

2018 LAS PASSION AWARD

IRINE TANUDJAJA

Irine Tanudjaja joined NUS Libraries in 2014 as an Industrial & Systems Engineering librarian on the Engineering Resource Team, before also becoming a research impact librarian on the Bibliometrics Team in 2015. Irine's passion is evident in the exceptionally innovative service she provided to researchers and research administrators.

Irine's rich engineering industry work experience, deep analytical thinking skills, and agility in applying new tools transformed her from a brand new librarian to a valued and highly proficient research impact measurement librarian. She was appointed lead of the Bibliometrics Team in 2017 to train and guide a team of six librarians who advised faculty and staff on the use of metrics related to citations, for promotion and tenure, and research benchmarking. The effusive compliments and acknowledgments she received in student theses and researchers' articles attested to the outstanding support she offered.

Irine challenges herself to acquire new knowledge and skills continuously. She took the initiative to gain a solid understanding of APIs, which she leveraged to harvest citation metrics and other important information from ORCID and CrossRef. She also found novel ways to apply the tools she learned to analyze the content of the University's institutional repository to identify trends through subject mapping and to conduct literature reviews through citation mapping.

In 2018, Irine pioneered another groundbreaking initiative. She used open source tools to create a bibliometric mapping of NUS Business School's staff publications from which she prepared insightful, customized reports for the deans and department heads of the School of Business. She described the results of this initiative in a conference paper and presentation at IFLA World Library and Information Conference 2018. In the same year, the NUS Asia Research Institute invited her to deliver a highly acclaimed plenary skills-based session on research impact measurement at the 13th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies.

Irine's growing expertise in research impact metrics is being widely recognized by NUS Libraries and other segments of the academic community. Irine approaches all tasks with fervour and passion and this excellent attitude, coupled with superior technical skills, has enabled her to excel. In the last four years, she has achieved many firsts and has greatly enhanced NUS Libraries' image and that of the library profession within the university community and beyond. In recognition of these achievements, LAS is privileged to present Irine Tanudjaja with the 2018 LAS Passion Award.



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