Preface

The Third European Conference on Information Literacy (ECIL) was co-organized by the Department of Information Management of Hacettepe University, Turkey, Department of Information and Communication Sciences of Zagreb University, Croatia, and the Institute of Information Studies of Tallinn University, Estonia. Information literacy and sustainability being the main theme, ECIL 2015 aimed to bring together researchers, information professionals, media specialists, educators, policymakers, and all related parties from around the world to exchange knowledge and experience and discuss current issues and recent developments.

The main theme of the third conference was “Information Literacy in the Green Society.” In all, 226 proposals were submitted to the conference. Contributions came from 50 different countries (Albania, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Iran, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Lithuania, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, The Netherlands, Turkey, UK, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, USA). All submissions were subjected to a double-blind review process. This book consists of a total of 61 papers addressing many different issues.

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