It’s not too soon to propose programs for the next AALL Annual Meeting

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ALL’s Annual Meetings are always successful, thanks to the high-quality program proposals and other suggestions you—the member—offer to the Annual Meeting Program Committee and Headquarters staff. This reliance on member contributions will continue with next year’s Annual Meeting in Denver. In fact, it is fair to say that member involvement is more critical than ever before.

In today’s global social and economic environment with instantaneous communications and turbulent flux, it is increasingly necessary for law librarians to anticipate new tomorrows. We all need the skills to anticipate the future and the knowledge to position ourselves, our profession, and our institutions for success in a changing world. Attendees of Summit 2010: Mapping Our Future will discover together as a professional community how to renew ourselves, plan and build for the challenges of the future. The committee is especially receptive to insightful proposals that address some of the following questions:

- How do we build relationships that bridge divisions?
- How do we sustain the networks we create?
- Are information resources becoming “places”?
- How will libraries’ services transform as libraries themselves become more “virtual”?  
- What can we do to enhance the creation, design, and flow of information?

Of course, we welcome all program and workshop proposals that are related to the theme. The online program and workshop proposal collection site (http://proposals.aallnet.org) is now open for your proposal submission. It will enable you to develop your proposal in your own workspace, share it with your colleagues, and submit it online by the August 23 deadline. A program planner’s handbook is also available on the site. This is the first of many resources that will provide you with the practical guidance to turn your ideas into top-notch program proposals. There is also a recent Webinar, linked from the site, which provides additional useful tips. This is the first of many resources that will provide you with the practical guidance to turn your ideas into top-notch program proposals. There is also a recent Webinar, linked from the site, which provides additional useful tips. Of course, we welcome all program and workshop proposals that are related to the theme.

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