

*Association of  
Information and  
Dissemination  
Centers*

# **ASIDIC**

## **ASSOCIATION OF INFORMATION AND DISSEMINATION CENTERS**

Founded in 1968.

### **Objective:**

To bring together organizations involved in the production, distribution, and use of electronic information products and services.

### **Membership:**

77 Organizations

National and International

Business, Academia, and Government

ASIDIC members are part of what  
Robert Steele refers to as:

The "open source smorgasbord" that  
now delivers to the consumer  
a flood of open source material.

ASIDIC is not about the scholarship side of  
information science.

Rather it is about the business side  
of delivering information content.

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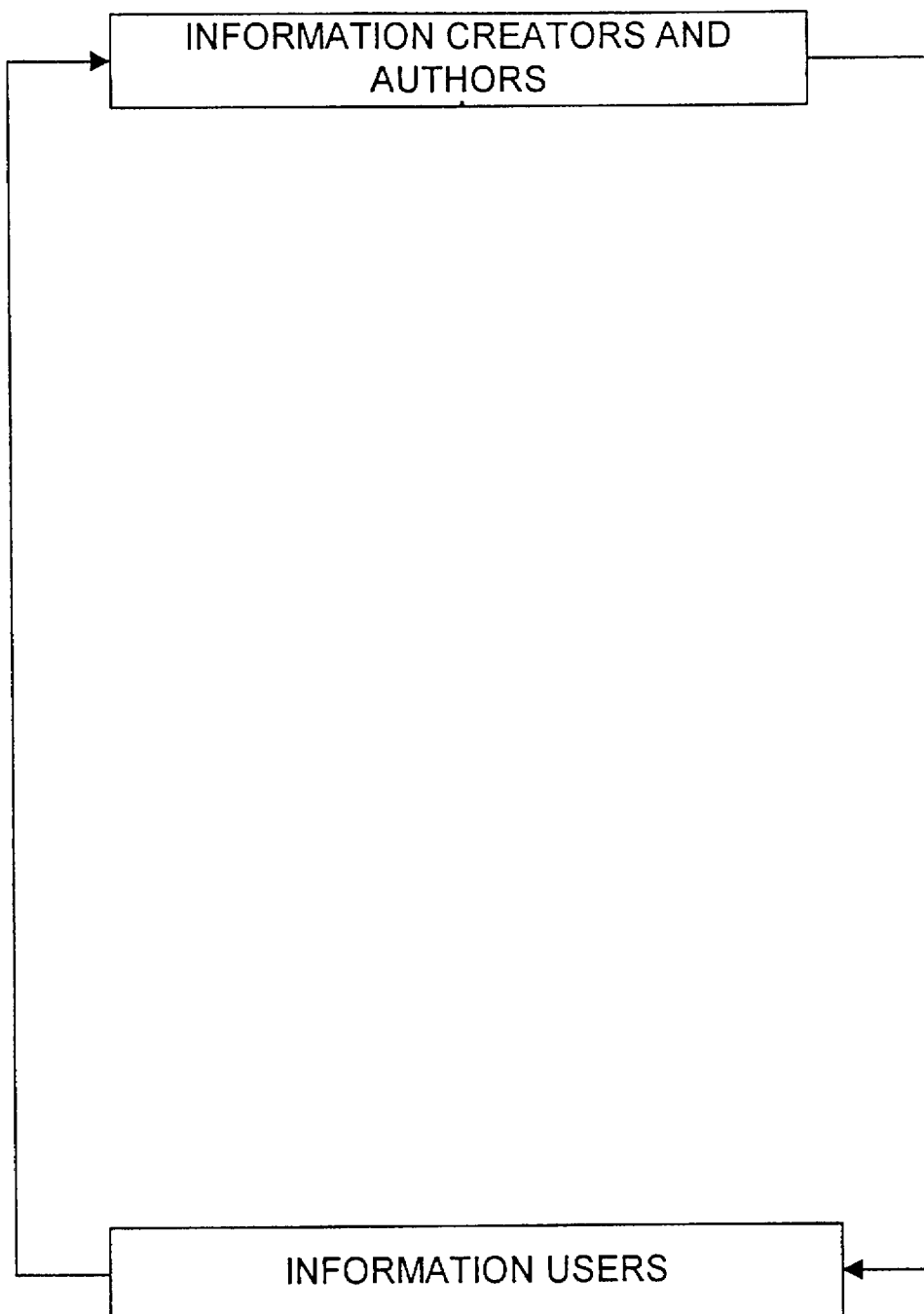
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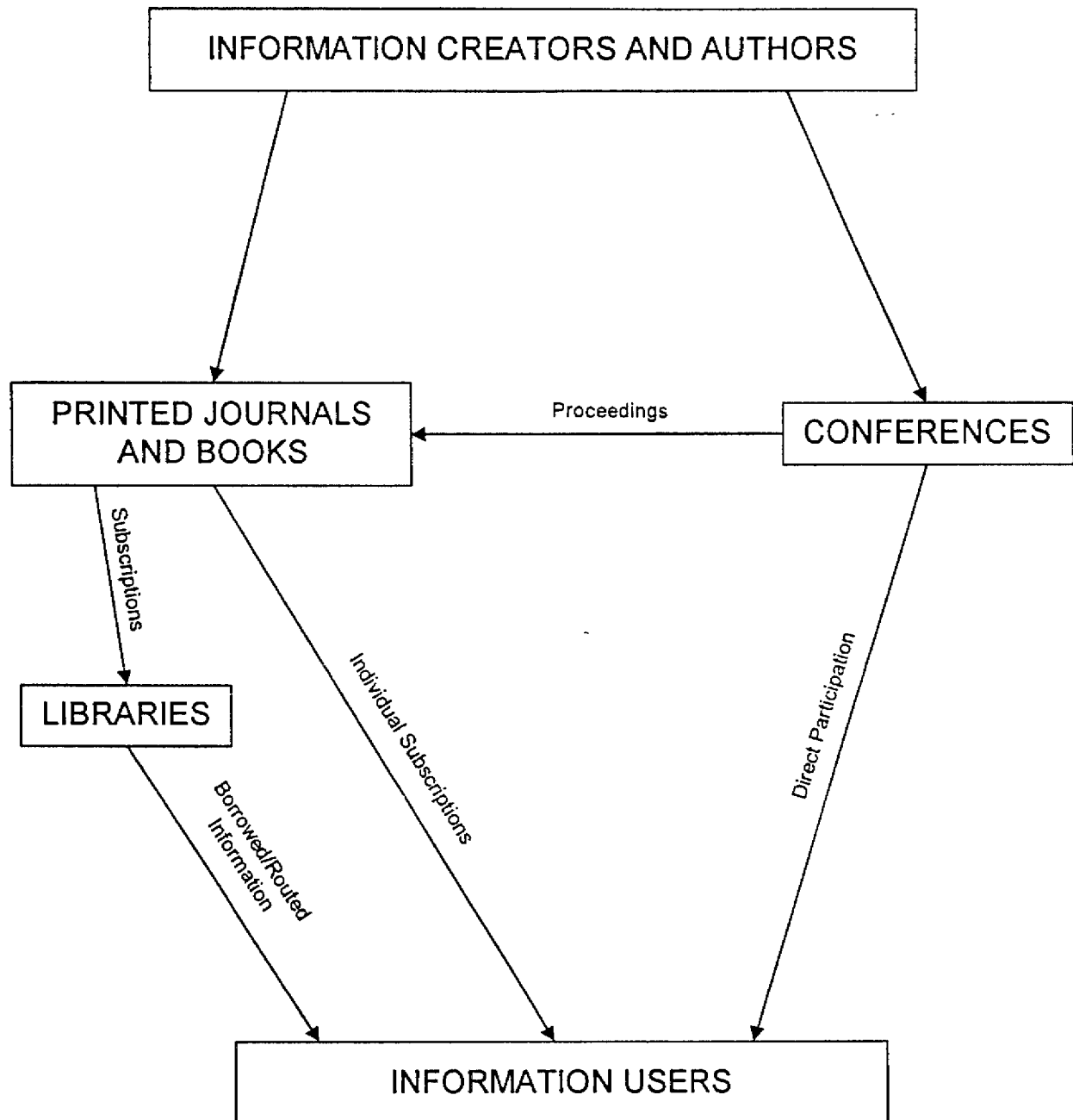
**THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF  
ELECTRONIC INFORMATION DELIVERY**



# The Information Superstructure

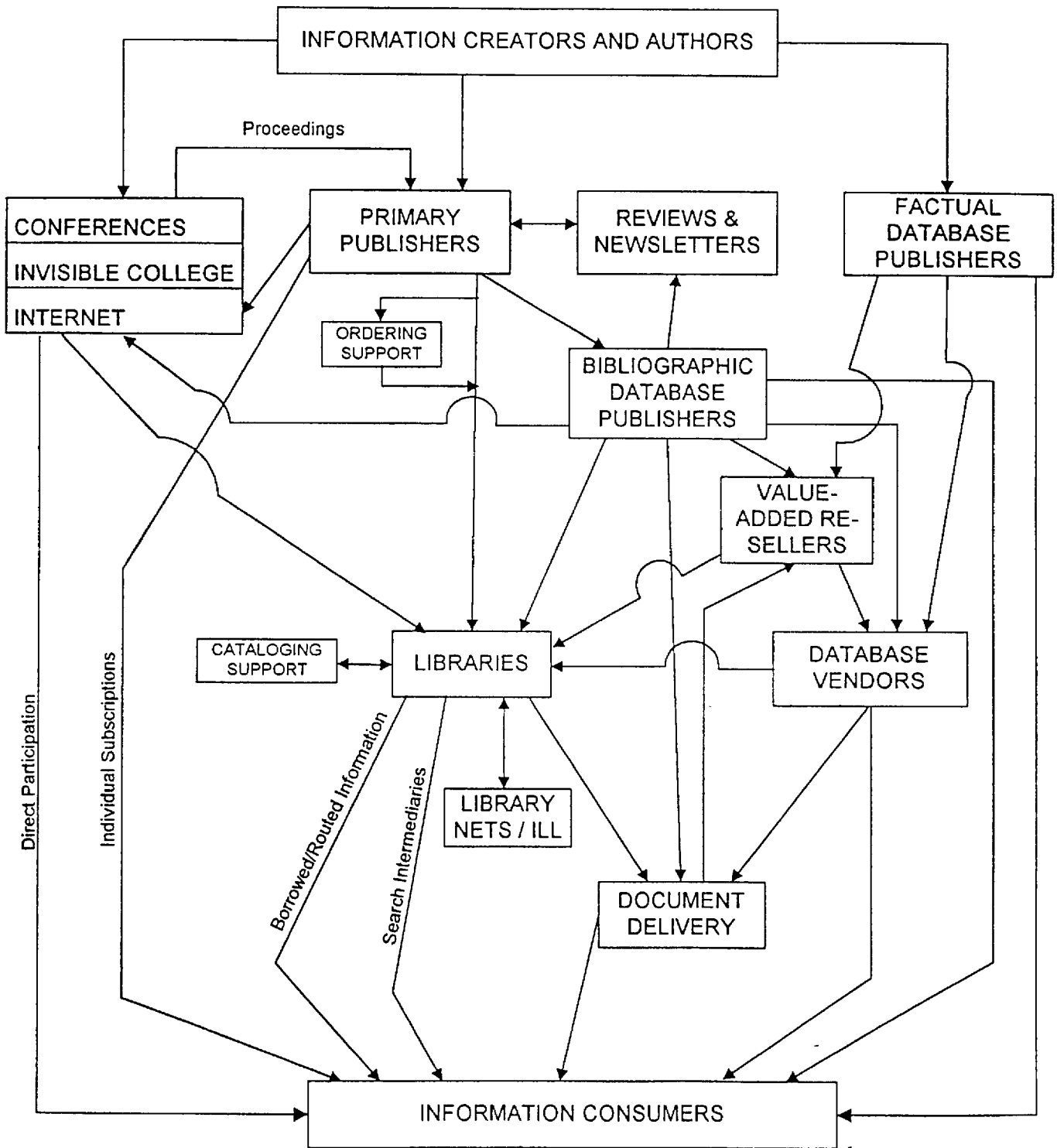


# Infrastructure for Printed Information



# Information Flow From Creator to Consumer Through the Information Infrastructure

Copyright  
 BIOSIS  
 Maureen C Kelly  
 1994



## Functions Performed by ASIDIC Members:

1. Build electronic databases, both bibliographic and factual.
2. Distribute electronic databases both online and on portable electronic media such as CD-ROM.
3. Supply tools, such as retrieval software, that facilitate access to electronic information.
4. Deliver the primary, printed documents that back-up the electronic databases.
5. Administer compliance with copyright.
6. Distill, repackage, and redistribute information from electronic databases.
7. Use the information retrieved from electronic databases.

## **ASIDIC Member Services**

Spring and Fall Meetings.

Formal Program Addressing Current Information Topics incl:

New Technology and its Product Implications , Standards and Regulations, Business Trends and Developments.

Lively Forum for Candid, Side-by-side Discussion of the Views and Insights of Electronic Information Producers, Distributors, and Users.

Newsletter.

## ASIDIC Spring 1994 Program:

In depth look at the new electronic information retrieval tools that allow users to prepare their search questions using natural language.

## ASIDIC Fall 1994 Program:

Focused on changes in the information business, incl:

- \* changing players: new roles.
- \* changing technology: new capabilities.
- \* changing users: new expectations.

**ASIDIC Supports  
Members with:**

**By Offering Members  
Options for:**

New Content

Packaging & Distribution

Existing Information  
Product

Repackaging, Partnering &  
Sales

Product Plans

Pre-Market Feedback

User Needs

Influencing the Development  
of Products

## CHANGE

Change began in early 1970's with advent of publicly-available electronic databases.

Initially, the economic model for information creation and delivery did not change.

Information creation largely funded indirectly via industry, academia, and government support for research and analysis.

Information delivery, for the most part, paid for directly by its users.

Throughout the 1970's and 80's, print publishers and libraries continued to operate largely in their traditional roles

In the 1990's major changes to the old model began to surface, including changes that are destabilizing to the economic underpinnings of the information infrastructure.



Theories abound as to how it will all turn out. Most every day there are new indicators to be interpreted. Each participant has his own view of the future, his own reading of the tea leaves.

It would be nice if we could accurately predict the future, but even the weathermen get it wrong sometimes. When major changes are in the offing, we welcome all the help we can get in forecasting and reacting to that change.

It is times like these when organizations such as ASIDIC can be of particular value. Current information, key participants, and a forum for candid discussion serve better than reading the tea leaves in the bottom of your cup.

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