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The group has continued to recruit participants and now includes representatives from additional institutions including the Smithsonian, New York University, MIT, and the University of North Texas. A number of notable projects in this field are also represented, including Opaque Namespace, the Digital Public Library of America, the Open Metadata Registry, and ArchivesSpace. We are grateful to IMLS for approving a change allowing us to invite international participants representing Europeana, the Conference of European National Libraries, and ISNI. Finally, we will also be welcoming a number of participants from the publishing and commercial sectors. Participants are making their travel arrangements. In all, we expect to have around 35 attendees at the forum.

A planning subgroup has been meeting to devise an agenda for the October forum. We are currently soliciting speakers and panelists from within the project group. The final agenda will be posted shortly.

Group members have continued to meet regularly on conference calls to share knowledge ahead of the meeting. Recent discussions have covered aggregation workflows, metadata creation tools, and sustainability. Themes from these discussions will be consolidated into a discussion paper that will be used to seed discussions at the October meeting.