

“CENDI Information Managers’ Group: Brief Introduction”

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What is CENDI?

- ➔ An interagency group of senior STI managers who have agreed to cooperate by
 - Exchanging information and ideas
 - Sharing resources
 - Undertaking joint initiatives
 - From policy to standards to operations

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Agency Constraints

- Budget
- Personnel slots
- Specialized expertise
- Access to contractors
- Technical barriers
- Policy directions
- Administrative requirements

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CENDI Membership

CENDI is an interagency working group composed of Senior STI Managers

- 7 major programs
- 6 U.S. Federal agencies

COMMERCE - National Technical Information Service (NTIS)

ENERGY - Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI)

NASA - Scientific and Technical Information Program (NASA STI)

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE (NLM)

DEFENSE - Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) and the National Air Intelligence Center (NAIC)

INTERIOR - USGS Biological Resources Division (BRD)

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CENDI is Formally Established Under an Interagency MOU

- 1973 -- Phase-out of COSATI
- Mid-1970's to Mid-1980's -- Cooperation on ad hoc basis
- 1982 -- Regular but informal meetings
- 1985 -- Formal interagency MOU among four agencies (NTIS, DOE, DoD, and NASA)
- 1987 -- National Library of Medicine (NLM) joined through MOU agreement
- 1988 -- Secretariat created
- 1993 -- National Air Intelligence Center (NAIC) joined CENDI
- 1995 -- Department of Interior/Biological Resources Division (BRD) joined CENDI

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CENDI Goals

- Coordination and Leadership
- Joint Projects
- Education

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CENDI-Sponsored/Planned Workshops

- **Systems Architecture and Modernization**
- **SGML Workshop**
- **Helpdesk**
- **Indexing**
- **Machine Translation**
- **COSPO/CENDI Industry**
- **Gateway Developers**
- **Bibliographic Standards**
- **Customer Service**

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In 1996-97, CENDI cooperated with over 65 other organizations

- 4 legal and policy agencies
- 15 mission agencies
- 3 legislative branch agencies
- 3 state and local government entities
- 3 interagency groups
- 11 academic organizations
- 24 private sector entities
- 2 international organizations
- over 125 staff of member agencies were involved

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CENDI Planning Themes

Set the Stage

1990 -- The Value of Cooperation: Positioning for the 1990's
1991 -- Building Strategic Alliance
1992 -- Critical Connections: Cooperation to Enhance Information

Value and Use

1993 -- Navigating in a Networked World
1994 -- Building a Digital Information Network
1995 -- Changing Missions -- Changing Technologies
1996 -- Opportunity in Change
1997 -- Changing STI Management in a Networked Environment
1998 -- Enterprise Networking and STI Futures

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**CENDI
MEMBERS**
(Principals,
Alternates)

SECRETARIAT

**Information
Exchange**

Cataloging

**User
Education**

**Technology
Focus
Assessments**

**Joint
Projects**

Workshops

**OBSERVERS
and Cooperating
Organizations**

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CENDI Principals and Alternates

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"World Class Trade and Business Information"

Donald Johnson, Director
Department of Commerce /National Technical Information Service

"Building a Virtual Knowledge Warehouse"

Kurt Molholm, Administrator
Department of Defense/Defense Technical Information Center

"Turning Technology Loose on the Information Age"

Tom Pedtke, Assistant Chief Scientist
U.S. Air Force/National Air Intelligence Center

"Global Research From the Desktop: DOE's Virtual Library Environment"

Walter Warnick, Director
Office of Scientific and Technical Information
Department of Energy

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