

Governance and Recordkeeping Around the World newsletter - Library and Archives Canada new releases

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As the newsletter, for the most part, focuses on what is happening outside of Library and Archives Canada a number of our readers have asked if it is possible to have emails sent when new products and tools are released. The answer is yes!

Feel free to forward this email and those who are interested in receiving the [newsletter](#), and the special features, can send an email to stephen.gerley@canada.ca.

1) Generic Valuation Tools (GVTs) now on Library and Archives Canada Website

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services/government-information-resources/guidelines/generic-valuation-tools/Pages/introduction.aspx>

Generic Valuation Tools (GVTs) are recordkeeping tools that describe common business processes across the Government of Canada. The purpose of the GVTs is to list typical information resources of business value and provide suggestions for retention periods for both administrative and common operational activities. Government of Canada institutions have found the GVTs useful not only for achieving compliance with the [Directive on Recordkeeping](#), but for organizing their recordkeeping and verifying retention periods.

2) Strategic Policy Suites frameworks

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/about-us/policy/Pages/introduction.aspx>

Library and Archives Canada is ensuring that our documentary heritage is being preserved. One of the ways we are doing this is through the Strategic Policy Suites frameworks. Six policies have been developed to support these frameworks and are available on our Website.

3) Wallot-Sylvestre Seminars

The Wallot-Sylvestre seminars focus on informing and disseminating strategic thinking in domains such as library, information and archival sciences as well as history. Lecturers are from the academic, public and private sectors, and include scholars and practitioners. Past speakers were:

David S. Ferriero, Archivist of the United States

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/news/videos/Pages/seminar-wallot-sylvestre.aspx>

David Fricker, Director General of the National Archives of Australia

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/news/videos/Pages/wallot-sylvestre-david-fricker.aspx>

Robert Darnton, Carl H. Pforzheimer Professor and University Librarian Emeritus, Harvard University

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/news/videos/Pages/wallot-sylvestre-robert-darnton.aspx>

Caroline Brazier, Chief Librarian at the British Library, will be the guest speaker at the next seminar on May 2, 2016.

The seminars can be followed live on Twitter. However, because of time zone differences and other factors, not everyone can do this. The good news is once a seminar is held within a short period of time the video of the event is posted online.

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