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Biography for Ms. Robin Dale, Deputy Director for Library Services

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Robin L. Dale serves as Deputy Director of Library Services at the Institute of Museum and Library Services. In this capacity, she provides leadership at the agency and helps build the capacity of libraries and archives to serve the public. She provides oversight for the IMLS's library-related programs of financial assistance, including Grants to States and Native American Tribes, National Leadership Grants, and the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarians Program.

Prior to coming to IMLS, Dale was Senior Director for Digital Services for LYRASIS where she developed & implemented organizational strategy for digital programs, services, grant funding, and partnerships. Before LYRASIS, she was the Associate University Librarian for Collections and Library Information Systems at the University of California, Santa Cruz where she managed UCSC's participation in digitization projects, coordinated library technology, collections, and technical services activities, and planned the digitization and digital collection development of local, unique collections.

Prior to UCSC, she was a long-time program manager at RLG, managing collaborative programmatic activities related to digital preservation and digitization. Since 1997, her work has focused on managing technology projects, library collections initiatives, standards and best practice building activities related to creation, description, and curation of digital and analog collections.