which he has written widely. He is Chair of the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals Preservation and Conservation Panel and has served on other national preservation committees.

He was Project Head of an Arts and Humanities Research Council funded project, 'Safeguarding heritage at risk: disaster management in United Kingdom archives, libraries and museums', March 2005 – October 2006. His previous research in this area includes: Matthews, G. and Eden, P. *Disaster management in British libraries: report and guidelines* (British Library Research and Innovation Report 109. London: British Library Research and Development Department, 1996); and, Matthews, G., Spry, J., Thebridge, S. and Nankivell, C. *An investigation into the work of REDS (Regional Emergencies & Disaster Squad). A report to East Midlands Museums, Libraries and Archives Council (EMMLAC)* (Birmingham: Centre for Information Research (CIRT), University of Central England in Birmingham; Leicester: East Midlands Museums, Libraries and Archives Council (EMMLAC), 2004). He co-edited (with Prof J P Feather, Loughborough University), *Disaster management for libraries and archives* (Ashgate, 2003).