

On Synergies and its Impact on Social Sciences and Humanities Research

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This talk will introduce the main goals of the *Synergies* project and its impact on the production and dissemination of Canadian research. By facilitating distribution and use of research and acting as a resource for further research, *Synergies* will greatly enhance the potential and impact of Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) scholarship.

Synergies: The Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities is a four year CFI funded project to create a national distributed platform for the creation, distribution, access and archiving of digital objects such as journal articles. It will further enable the distribution and use of social sciences and humanities research in the digital realm, as well as to create a resource and platform for pure and applied research.

Canadian social sciences and humanities research published in journals and elsewhere, especially in English, are not well represented on the Internet. By increasing SSH's electronic presence, *Synergies* will not only bring Canadian content into the mainstream of worldwide research discourse but also legitimize online publication in the SSH.. Researchers will be able to take advantage of interactivity and enriched media—color, image, sound, moving images, multimedia. Those who query existing research will be able to broaden their vision with navigational interfaces, multilingual interrogation and automatic translation, textual analysis, metadata and intelligent search engines. Lastly, scholars will be able to expand new areas of knowledge such as bibliometrics, technometrics, new media analysis, scholarly communicational analysis and publishing studies.

Michael Eberle-Sinatra

Michael is an Associate Professor of Nineteenth-Century British Literature at the Universite de Montreal. He was appointed President of *Synergies* in 1995. In 1996 Professor Eberle-Sinatra founded a peer-reviewed, electronic journal *Romanticism on the Net* <<http://www.ron.umontreal.ca/>>. He is a founding executive member of the Mellon-funded project 'Networked Infrastructure for Nineteenth-century Electronic Scholarship' <<http://www.nines.org/>> and currently serves on the executive of the Canadian Association of Learned Journals.

Michael earned a D.Phil. at Oxford and was a Research Associate at the Northrop Frye Centre, University of Toronto.

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