# Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Newsletter

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Welcome to the V11N5 May 2013 issue of the **Awareness Watch<sup>™</sup> Newsletter.** This newsletter is available as a complimentary subscription and will be issued monthly. Each newsletter will feature the following:

Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Featured Report Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Spotters Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Book/Paper/Article Review Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs

I am always open to feedback from readers so please feel free to email with all suggestions, reviews and new resources that you feel would be appropriate for inclusion in an upcoming issue of Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup>. This is an ongoing work of creativity and you will be observing constant changes, constant updates knowing that "change" is the only thing that will remain constant!!

# Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Featured Report

This month's featured report covers **New Economy Resources 2013** and represents the latest world wide web resources for discovering new knowledge and understanding the latest happenings with regards to the New Economy. The world is rapidly changing as transparency, big data and the ability to access data from new and now accessible databases becomes a reality! These resources will keep you on the leading edge as the New Economy continues to grow at a rapid rate. Understanding the required new economy analytics, resources and alerts will give you the necessary tools to maintain your current position, improve your position and or discover the new knowledge required to be the leader in your profession. These resources are constantly updated by my Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Bots and the latest resources for the new economy! Begin your journey today and make the New Economy your place for now and in the future.



# **New Economy Resources 2013**

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### http://www.NewEconomyResources.com/

Understanding the required new economy analytics, resources and alerts will give you the necessary tools to maintain your current position, improve your position and or discover the new knowledge required to be the leader in your profession.

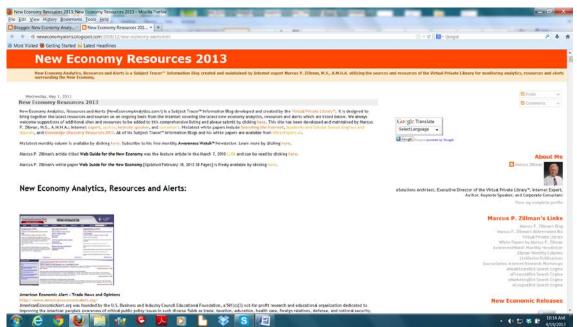


Figure 1: New Economy Resources 2013 by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.



### **American Economic Alert - Trade News and Opinions**

http://www.americaneconomicalert.org/

AmericanEconomicAlert.org was founded by the U.S. Business and Industry Council Educational Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit research and educational organization dedicated to improving the American people's awareness of critical public policy issues in such diverse fields as trade, taxation, education, health care, foreign relations, defense, and national security, among others. USBICEF is affiliated with the U.S. Business and Industry Council, a 501(c)(6) non-profit business association. The U.S. Business and Industry Council is a national organization of business owners and executives dedicated to making the U.S. domestic economy the world's leading engine of economic growth. The USBIC Educational Foundation is its research arm. Only a robust national economy, balanced in capabilities and dynamic in operation, can provide the material base for an American society that is stable at home and secure in the world.

## **BankTracker - Investigating Reporting Workshop**

http://banktracker.investigativereportingworkshop.org/

The unprecedented bet that many banks made on mortgages, real estate development and other real estate-related lending during the middle part of this decade has produced a payoff no one imagined just a few years ago -- a huge increase in loan defaults, a soaring number of foreclosures and a plunge in bank profits. And now, an analysis of bank financial statements by the Investigative Reporting Workshop and msnbc.com, sheds new light on just how dangerous conditions have become in many banks across the nation. The analysis is based on reports every bank is required to file each quarter with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., the federal agency that protects deposits and is part of the bank regulatory system. The Investigative Reporting Workshop, a project of the School of Communication at American University, intends to address this fundamental issue for democracy in two important ways: a) By conducting significant investigative journalism projects on a national and international scale; and b) By researching and experimenting with new models for creating and delivering investigative projects.

# Beige Book - Current Economic Conditions by Federal Reserve District http://www.federalreserve.gov/FOMC/BeigeBook/2012/

Commonly known as the Beige Book, this report is published eight times per year. Each Federal Reserve Bank gathers anecdotal information on current economic conditions in its District through reports from Bank and Branch directors and interviews with key business contacts, economists, market experts, and other sources. The Beige Book summarizes this information by District and sector. An overall summary of the twelve district reports is prepared by a designated Federal Reserve Bank on a rotating basis.

# Benton Foundation - Using Technology and Innovation To Address Our Nation's Critical Challenges

http://www.benton.org/

The mission of the Benton Foundation is to articulate a public interest vision for the digital age and to demonstrate the value of communications for solving social problems.



The Benton Foundation works to ensure that media and telecommunications serve the public interest and enhance our democracy. They pursue this mission by seeking policy solutions that support the values of access, diversity and equity, and by demonstrating the value of media and telecommunications for improving the quality of life for all.

# beSpacific - Accurate, Focused Research On Law, Technology and Knowledge Discovery

http://www.bespacific.com/

Blog by Sabrina I. Pacifici published since August 2002 providing accurate, focused research, highlighting primary government documents. Updated daily, it hosts a searchable database of over 31,000 postings on topics including: the financial system, egovernment, federal legislation, tech litigation, government documents, international law, privacy, cybercrime and ID theft, KM, legal research, and civil liberties. beSpacific was recognized as the Best Law Librarian Blog of 2011 and 2005, Best Overall Legal Blog of 2004, the Best Legal Support Blog of 2005, and was the recipient of the 2006 AALL/West Thomson Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Use of Technology. A **must daily read** for latest law and technology news.

# Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) U.S. Department of Commerce <a href="http://www.bea.gov/index.htm">http://www.bea.gov/index.htm</a>

BEA strives to provide the most timely, relevant and accurate economic data to you, their users, to help promote a better understanding of the U.S. economy. These reliable and consistent measures of economic activity are essential to the informed decision making of policymakers, business leaders and every American household. The success of their statistical programs, in large part, is determined by the trust in the quality of their data. As one of the world's leading statistical agencies, they are dedicated to staying on the cutting edge of the economy. To help keep you informed on a number of non-statistical issues, their Director's Page provides a number of useful pieces of information. The 5-year BEA Strategic Plan is available for your review as well as a report card of their successes in meeting the over 200 annual milestones in the Plan. Information on the President's current budget request for BEA also is available. Congressional testimony related to BEA and its statistical programs will be included to keep you current on important topics being considered by Congress. Finally, other important reports and information can be found to keep you informed on ongoing activities and plans at BEA.

### **Business Dynamics Statistics, BDS**

http://www.ces.census.gov/index.php/bds/bds home

The new Business Dynamics Statistics are a product of the Center for Economic Studies of the U.S. Census Bureau. The annual series describes establishment-level business dynamics along dimensions absent from similar databases including firm age and firm size. The new data series provides researchers with a tool to gain insight into the dynamics of a changing economy. Business Dynamics Statistics are created from the Longitudinal Business Database (LBD), a confidential database available to researchers throughout the network of Census Research Data Centers. The BDS was developed by



the U.S. Census Bureau, and partially funded by the Kauffman Foundation. The BDS is unique in that its source data are longitudinal in nature and permit tracking establishments and firms over time. The public use files are created in an effort to make these data accessible to a broad range of data users. Other efforts currently under way include the creation of a fully synthetic microdata file based on the LBD. The BDS series provides annual statistics for 1976-2005 by firm age and firm size. Annual files are also provided at the state level, for Standard Industrial Classification sectors and for the economy as a whole.

# Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog http://www.BIResources.info/

Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest business intelligence resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

### **Census Bureau Economic Briefing Room**

http://www.census.gov/cgi-bin/briefroom/BriefRm

A overall view of the latest economic indicators presented by the Census Bureau along with Economic Indicator Calendar and Census Bureau Economic Programs.

# **Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)**

http://www.cepr.net/

The Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR) was established in 1999 to promote democratic debate on the most important economic and social issues that affect people's lives. In order for citizens to effectively exercise their voices in a democracy, they should be informed about the problems and choices that they face. CEPR is committed to presenting issues in an accurate and understandable manner, so that the public is better prepared to choose among the various policy options. Toward this end, CEPR conducts both professional research and public education. The professional research is oriented towards filling important gaps in the understanding of particular economic and social problems, or the impact of specific policies. The public education portion of CEPR's mission is to present the findings of professional research, both by CEPR and others, in a manner that allows broad segments of the public to know exactly what is at stake in major policy debates. An informed public should be able to choose policies that lead to an improving quality of life, both for people within the United States and around the world.

### **Change Tracker - Tracking Change In Washington**

http://www.propublica.org/feature/changetracker

ChangeTracker, an experimental new tool that watches pages on a) whitehouse.gov, b) recovery.gov and c) financialstability.gov so you don't have to. When the White House adds or deletes anything—say a blog post, or executive order ... ChangeTracker will let you know. The latest changes are on their page or sign up to get alerts sent to you. Each



change links to a page that shows the different versions side-by-side. Text highlighted in red means it was removed, green means it was added.

### CitySourced - Mobile Civic Engagement Platform

http://www.citysourced.com/

CitySourced is a real time mobile civic engagement platform. CitySourced provides a free, simple, and intuitive platform empowering residents to identify civic issues (public safety, quality of life, & environmental issues, etc.) and report them to city hall for quick resolution; an opportunity for government to use technology to save time and money plus improve accountability to those they govern; and a positive, collaborative platform for real action. A picture tells a thousand works and CitySourced makes it snap.

### ClearSpending - Making Sense of the Federal Checkbook

http://sunlightfoundation.com/clearspending/

They have taken data from other federal reporting systems and compared it with the data found in USASpending.gov across three categories: Consistency, Completeness and Timeliness. How close are the reported dollar amounts to the yearly estimates? How many of the required fields are filled out in each record? And how long did it take the agency to report the money once it was allocated to a project?

### Congress.gov Beta

http://beta.congress.gov/

The beta version of the site contains legislation from the 107th Congress (2001) to the present, member profiles from the 93rd Congress (1973) to the present, and some member profiles from the 80th through the 92nd Congresses (1947 to 1972). Congress.gov is in an initial beta phase with plans to transform the Library of Congress's existing congressional information system into a modern, durable and user-friendly resource. Eventually, it will incorporate all of the information available on THOMAS.gov. (To compare the scope of legislative information on THOMAS.gov versus the scope of legislative information on the beta

# **Congressional Research Service (CRS) Reports Repositories**

http://archive-it.org/collections/1078

Congressional Research Service (CRS) is a "think tank" that provides research reports to members of Congress on a variety of topics relevant to current political events. However, the Congressional Research Service (CRS) does not provide direct public access to its reports, nor are they released to the public via the Federal Library Depository Program (FDLP). There are several organizations that collect and give access to subsets of published CRS Reports. This collection attempts to bring all CRS Reports together in one place.



# DataCatalogs.org - Comprehensive List of Open Data Catalogs Curated By Experts From Around the World

### http://datacatalogs.org/

DataCatalogs.org aims to be the most comprehensive list of open data catalogs in the world. It is curated by a group of leading open data experts from around the world including representatives from local, regional and national governments, international organisations such as the World Bank, and numerous NGOs. The alpha version of DataCatalogs.org was launched at OKCon 2011 in Berlin. They have plenty of useful improvements and features in the pipeline, which will be launched over the coming months. Currently 249 registered data catalogs are available

### Data.gov

### http://www.Data.gov/

The purpose of Data.gov is to increase public access to high value, machine readable datasets generated by the Executive Branch of the Federal Government. Although the initial launch of Data.gov provides a limited portion of the rich variety of Federal datasets presently available, they invite you to actively participate in shaping the future of Data.gov by suggesting additional datasets and site enhancements to provide seamless access and use of your Federal data. Data.gov includes a searchable data catalog that includes access to data in two ways: through the "raw" data catalog and using tools. As a priority Open Government Initiative for President Obama's administration, Data.gov increases the ability of the public to easily find, download, and use datasets that are generated and held by the Federal Government. Data.gov provides descriptions of the Federal datasets (metadata), information about how to access the datasets, and tools that leverage government datasets. The data catalogs will continue to grow as datasets are added. Federal, Executive Branch data are included in the first version of Data.gov.

#### DataMasher - State Data - Mash It

### http://www.datamasher.org/

How do the States Compare? Mash up some government data to find out! The Federal Government produces an immeasurable amount of data each day. DataMasher helps citizens with that data by creating mashups to visualize them in different ways and see how states compare on important issues. Users can combine different data sets in interesting ways and create their own custom rankings of the states.

### **Debategraph - The Global Debate Map**

#### http://debategraph.org/

Debategraph helps groups collaborate in thinking through complex issues by building and sharing interactive maps of domains of knowledge from multiple perspectives. Their public service goal is to make the best arguments on all sides of any public debate freely available to all and continuously open to challenge and improvement by all. Debategraph is a wwiki debate visualization tool that lets you: a) map the strongest case on any issue that matters to you; b) openly engage and learn from opposing views in a transparent, multi-perspective dialogue; c) create and reshape maps of the conversation as it develops,



make new points, rate and filter the arguments; d) keep track of the maps via email and RSS feeds; and, e) share and embed the maps around the web.

# Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013 LLRX Feature Article and Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013 White Paper

http://zillman.blogspot.com/2012/12/llrx-deep-web-research-and-discovery.html http://www.DeepWeb.us/

Deep Web Research Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest deep web resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source. It is divided into the following sections: a) Articles, Papers, Forums, Audios and Videos; b) Cross Database Articles; c) Cross Database Search Services; d) Cross Database Search Tools; e) Peer to Peer, File Sharing, Grid and Matrix Search Engines Presentations; f) Resources - Deep Web Research; g) Resources - Semantic Web Research; and h) Current Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs

# DemocracyMap - Database of Government Jurisdictions/Entities, Their Websites, and Elected Officials Contact Information

http://pages.e-democracy.org/DemocracyMap

Plan and build a universal, free, open, shared and continuously updated database of government jurisdictions/entities, their websites, and over time add elected official contact information. In the United States there are approximately 30,000 government jurisdictions. There is no official database of the websites tied to each jurisdiction be it a city, school district, or some relatively obscure special district. Business.Gov, an effort of the Small Business Administration, recently released an API with 8,000 or so city and county websites raising interest across many organizations in how to to cover ALL government organizations. Once collecting and maintaining a directory of all government jurisdiction web addresses and a way to find your jurisdiction by entering a street address or by using a map is addressed, then deepening data collection to elected officials and all government owned or funded websites will be explored.

# **Econbrowser - Analysis of Current Economic Conditions and Policy** http://econbrowser.com/

The Econbrowser analyses current economic conditions and policies and is written by James D. Hamilton, Professor of Economics at the University of California, SanDiego; and Menzie Chinn, Professor of Public Affairs and Economics at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

#### **Economic and Financial Crisis Resources**

http://guides.library.msstate.edu/economic\_crisis

This guide is a comprehensive resource to the current economic and financial crisis from the Mississippi State University Library LibGuide.



#### **Economic Recovery**

### http://www.EconomicRecovery.gov/

EconomicRecovery.gov is a resource for the American people to find help to keep their homes, find jobs and protect their savings.

### **Economics Search Engine**

### http://ese.rfe.org/

ESE uses a beta version of Google Custom Search Engine to search over 23,000 economics websites and utilizes yolink to mine results and retrieve actionable, keyword-rich content. Results can saved to Google Docs, bookmarked or shared via major social networks. Each site is certified by RFE, which is run by economists from RePec Author Services and EDIRC.

# **EconomyWatch.com - Largest Online Economics Community in the World** http://www.economywatch.com/

EconomyWatch.com is the largest online economics community in the world. Every month, close to one million users come to the site, read their newsletters, come to their Facebook page or follow them on Twitter. Since their beginnings as a small portal in 1999, they have become a trusted reference source, cited by everyone from the World Bank to the Economics Network of academics in the UK, and from the BBC to the Huffington Post. On EconomyWatch.com, you will find a comprehensive mix of news, analysis, reference, articles, data, charts and tools. These have been provided both by their core team, by freelance contributors, and by members of our extended community

# eFinancialBot.com – Your Global Financial Search Engine http://www.eFinancialBot.com/

eFinancialBot.com - Your Global Search Engine for Financial Resources searches 74+ selected financial meta search engines over the Internet and is powered by Google. It has been created by Internet expert and guru Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. and utilized the sources and resources of the Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs of the Virtual Private Library.

#### **eGovernment Interest Group (eGov IG)**

http://www.w3.org/2007/eGov/IG/wiki/Main\_Page

The mission of the eGovernment Interest Group (eGov IG) is to explore how to improve access to government through better use of the Web and achieve better government transparency using open Web standards at any government level (local, state, national and multi-national). The eGov IG is designed as a forum to support researchers, developers, solution providers, and users of government services that use the Web as the delivery channel, and enable broader collaboration across eGov practitioners.



# eGovMon - Methodology and Software for Quality Evaluation of eGovernment Web Services

### http://www.egovmon.no/en/

The eGovMon project is developing methodology and software for quality evaluation of web services, in particular eGovernment services, concerning four areas: a) Accessibility, b) Transparency, c) Efficiency, d) Impact.

# eHealthcareBot.com – Search Engines for Healthcare Resources http://www.eHealthcareBot.com/

Searches selected healthcare resources and sources taken from various Subject Tracers and resources from the Virtual Private Library. Created and compiled by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. . Currently over 144 healthcare meta search engines and resources are accessed simultaneously.

# Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog

http://www.EntrepreneurialResources.info/

Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest entrepreneurial resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

# ET.gov - Emerging Technology

http://et.gov/

The purpose of this site and process is to facilitate the identification, discovery, and formation of communities of practice (CoPs) around emerging technology (ET) components and specifications of interest to government agencies. The process consists of eight stages.

#### Ethics.Data.gov

https://explore.data.gov/ethics/

Ethics.Data.gov brings records and data from across the federal government to one central location, making it easier for citizens to hold public officials accountable. Enter a name and see every record of that person across the entire collection of ethics data—including campaign finance, lobbying, and White House visitor records. Ethics.Data.gov brings together datasets from across the government to help citizens easily access this information, empowering Americans to hold government accountable.

# **EveryBlock - Geographic Filter Newsfeed of Your Neighborhood**

http://www.everyblock.com/

EveryBlock filters an assortment of local news by location so you can keep track of what's happening on your block, in your neighborhood and all over your city. For a long time, that's been a tough question to answer. In dense, bustling cities like Chicago, New York and San Francisco, the number of daily media reports, government proceedings and local Internet conversations is staggering. Every day, a wealth of local information is created — officials inspect restaurants, journalists cover fires and Web users post



photographs — but who has time to sort through all of that? Their mission at EveryBlock is to solve that problem. They aim to collect all of the news and civic goings-on that have happened recently in your city, and make it simple for you to keep track of news in particular areas. They are a geographic filter — a "news feed" for your neighborhood, or, yes, even your block.

### **Federal Business Opportunities**

https://www.fbo.gov/

Federal Business Opportunities is the United States Government's one-stop virtual marketplace. Through this single point-of-entry, commercial vendors and government buyers are invited to post, search, monitor, and retrieve opportunities solicited by the entire Federal contracting community.

#### Federal IT Dashboard

http://it.usaspending.gov/

The IT Dashboard provides the public with an online window into the details of Federal information technology investments and provides users with the ability to track the progress of investments over time. The IT Dashboard displays data received from agency reports to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), including general information on over 7,000 Federal IT investments and detailed data for nearly 800 of those investments that agencies classify as "major." The performance data used to track the 800 major IT investments is based on milestone information displayed in agency reports to OMB called "Exhibit 300s." Agency CIOs are responsible for evaluating and updating select data on a monthly basis, which is accomplished through interfaces provided on the website.

# Federal Register - Daily Journal of the United States Government https://www.federalregister.gov/

The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), and the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) jointly administer the FederalRegister.gov website. The OFR/GPO partnership is developing an unofficial XML-based edition of the daily Federal Register on this site. In this edition, Federal Register documents are organized and displayed in an easier to read format; they have also added various web tools and user aids designed to help people find material relevant to their interests.

#### FedSpending.org - A Project of OMB Watch

http://www.fedspending.org/

The purpose of the FedSpending.org database is to give journalists, analysts, government officials, and regular citizens easy access to information on federal spending. Broader access to this information should foster the development of a better informed, active citizenry that has more power to hold elected officials accountable. FedSpending.org is limited to information contained within the <u>FPDS</u> and <u>FAADS</u> government databases (See <a href="here">here</a> for data that is not included on FedSpending.org).



### FedThread - Interacting With the Federal Register

http://www.fedthread.org/

FedThread is a new way of interacting with the Federal Register. FedThread gives you: a) collaborative annotation: Attach a note to any paragraph of the Federal Register; start a conversation; b) advanced search: Search the Federal Register (back to 2000) on full text, by date, agency, or other fields; and c) customized feeds: Turn any search into an RSS or email feed; FedThread notifies you when new items match your search query. The Federal Register tells you what your government is doing, in a lot more detail than you get from the news media. FedThread is possible because of the government's new XML-format Federal Register, a milestone in technology-based civic engagement that lets citizens create new services that in turn provide value back to government.

### Financial Markets and Portfolio Management (FMPM)

http://www.fmpm.org/

The official publication of the Swiss Financial Analysts Association, Financial Markets and Portfolio Management (FMPM) addresses all areas of finance, concentrating on financial markets, portfolio theory and wealth management, asset pricing, risk management, and regulation. The journal serves as a bridge between innovative research and its practical applications. FMPM publishes academic and applied research articles, shorter "Perspectives," book reviews, and survey articles dedicated to current topics of interest to the financial community.

# Financial Sources Subject Tracer™ Information Blog

http://www.FinancialSources.info/

Financial Sources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest financial resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

# FinancialStability.gov - Comprehensive Financial Stability Plan and Related Resources

http://www.FinancialStability.gov/

This site displays all the information related to the comprehensive financial stability plan from the United States Government initially issued on February 10, 2009. This site will be the starting point for transparency of all financial stability resources and sources being developed and implemented by the United States Government Department of Treasury. The Financial Stability Plan Fact Sheet is available by clicking <a href="here">here</a>. [7 pages .pdf 71.5KB]

# Find and Compare the Best American Recovery & Investment Act - Find, Compare and Decide

http://recovery-and-reinvestment-act.findthebest.com//

FindTheBest's American Recovery & Reinvestment Act App organizes grant, loan and contract recipients of the recovery program by several filters including Recipient Name, Project City, Project Name, Project Status, Funding Agency Name, Award Type, Award



Amount, Jobs Reportedly Created, Cost/Job and Total ARRA Received. For quick sorting, just click on any category to list recipients by that feature. If you want to sort by city, click on the Project City filter for an alphabetical list of the project cities.

#### **FOIAonline - Freedom of Information Act Online**

https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) gives you the right to access information from federal agencies. FOIAonline allows you to submit FOIA requests to all participating agencies from this website, track the status of requests, search for requests submitted by others, and generate up-to-the-minute reports on FOIA processing. FOIAonline participating agencies include: the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Commerce (except the US Patent and Trademark Office), Office of General Counsel of the National Archives and Records Administration, Merit Systems Protection Board, Federal Labor Relations Authority, and the Department of the Treasury's Departmental Offices (headquarters), Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), and United States Mint. Please note that the Internal Revenue Service, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration are not participating in FOIAonline. Moreover, Treasury only participates in FOIAonline to the extent of allowing submission of requests; Treasury manages processing in a separate system. A chart provides further details on the information available in FOIAonline by participating agency. Requests under the Privacy Act must be sent directly to the appropriate agency.

### **Follow the Unlimited Money - Super PACS**

http://reporting.sunlightfoundation.com/outside-spending/super-pacs/

This resource shows all independent expenditure-only committees--better known as super PACS--that have raised at least \$10,000 since the beginning of 2011. Click on the FEC filings links to see the original filings on the Federal Election Commission's web site. Click on each super PAC's name in the left column to see breakdowns of their spending, including aggregate amounts spent supporting or opposing individual candidates, and a chronological list of all their individual independent expenditure filings with the Federal Election Commission.

# FORA.tv - Videos On People, Issues and Ideas Changing the Planet http://fora.tv/

FORA.tv helps intelligent, engaged audiences get smart. Their users find, enjoy, and share videos about the people, issues, and ideas changing the world. They gather the web's largest collection of unmediated video drawn from live events, lectures, and debates going on all the time at the world's top universities, think tanks and conferences. They present this provocative, big-idea content for anyone to watch, interact with, and share --when, where, and how they want. With their community of savvy users and an extensive, growing library of smart videos, FORA.tv is at the forefront of the ongoing integration - and transformation – of the traditional media, TV, cable, and online



industries from mass-market to high-quality, high-value content. FORA.tv was founded in 2005 and is funded by a select group of investors including William R. Hearst III and Adobe Ventures.

#### **Free Government Information (FGI)**

### http://freegovinfo.info/

Free Government Information (FGI) is a place for initiating dialogue and building consensus among the various players (libraries, government agencies, non-profit organizations, researchers, journalists, etc.) who have a stake in the preservation of and perpetual free access to government information. FGI promotes free government information through collaboration, education, advocacy and research.

#### **GovFresh - Government 2.0**

### http://govfresh.com/

GovFresh is a live feed of official news from U.S. Government Twitter, YouTube, RSS, Facebook, Flickr accounts and more, all in one place.

# GovLuv - Connects Government Representatives and Citzens Via Twitter <a href="http://govluv.org/">http://govluv.org/</a>

GovLuv is a project of Act.ly and the Open Forum Foundation. It is a website that connects government representatives and citizens using the magical power of Twitter. It aggregates what representatives are tweeting with what everyone else is tweeting to them, and about them. They aim to make the myriad interwoven conversations that are already happening in the political space on Twitter both useful and discernable.

### govpulse - The Federal Register At Your Fingertips

### http://www.govpulse.us/

Each day agencies release hundreds of proposed rules and regulations, meeting notices, final rules, and changes to existing rules in the form of the Federal Register. However in their current format they are difficult to find and to process in meaningful ways. GovPulse was built to address this problem and open the doors of government to the people they work for. By making such documents as the Federal Register searchable, more accessible and easier to digest, GovPulse seeks to encourage every citizen to become more involved in the workings of their government and make their voice heard on the things that matter to them, from the smallest to the largest issues.

#### **GovTrack.us - Tracking the U.S. Congress**

### http://www.govtrack.us/

GovTrack.us is an independent tool to help the public research and track the activities in the U.S. Congress, promoting government transparency and civic education through novel uses of technology. You'll find here the status of U.S. federal legislation, voting records in the Senate and House of Representatives, and information on Members of Congress, as well as congressional committees and the Congressional Record. The site is



a research tool, but also a (totally free) tracking service. Pick up Trackers throughout the site to make a personalized feed or get email updates.

### **GovTwit - The Government Twitter Directory**

http://govtwit.com/

This website hosts the world's largest list of government agencies on Twitter, tracking state/local, federal, contractors, media, academics, non-profits and government outside of the U.S.

### **GPO's Federal Digital System Search (FDsys)**

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/home.action

GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys) provides public access to Government information submitted by Congress and Federal agencies and preserved as technology changes. GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys) is an advanced digital system that will enable GPO to manage Government information from all three branches of the U.S. Government. FDsys is available as a public beta during migration of information from GPO Access. The migration of information from GPO Access into FDsys will be complete in 2009, until this time GPO Access will contain all content.

### **Grant Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog**

http://www.GrantResources.info/

Grant Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest grant resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

#### **Guide to the Global Economy**

http://www.theglobaleconomy.com/

This website can be used by college, Masters and high school students with some or no economics background. In fact, that is one of their objectives: to make knowledge of the global economy accessible to non-experts. Also, the website can be used in the U.S. and internationally which fits with our second objective: to make this knowledge available to anyone anywhere. They use data provided by the World Bank to show the main economic indicators of all countries. Each indicator is presented in comparison to several other countries and in terms of changes over time. They discuss the definitions of the various indicators and provide information about the ways in which one can interpret them.

#### i360Gov - Federal Government News

http://www.i360gov.com/

i360Gov provides government business and technology leaders with important federal government news and analysis regarding government's largest and most important initiatives in an interactive, online environment. Comprised of six topic-specific news channels each functioning as its own web site, the i360Gov network delivers daily federal government news and analysis pertaining to the following topics: a) Policy and Business,



b) Information Technology, c) State and Local Government, d) Defense/Intelligence, e) Healthcare Poicy and IT, and f) Energy Policy and Technology.

### **Influence Explorer**

http://influenceexplorer.com/

Influence Explorer is a project of Sunlight Labs, the technology arm of the Sunlight Foundation. Our data is provided by the Center for Responsive Politics, the National Institute for Money in State Politics, Taxpayers for Common Sense, the Project On Government Oversight, the EPA and USASpending.gov. For more information on how we use this data, see our campaign finance, lobbying, lobbyist bundling, earmarks, federal spending and EPA ECHO methodology pages. Influence Explorer provides an overview of campaign finance, lobbying, earmark, contractor misconduct and federal spending data. To search the underlying records or download the data in bulk, visit the Data section of Influence Explorer.

### **International Monetary Fund Alerts**

https://www.imf.org/external/cntpst/index.aspx

Sign up to receive free e-mail notices when new series and/or country items are posted on the IMF website.

#### **Internet Alerts**

http://www.InternetAlerts.info/

InternetAlerts.info is a Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog from The <u>Virtual Private</u> <u>Library</u>. It is designed to bring together the latest resources and sources on an ongoing basis from the Internet covering alerts.

### Intrapreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog

http://www.IntrapreneurialResources.info/

Intrapreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest intrapreneurial resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

#### LegiStorm - Transparency's Sidekick

http://www.legistorm.com/

LegiStorm helps bring transparency to the U.S. Congress by disseminating public documents and nonpartisan information over the web. Based on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, LegiStorm's first information product was a database of congressional staff salaries but we have now added other valuable information, such as the most comprehensive database of all privately financed trips taken by members of Congress and congressional staffers. The information is provided in a strictly factual, non-partisan fashion. They have no political affiliations and no political purpose except to make the workings of Congress as transparent as possible. They expect this resource to be useful to journalists, researchers, lobbyists and current and would-be staffers - as well as regular



citizens who simply want to know how their representatives spend public money. You can be sure that there are more such legislative resources to come from LegiStorm.

# **LittleSis - Free Database Detailing Connections Between Powerful People and Organizations**

### http://littlesis.org/

LittleSis is a free database detailing the connections between powerful people and organizations. They bring transparency to influential social networks by tracking the key relationships of politicians, business leaders, lobbyists, financiers, and their affiliated institutions. All of this information is public, but scattered. They bring it together in one place. Their data derives from government filings, news articles, and other reputable sources. Some data sets are updated automatically; the rest is filled in by their user community.

# MAPLight - U.S. Congress Campaign Contributions and Voting Database http://maplight.org/

MAPLight.org, a groundbreaking public database, with offices located in Berkeley, California, illuminates the connection between campaign donations and legislative votes in unprecedented ways. Elected United States officials collect large sums of money to run their campaigns, and they often pay back campaign contributors with special access and favorable laws. This common practice is contrary to the public interest, yet legal. MAPLight.org makes money/vote connections transparent, to help citizens hold their legislators accountable. MAPLight.org combines three data sets: a) Bill texts and legislative voting records; b) Supporting and opposing interests for each bill; and c) Campaign contribution data from the Center for Responsive Politics and the National Institute on Money in State Politics. Combining this data makes visible key information that could never before be determined easily.

### **Metagovernment Project**

### http://www.metagovernment.org/wiki/Main Page

The mission of the Metagovernment project is to support the development and use of Internet tools which enable the members of any community to fully participate in the governance of that community. They are a global group of people working on various projects which further this goal. They expect governance software to be adopted first in small communities, and then to spread outward with the potential to gradually replace many institutions of representative democracy with a new kind of social organization called collaborative governance. They conceive a world where every person, without exception, is able to substantively participate in any governance structure in which they have an interest. They envision governance which is not only more open, free, and democratic; but also which is more effective and less fallible than pre-Internet forms of governance.



### Microsoft Public Sector Idea Bank - Gov 2.0 Ready

http://publicsectorondemand.com/

Microsoft Public Sector Idea Bank is a portal that showcases the Public Sector On-Demand Solutions their Partners have successfully built, using and customizing Microsoft Dynamics CRM. Not only will you be able to learn about and purchase these solutions, you will have the chance to: a) Interact with other Public Sector Professionals; b) Discover and learn about new solutions; c) Share your own ideas with the community; and d) Promote ideas you think should be developed. It's all about Public Sector Professionals, it's a relevant forum that puts a laser focus on the industry, and it's a place where you can collaborate and see your ideas come into fruition!

#### **Mobile Government**

http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/101571

Mobile technology is changing the way people find and use information and services. How does government interact with the public in this anytime, anywhere world? This Making Mobile Gov Project is helping agencies work together to make a more open, innovative government to meet 21st century citizen expectations.

# **MuckRock - Government Tool Powered by State and Federal Freedom of Information Laws**

http://www.muckrock.com/

MuckRock is an open government tool powered by state and federal Freedom of Information laws, a generous grant from the Sunlight Foundation, and you. They make tools to keep our government transparent and accountable. Requests are based on your questions, concerns and passions, and you are free to embed, share and write about any of the verified government documents hosted there.

#### National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)

http://www.nber.org/

Founded in 1920, the National Bureau of Economic Research is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan research organization dedicated to promoting a greater understanding of how the economy works. The NBER is committed to undertaking and disseminating unbiased economic research among public policymakers, business professionals, and the academic community. Over the years the Bureau's research agenda has encompassed a wide variety of issues that confront our society. The Bureau's early research focused on the aggregate economy, examining in detail the business cycle and long-term economic growth. Simon Kuznets' pioneering work on national income accounting, Wesley Mitchell's influential study of the business cycle, and Milton Friedman's research on the demand for money and the determinants of consumer spending were among the early studies done at the NBER. The NBER is the nation's leading nonprofit economic research organization. Sixteen of the 31 American Nobel Prize winners in Economics and six of the past Chairmen of the President's Council of Economic Advisers have been researchers at the NBER. The more than 1,000 professors of economics and business now teaching at universities around the country who are NBER researchers are the leading scholars in



their fields. These Bureau associates concentrate on four types of empirical research: developing new statistical measurements, estimating quantitative models of economic behavior, assessing the effects of public policies on the U.S. economy, and projecting the effects of alternative policy proposals.

# NationBuilder - The Essential Toolkit for a New Generation of Leaders and Creators

### http://nationbuilder.com/

NationBuilder provides both a website and a CRM in one integrated service designed specifically for organizing communities. It's especially useful for political campaigns and non-profits who used to have to pay thousands of dollars for outdated tools and the techies required to keep it all working. It's also useful for anyone organizing a community -- online or offline -- from PTAs to sports fan sites. The Internet makes it possible for independent leaders and creators to build their own base of support outside the traditional gatekeepers like political parties, publishing houses, film studios, etc.

### **New Economy Analytics, Resources and Alerts**

http://www.NewEconomyAnalytics.com/

New Economy Analytics, Resources and Alerts Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest new economy analytics, resources and alerts available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

# NextGov.com - Technology and the Business of Government http://www.nextgov.com/

Nextgov.com is part of the National Journal Group Inc. and the Atlantic Media Company. It is a spin off of Government Executive.com and provides coverage and commentary on the management of information technology in the federal government. From time to time, Nextgov and Government Executive.com will share content and collaborate on features and events. Nextgov.com provides news, interaction and research for government and contractor executives and managers in the information technology community. Their readers are high-ranking civilian and military officials who are responsible for providing IT support to those who defend the nation and carry out the many laws that define the government's role in our economy and society. Nextgov.com's essential editorial mission is to cover the IT and business processes that the federal government deploys to meet agency missions – dozens of which dwarf the largest institutions in the private sector. They aspire to serve the people who manage these huge agencies and programs in much the way that large consumer and business-to-business technology magazines serve private-sector managers.

#### **NYC Stimulus Tracker**

http://www.nyc.gov/html/ops/nycstim/html/tracker/tracker.shtml

With the NYCStat Stimulus Tracker, New Yorkers can track the City's use of federal stimulus/recovery funds provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act



of 2009 (ARRA). This funding includes federal tax cuts, expansion of unemployment benefits and other social welfare provisions, and domestic spending in education, health care, energy efficiency and infrastructure. The stimulus money for New York City will be used to ensure continued vital City services, provide assistance to New Yorkers in need, and stimulate the City's economy.

#### **OECD**direct

http://www.oecd.org/document/0,3343,en\_2649\_201185\_2699446\_1\_1\_1\_1,00.html

A free and time-saving e-mail alert service. Once you've selected the themes that interest you, choose to receive personalised e-mails announcing new publications, statistics updates and free newsletters related to your topics of interest.

### Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/

OMB's predominant mission is to assist the President in overseeing the preparation of the federal budget and to supervise its administration in Executive Branch agencies. In helping to formulate the President's spending plans, OMB evaluates the effectiveness of agency programs, policies, and procedures, assesses competing funding demands among agencies, and sets funding priorities. OMB ensures that agency reports, rules, testimony, and proposed legislation are consistent with the President's Budget and with Administration policies. In addition, OMB oversees and coordinates the Administration's procurement, financial management, information, and regulatory policies. In each of these areas, OMB's role is to help improve administrative management, to develop better performance measures and coordinating mechanisms, and to reduce any unnecessary burdens on the public.

# OhMyGov - Tracking the Influence of the Nation's Most Influential <a href="http://mediamonitoring.ohmygov.com/">http://mediamonitoring.ohmygov.com/</a>

Dig into the social conversations making news and impacting policy. OhMyGov is your government & politics data powerhouse. Monitoring over 50,000 news sites, Facebook, Twitter, and 20,000 politicians and government agencies at the federal, state and local level. Features include: a) Measure and report the effectiveness of your communications; b) Benchmark performance against peers or competitors; c) Track what the media and public is saying about an agency or politician; and d) Monitor how agencies and politicians are reacting to events or talking about issues.

# Open 311 - Collaborative Model and Open Standard for Civic Issue Tracking $\underline{\text{http://open311.org/}}$

Currently, the most developed function of Open311 technologies is to report and track non-emergency issues in public spaces. Common issues include potholes, broken streetlights, garbage, vandalism, and other problems that compromise public spaces and infrastructure. Using a mobile device or a computer, someone can enter information (ideally with a photo) about a problem at a given location. This report is then routed to the relevant authority to address the problem. What's different from a traditional 311



report is that this information is available for anyone to see and it allows anyone to contribute more information. By enabling collaboration on these issues, the open model makes it easier to collect and organize more information about important problems. By making the information public, it provides transparency and accountability for those responsible for the problem. Transparency also ensures that everyone's voice is heard and in-turn encourages more participation.

# OpenCongress - Track Bills, Votes, Senators, and Representatives in the U.S. Congress

http://www.opencongress.org/

OpenCongress brings together official government data with news coverage, blog posts, comments, and more to give you the real story behind what's happening in Congress. Small groups of political insiders and lobbyists already know what's really going on in Congress. They think everyone should be an insider. OpenCongress is a free, open-source, non-profit, and non-partisan web resource with a mission to make Congress more transparent and to encourage civic engagement. OpenCongress is a joint project of the Sunlight Foundation and the Participatory Politics Foundation.

# Open CRS Network - Congressional Research Reports for the People <a href="http://opencrs.com/">http://opencrs.com/</a>

American taxpayers spend over \$100 million a year to fund the Congressional Research Service, a "think tank" that provides reports to members of Congress on a variety of topics relevant to current political events. Yet, these reports are not made available to the public in a way that they can be easily obtained. A project of the Center for Democracy & Technology through the cooperation of several organizations and collectors of CRS Reports, Open CRS provides citizens access to CRS Reports already in the public domain and encourages Congress to provide public access to all CRS Reports.

#### **Open Government Guide**

http://www.rcfp.org/ogg/

The Open Government Guide is a complete compendium of information on every state's open records and open meetings laws. Each state's section is arranged according to a standard outline, making it easy to compare laws in various states.

# OpeningParliament.org - Opening, Monitoring and Supporting the World's Parliaments and Legislative Institutions

http://www.openingparliament.org/

OpeningParliament.org is a forum intended to help connect the world's civic organizations engaged in monitoring, supporting and opening up their countries' parliaments and legislative institutions. Parliamentary monitoring organizations (PMOs) are working to create strong, open and accountable parliaments, through enhancing citizen participation in the legislative process and bringing parliaments closer to the people they represent. OpeningParliament.org provides a forum for international collaboration on efforts to improve access to parliamentary information and share



experiences and good practices among PMOs. It also serves as the home of the Declaration on Parliamentary Openness, a set of shared principles on the openness, transparency and accessibility of parliaments developed by the international PMO community. The Declaration On Parliamentary Openness is available by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.

# **OpenPlans - Open Government and Livable Streets**

### http://openplans.org/

At OpenPlans, they think cities can work better. They think it should be easier for public agencies in one place to adopt good ideas and good software from other places. They think opening up data and inviting citizens into the civic process is a good thing. And they are helping make it happen. OpenPlans is a non-profit technology organization focused on open government and livable streets. They build open source software. They help agencies open up their data. They report on urban issues.

# OpenSecrets - Money in Politics - See Who Is Giving and Who Is Getting http://www.opensecrets.org/

OpenSecrets.org is your nonpartisan guide to money's influence on U.S. elections and public policy. Whether you're a voter, journalist, activist, student or interested citizen, use their free site to shine light on your government. Count cash and make change.

### Open Up Government Data - Wired HowTo Wiki

http://howto.wired.com/wiki/Open\_Up\_Government\_Data

A how to wiki by Wired Magazine on opening up government data. This wiki analyzes the problem, delineates solutions and offers areas of involvement as well as highlights the government datasets .. the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly. Constantly kept up to date with the latest developments and requirements to open up government data. Data.Gov is coming and lets help build it!

### **Performance.Gov - Driving Federal Performance**

http://performance.gov/

Responding to the President's challenge to cut waste, save money, and better serve the American people, Performance.gov provides a window on the Obama Administration's approach to improving performance and accountability. Performance.gov shows progress on the Administration's efforts to create a government that is more effective, efficient, innovative, and responsive. Reforming how Washington works is an ongoing effort that demands vigilance and leadership.

### Poligraft

http://poligraft.com/

Feed in a news article, blog post or press release, and Poligraft will present you with an enhanced view of the interconnections between the people, organizations and relationships described in the piece.



# POPVOX - Bridges the Gap Between Public Wants and Congress Want and Need to Receive

### https://www.popvox.com/

POPVOX bridges the gap between the input the public wants to provide and the information Members of Congress want and need to receive. Constituent communications are flooding and overwhelming Congressional offices. POPVOX verifies, aggregates, and simplifies communication with Congress on an open and trusted (and nonpartisan) common ground. Advocacy organizations, trade associations, unions and other groups send their members to POPVOX to take action on bills pending before Congress.

# **Publications.USA.gov - United States Publications**

### http://publications.usa.gov/

For more than 40 years, the Federal Citizen Information Center (FCIC) has been a trusted one-stop source for answers to questions about consumer problems and government services. FCIC, part of the General Services Administration's Office of Citizen Services and Innovative Technologies, has traditionally provided publications to consumers via the publications distribution center in Pueblo, Colorado. The Pueblo.GSA.gov website was where consumers could go to find information and order publications on a variety of topics from the federal government. Publications.USA.gov replaces the former Pueblo.GSA.gov. The new site provides better navigation; search; shopping experience; and now some of your favorite publications in popular e-reader formats. Additionally, they will use social media channels to keep you informed of new publications.

### **RAND Corporation - Congressional Resources**

### http://www.rand.org/congress/

RAND informs policymakers with research and analysis that is relevant to current Congressional agendas, providing knowledge that is trusted for its objectivity, comprehensiveness, and enduring value.

# **Recovery.org - Economic Recovery Package Information**

# http://www.Recovery.org/

This site is currently in BETA but will soon provide real-time data, maps, and graphs detailing the spending activity associated with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Onvia tracks "every dime" of spending by Federal, State and Local government agencies, and Recovery.com will allow you to explore these activities in great detail by State, by Congressional District, and by Community. Whether you are a business looking to secure projects funded by stimulus dollars or a taxpayer who wants to know how your government is spending your money in your community, Onvia will present you with the most comprehensive, real-time view of this information.

#### **Recovery.gov - Monitoring New World Government Spending**

#### http://www.Recovery.gov/

Monitor the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to see how and where your tax dollars are spent. Recovery.gov is a website that lets you, the taxpayer, figure out where



the money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act is going. There are going to be a few different ways to search for information. The money is being distributed by Federal agencies, and soon you'll be able to see where it's going -- to which states, to which congressional districts, even to which Federal contractors. As soon as they are able to, they will display that information visually in maps, charts, and graphics. An oversight board will routinely update this site as part of an unprecedented effort to root out waste, inefficiency, and unnecessary spending in our government.

### **Regulations.gov - Search**

http://www.regulations.gov/

Regulations.gov is your source for all regulations (or rulemakings) issued by U.S. government agencies. On this site, you can find: a) All Federal regulations that are open for public comment (i.e., proposed rules) and closed for comment (i.e., final rules) as published in the Federal Register; b) Many Federal agency notices published in the Federal Register; and c) Additional supporting materials, public comments, and Federal agency guidance and adjudications. When you find a document, you can also submit comments through the web site on those documents that are open for public comment. After Congressional bills become laws, Federal Departments and Agencies are responsible for enforcing those laws through regulations. Departments and Agencies develop regulations through the Federal rulemaking process, most commonly through a notice-and-comment process. In general, Departments and Agencies publish proposed rules that are open for public comment, and after a specified timeframe, the Department or Agency publishes a final rule based on public comments and other information. Regulations.gov users can find Federal proposed and final rules published every business day by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in the U.S. government's Federal Register, and submit comments through the web site to the Agencies on proposed rules that are open for public comment. The Regulations.gov web site also houses other types of federal information. In addition to Federal regulations, many Departments and Agencies use Regulations.gov to post other types of documents open for public comment, such as Agency significant guidance. Certain Federal agencies also allow the public to initiate an action by filing a submission via Regulations.gov.

# **RFE:** Resources for Economists on the Internet

http://rfe.org/

This guide is sponsored by the American Economic Association. It lists more than 2,000 resources in 97 sections and sub-sections available on the Internet of interest to academic and practicing economists, and those interested in economics. Almost all resources are also described.

# Scout - Get Alerts When Congress or Your State Capitol Talks About Issues You Care About

http://scout.sunlightfoundation.com/

Scout is a free service that provides daily insight to how our laws and regulations are shaped in Washington, DC and our state capitols. These days, you can receive electronic



alerts to know when a company is in the news, when a TV show is scheduled to air or when a sports team wins. Now, you can also be alerted when our elected officials take action on an issue you care about. Scout allows anyone to subscribe to customized email or text alerts on what Congress is doing around an issue or a specific bill, as well as bills in the state legislature and federal regulations. Researchers can use Scout to see when Congress talks about an issue over time.

# SeeClickFix - Report Non-Emergency Issues and Receive Alerts in Your Neighborhood

http://www.seeclickfix.com/

SeeClickFix allows anyone to report and track non-emergency issues anywhere in the world via the internet. This empowers citizens, community groups, media organizations and governments to take care of and improve their neighborhoods.

# Show Us the Data - The Most Wanted Federal Government Documents <a href="http://www.showusthedata.org/">http://www.showusthedata.org/</a>

Is the federal government putting the information you need online? Are there categories of unclassified documents or data that you know exist—on paper or in government computers and databases—that would be of value to the public if posted and regularly updated on an agency's Web site? If so, then help Open The Government and the Center for Democracy and Technology identify the 10 Most Wanted Government Documents, Reports or Data Sets that should be available on the Web. Use this site to tell them what data you want and who has it.

# Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog

http://www.SocialInformatics.net/

Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog constantly monitors the Internet for the latest social networks, communities, resources and sources available and then lists them alphabetically in an ongoing information blog with a direct link to the source.

### Socrata - Social Data Platform

#### http://www.socrata.com/

Socrata is the leading developer and provider of Open Data Services, a category of cloud-based Web 2.0 solutions that enable federal, state, and local governments to dramatically improve the reach, usability and social utility of their public information assets. The Socrata Social Data Platform<sup>TM</sup> is a turnkey information delivery platform that reduces lifecycle management costs for government customers while boosting their ability to disseminate relevant information and data-driven services to a wide range of audiences including citizens, civic application developers, researchers, journalists and internal stakeholders. The cloud-based Socrata platform transforms information assets – tabular data, geospatial data, unstructured content and real-time data from government transactional systems – into a consumption-optimized and socially-enriched experience, that is automatically accessible across multiple channels of interaction, to enhance governments' ability to accomplish their mission at a reduced cost.



### **Stimulus and Recovery Feeds**

### http://isd.ischool.berkeley.edu/stimulus/feeds/feeds.html

Stimulus Feeds is prepared and hosted by the Information and Service Design Program (ISD) of UC Berkeley's School of Information. This is the complete list of feeds currently provided by Agency Recovery Sites themselves. This table groups these feeds by agency, and then by feed type. In addition to these agency-maintained feeds, the Stimulus Feeds site provides feeds for all weekly reports published on recovery.gov (republishing the Excel data as XML and XHTML); these feeds are available in the Scraped Data column. Each of the agency feeds can be tested for validity (i.e., whether it is a correct feed) by simply pressing the validate link following the feed URI.

# Stimulus Watch - Keeping an Eye On the Economic Recovery Spending <a href="http://www.StimulusWatch.org/">http://www.StimulusWatch.org/</a>

StimulusWatch.org was built to to help the new administration keep its pledge to invest stimulus money smartly, and to hold public officials to account for the taxpayer money they spend. We do this by allowing you, citizens around the country with local knowledge about the proposed "shovel-ready" projects in your city, to find, discuss and rate those projects. These projects are not part of the stimulus bill. They are candidates for funding by federal grant programs once the bill passes.

### **SubsidyScope**

### http://subsidyscope.com/

Subsidyscope aims to raise public awareness about the role of federal subsidies in the economy. This new project, launched by The Pew Charitable Trusts, plans to create a searchable database of federal subsidies and publish the data online. Over the next few years, the project will build this subsidy database industry sector by industry sector.

# **Sunlight Labs - Developers and Designers Opening America's Government** http://www.sunlightlabs.com/

Sunlight Labs is part of the Sunlight Foundation a non-profit, non partisan Washington, DC based organization focused on digitization of government data and making tools and websites to make it easily accessible. Sunlight Labs is an open source community of thousands dedicated to using technology to transform government. They focus on transparency- the idea that government can be more effective, more honest, and more accountable when it makes data about its process, operations, and influences available to the public. Their work revolves around opening up government data of all forms. Paid staff of Sunlight Labs are employees of the Sunlight Foundation a 501c(3) non-partisan non-profit organization. The Sunlight Foundation is: a) A think-tank that develops and encourages new policies inside the government to be more transparent and accountable; b) A campaign to engage citizens to change government's transparency policies; c) An investigative organization that uses the data and applications to demonstrate why we need those policies; d) A grant giving institution that gives grants to organizations using technology to further our mission and create community; and e) An open source technology community that revolves around the Sunlight Foundation's core mission.



# The Big Money from Slate - Synthesis of Financial News and Tools <a href="http://www.thebigmoney.com/">http://www.thebigmoney.com/</a>

Through a synthesis of financial news, quick-witted commentary and a compelling set of tools, The Big Money provides a unique perspective and a deeper level of engagement to a smart audience that seeks a greater understanding of today's business issues. Since financial and business writing too often gets lost in minutiae, The Big Money will focus on big topics, issues that affect a wide number of people (as consumers, as homeowners, as economic citizens) and go beyond a simple "buy this stock, sell that fund" approach. The Big Money appeals both to junkies in the field and to more casual readers who might not now read any existing business publication. Readers include: a) Senior executives, b) Business decision makers, c) Affluent, educated, influential consumers, and d) Mainstream users that are seeking more business/financial knowledge and perspective and how it will affect their lives.

# The Economy - Global Economic Crisis Special Coverage and World Market Analysis

http://www.thrall.org/special/economy.html#Global\_Economic\_Crisis

Middletown Thrall Library Special Coverage: The Economy - Global Economic Crisis, News, Statistics, Economic Indicators, Credit, Energy, Food, Housing / Mortgages / Subprime, & Related Resources. This is a comprehensive site created by the Middletown Thrall Library offering continued special coverage on the Global Economic Crisis with World Market Analysis. Additional resources on this Global Economic Crisis are available <a href="here">here</a> as well as the <a href="here">eFinancialBot</a> Global Financial Search Engine.

### The Feed - What Government is Tweeting Now

http://www.nextgov.com/thefeed/

Nextgov has compiled a few dozen official federal twitter feeds in one place. So you can catch up on what any tweeting federal agency is doing in just a few quick clicks.

#### Third Party Websites That Transform Government Data

http://www.opencongress.org/wiki/Third\_Party\_Websites\_That\_Transform\_Government\_Data

This wiki page contains a list of websites generated by third parties that make available raw government information. The categories include: a) Legislative Information (with focus on U.S. Congress); b) Federal Law and Regulations; c) The Courts; d) Money and Influence; e) Freedom of Information Act; f) Political Party Information; g) Business Information; h) Other Useful Websites; i) Other Meta-Lists of Third Party Government Data; and j) International Websites.

# This We Know: Explore U.S. Government Data About Your Community <a href="http://www.thisweknow.org/">http://www.thisweknow.org/</a>

Their mission is to present the information the U.S. government collects about every community. By publishing this data in an easy to understand and consistent manner, they seek to empower citizens to act on what's known. In this first phase of development, they



focused on a handful of nationwide data sets from six different agencies in the data.gov catalog. They picked data sets that each had a spatial component. All the data sets were converted to RDF and loaded into a RDF database that serves as the foundation for this website. Their long-term vision for ThisWeKnow is to model the entire data.gov catalog and make it available to the public using Semantic Web standards as a large-scale online database. ThisWeKnow will provide citizens with a single destination where they can search and browse all the information the government collects.

### **THOMAS** (Library of Congress)

### http://thomas.loc.gov/

THOMAS was launched in January of 1995, at the inception of the 104th Congress. The leadership of the 104th Congress directed the Library of Congress to make federal legislative information freely available to the public. Since that time THOMAS has expanded the scope of its offerings to include the following features and content: a) Bills, Resolutions; b) Activity in Congress; c) Congressional Record; d) Schedules, Calendars; e) Committee Information; f) Presidential Nominations; g) Treaties; and h) Government Resources.

### **TIGER - Tracking Indices for the Global Economic Recovery**

http://www.brookings.edu/reports/2010/05\_economic\_recovery\_prasad.aspx

The new Brookings Institution-Financial Times index is designed to track the global economic recovery across emerging and advanced markets. The index, which covers the G-20 economies, is composed of three types of variable: indicators of real economic activity, such as GDP, imports and exports; financial indicators, such as stock market indices and capitalisation; confidence indicators, both business and consumer. Combined these variables can deliver a snapshot of the world economy and individual economies. Explore the index to gain a picture of how the world economy is bouncing back.

### **Transparency Corps**

#### http://transparencycorps.org/

Transparency Corps is a project of the Sunlight Foundation. Their work is committed to helping citizens, bloggers and journalists be their own government watchdogs, by improving access to existing information, digitizing new information, and by creating new tools and Web sites to enable all of us to collaborate in fostering greater transparency. Transparency Corps allows anyone anywhere to have a positive impact on making our government more transparent by aggregating small actions that require human intelligence but not specialized political knowledge. TransparencyCorps is open source software, licensed under the MIT Open Source license.

### **Transparency Data**

#### http://transparencydata.com/

Transparency Data is a central source for federal lobbying disclosure, federal grants and contracts, earmarks and federal and state campaign contributions. Here you can begin your search, find the information you need, and then download records of what a



candidate has received, what an individual has given, how much an organization has spent on lobbying, and many other queries.

### **Transparency Project - Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)**

https://www.eff.org/issues/transparency

Knowing "what the government is up to" is often the first step in ensuring that the government respects the civil liberties of its citizens. Transparency is especially important given the government's increasingly secretive use of new technologies for law enforcement and national security purposes. From cell phone location tracking, the use of surveillance drones, secret interpretations of electronic surveillance law, and the expanding use of biometrics, EFF wants to hold the government accountable and uphold your digital rights. To that aim, EFF's Transparency Project is dedicated to using federal and state freedom of information laws, the courtroom, and their megaphone to shine light on government activities. While emerging technologies give the government new tools that threaten citizen civil liberties, technology also has the potential to create a more democratic relationship between public institutions and the citizens they serve.

### **TweetCongress**

http://tweetcongress.org/

We the Tweeple of the United States, in order to form a more perfect government, establish communication, and promote transparency do hereby tweet the Congress of the United States of America. This site is a grass-roots effort to get our men and women in Congress to open up and have a real conversation with us. Powered by: a) Twitter, b) Sunlight Labs, c) TwitterCounter, and d) Ruby on Rails.

#### Twitter Fan Wiki - U.S. Government

http://twitter.pbworks.com/USGovernment

This page includes people and agencies of the U.S. government, organized according to the executive branch, legislative branch, and related sections.

#### **UK Government Open Data Site**

http://data.gov.uk/

The UK Government's open data website, data.gov.uk, developed with the help of Tim Berners-Lee (W3C Director) and John Sheridan (Linked Data Lead for data.gov.uk and co-Chair of the W3C eGovernment Interest Group). Like data.gov in the United States, the UK site reflects a growing awareness inside and outside of government that standards-based open data is a key enabler of government services and a building block for new information services across government and industry. Additionally, this new site showcases Semantic Web and Linked Data technologies.

#### **USAspending.gov - Track USA Spending**

http://www.usaspending.gov/

This is a searchable database of federal government assistance awards and contract awards. You may search by contractor, recipient, state, Congressional district, federal



government agency/department/program, type of product or service. Data from FY 2000 to present. The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Transparency Act) requires a single searchable website, accessible by the public for free that includes for each Federal award: 1) The name of the entity receiving the award; 2) The amount of the award; 3) Information on the award including transaction type, funding agency, etc; 4) The location of the entity receiving the award; and 5) A unique identifier of the entity receiving the award.

### **U.S. Government RSS Directory**

### http://www.usa.gov/Topics/Reference\_Shelf/Libraries/RSS\_Library.shtml

An extremely comprehensive directory of United States Government RSS feeds for the following areas: 1) Business and Economics RSS Feeds; 2) Consumer RSS Feeds; 3) Defense and International Relations RSS Feeds; 4) Education and Employment RSS Feeds; 5) Environment, Energy, and Agriculture RSS Feeds; 6) Family, Home, and Community RSS Feeds; 7) Health RSS Feeds; 8) Money RSS Feeds; 9) Public Safety and Law RSS Feeds; 10) Reference and General Government RSS Feeds; and 11) Science and Technology RSS Feeds.

#### **Visible Vote**

### http://www.visiblevote.us/

Discover the most powerful way to connect with your legislators today. Download the free app, tell Congress how you feel on any issue, and see how your vote stacks up to theirs. Visible Vote is non-partisan and unbiased service that brings greater transparency and accountability to our representative form of government

# WikiRiver.org - All the News About WikiLeaks In One Place, Updated In Real Time

#### http://www.wikiriver.org/

All the news about WikiLeaks in one place, updated in real time. Programmed by Dave Winer, using the River2 aggregator running in the OPML Editor. Interface design and development by Nicolas Gallagher building on the work shared by Martin Duffy in his jQuery templating tutorial. Collaborative development on the River Of News mail list by Shawn McCollum, Ken Booth, Daniel Bachhuber, Havagan and Martimedia.

#### **World Bank Data**

### http://data.worldbank.org/

The World Bank Group provides free, open, and easy access to its comprehensive set of data on living standards around the globe—some 7,000 indicators, including hundreds that go back 50 years. The data are available in Arabic, French, and Spanish in addition to English.



#### **World Governments Data Sources**

### http://www.guardian.co.uk/world-government-data

Governments around the globe are opening up their data vaults – allowing you to check out the numbers for yourself. This is the Guardian's gateway to that information. Search for government data here from the UK (including London), USA, Australia and New Zealand – and look out for new countries and places as they add them.

## XML Federal Register - Bulk Data and Daily Files

### http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/bulkdata/FR

The White House, U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) and the National Archives' Office of the Federal Register (OFR) achieved a breakthrough in making Government information available and usable by the public. GPO converted the text of the Federal Register (2000-2009) into XML (extensible markup language) and placed it online in numerous Federal Government portals, which include: GPO's Federal Digital System (www.fdsys.gov), The Federal Register Web site (www.federalregister.gov) and the Government's new portal for Government data (www.data.gov). For direct access to Federal Register bulk data files, go to: www.gpo.gov/fdsys/bulkdata/FR. This project began when President Barack Obama challenged Federal agencies to create a more open and transparent Government. The change supplements the official publishing formats with XML, a form of text that can be manipulated in virtually limitless ways with digital applications. For example, people who want to know about the workings of the Executive branch of the Federal Government no longer need to sift through the Federal Register in its traditional Department-by-Department and Agency-by-Agency format. In this new format users can rearrange the Federal Register's contents in personalized ways to match their particular interests. It is now possible, for example, to download the Federal Register and easily see what proposed actions might affect one's community or region, or what actions might have an impact on one's profession or business interests.

### YourEconomy.org (YE)

#### http://youreconomy.org/

YourEconomy.org (YE) is designed to be a practical tool for researchers, business and community leaders, and economic-growth professionals. It provides timely, detailed - yet quick and easy-to-access - information about businesses, agencies and organizations (establishments), and jobs at the national, state, metropolitan (MSA), and county levels. The site also gives policymakers and journalists the benefit of being able to look at regional economies and their business and industry activities in a new way. YourEconomy.org (YE) is a free business census containing 22 million active establishments (over 44 million total) providing unique aggregate information about the performance of businesses through time from a local to a national perspective. YE lets you view businesses through their composition, growth, rankings, and summary graphs showing companies in your community.



# Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Spotters

### **Updated> Online Social Networking**

http://zillman.blogspot.com/2009/08/online-social-networking.html

I have just updated my Internet MiniGuide Annotated Link Compilation white paper titled "Online Social Networking" now a 49 page research paper listing many resources both new and existing that will help anyone who is attempting to find information and knowledge research about online social networks available on the Internet. It is freely available as a .pdf file (352KB) at the above link from the Virtual Private Library<sup>TM</sup> and authored by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. It was updated March 23, 2013. Other white papers are available by clicking here.

# QueryTree - Visualize and Understand Your Data

http://querytreeapp.com/

QueryTree is a tool for exploring and visualizing data. You don't need to be a technical genius, there are no formulas or computer code to write, just drag, drop and connect a few straightforward tools in different combinations to sort, filter, group, join or visualize you data. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Statistics Resources and Big Data Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

## **TRIZ:** Turns Good Engineers into Great Engineers

http://www.triz.co.uk/

Oxford Creativity will show you how to be innovative and solve your problems systematically with TRIZ. We will help you nurture, develop and sustain a culture of creative innovation with your organization. TRIZ (Theory of Inventive Problem Solving)was created by engineers, for engineers (so we can be confident that it works) and it works for everyone. TRIZ is a problem solving toolkit; the principal TRIZ tools direct us to find all the ways of solving a problem, to find new concepts and the routes for developing new products. TRIZ offers systematic innovation; by learning TRIZ and following its rules we can accelerate creative problem solving for both individuals and project teams. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Knowledge Discovery Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### Analogy Finder - Innovation Tool

http://demo.innovationaccelerator.com/

Analogy Finder provides an innovative way to find related, adaptable ideas to your problem in the U.S. Patent DB. Features include: a) Software based solution; b) Searches based on a simple phrase that articulates the essence of your goal; c) Complements human weaknesses to thinking analogically; d) Interrogates all 476 domains in the US Patent Database to encourage fresh new thinking across multiple domains; and e) Can be



extended to search your corporate legacy data. The Analogy Finder algorithm can also assist: 1) biomimicry discoveries by searching biological journals and databases; and 2)IP lawyers by searching patent databases. Adapt inventions from other fields to solve your problems! To use, first enter your goal, e.g. reduce vibrations. Analogy Finder will first look up the synonyms of the verb and noun you entered. reduce: diminish, lessen, minimize, dampen, etc. vibrations: oscillations, perturbations, reverberations, pulsations, shimmies, etc. Analogy Finder then performs all the searches in the U. S. Patent database and return all the hits. Most likely, an inventor from another field has used one of these phrases when describing their invention. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

# **Updated> Healthcare Bots and Subject Directories**

http://www.HealthcareBots.info/

I have just updated my Internet MiniGuide White Paper Link Compilation titled "Healthcare Bots and Subject Directories" which is now a 35 page research paper listing selected resources both new and existing that will help anyone who is attempting to find the latest information about healthcare search engines and subject directories available on the Internet. It is freely available as a .pdf file (314KB) at the above link from the Virtual Private Library<sup>TM</sup> and authored by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. It was updated March 25, 2013. Other white papers are available by clicking here.

# **BenchPrep - Unlimited Access To Hundreds of Coursed On All Your Devices** <a href="https://benchprep.com/">https://benchprep.com/</a>

BenchPrep creates test prep and other subject-based interactive courses you can access on your computer, iPhone, Android and iPad. BenchPrep courses are created by content from top publishers and are enhanced with helpful and engaging study features. Since our launch, we have had overwhelming support from educators, publishers, bloggers, investors, and especially the over 200,000 students who have used and loved our product. BenchPrep is a better way to learn. Features include: a) Easy Access - BenchPrep is the world's only interactive course library that you can access on your computer, iPhone, Android, iPad, and Kindle; b) Better than Books - BenchPrep takes books and makes interactive courses out of them - adding study features, reports, and total convenience; and c) Higher Scores - BenchPrep students increase their scores by an average of 15% - leading to improved grades, higher acceptance rates, and better careers. This will be added to Tutorial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

### **IHS Goldfire: The Platform for Optimal Product Decisions**

http://inventionmachine.com/products-and-services/innovation-software/

In today's global dynamic economy, manufacturers must operate more efficiently and innovate more aggressively than ever before. This means better networking and leveraging the people and intelligence assets inside and outside the organization to spur productivity and accelerate product development. But, for most companies, connecting engineers, scientists and researchers to one another – and to the information necessary to



making informed decisions in order to accelerate productivity and advance innovation - remains a critical and unmet challenge. Goldfire®, Invention Machine's award-winning Optimal Decision Engine, uniquely addresses the need for global enterprise connectivity. Goldfire connects personnel across the product lifecycle to the wealth of knowledge that lies inside and outside an organization - and to experts, intelligence and insights, enabling companies to: a) Generate innovative concepts for market-leading products; b) Identify new markets and partners; c) Get on-demand competitive and technology trends and analysis; d) Leverage internal corporate assets e) Connect to relevant internal and external content; and f) Identify and connect to experts inside and outside the organization. With Goldfire, collaboration and productivity are improved and decision making is more informed, enabling companies to deliver superior, competitively differentiated products – in less time and at less cost. This has been added dto the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information blog. This has been added to Knowledge Discovery Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

# **CREAX - Structured Framework for Systematic Innovation**

http://www.creax.com/

CREAX is a worldwide reference in innovation consulting. We bring a systematic approach to the black box of innovation. We unite accomplished innovation experts with cross-industry learning and a unique methodology to provide breakthrough solutions for our clients. The CREAX chemistry builds on the unique combination of three ingredients: the creative power of our team, the analytical strength of our software and the systematic approach of our methodology. This has been added to <a href="Knowledge">Knowledge</a> <a href="Discovery Subject Tracer\*\* Information Blog.

# **Updated> Social Informatics White Paper Link Compilation**

http://www.SocialInformatics.net/

The white paper link compilation of the <u>Social Informatics</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Resource by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> has just been updated and is now a freely available 42 page .pdf document 287KB) listing the latest and greatest online resources and sites for social informatics! **Updated March 26, 2013**. Other white papers are available by clicking here.

#### **Circuits - Revolutionizing Electronic Design**

http://www.circuits.io/

Free circuit design tool and easy PCB manufacturing in your browser while building the largest open hardware community on the web. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.



# Artia - Web-Based Software for Project Management

http://artia.com/

Artia is a Web-based Software for Project Management with a quick implementation and low costs. It has been developed with Social Networks Aspects, making it a business tool with a great communication and collaboration system. Easy and fast to use, Artia allows you to organize personal and professional tasks, create and manage projects, share tasks with people, companies and teams, do time entries to administrate the time spent with each task along the day, view planned tasks and execute them very easily. Furthermore, you will have access to special charts and functionalities. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. THis will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH)- Protect Your Trademark Online <a href="http://trademark-clearinghouse.com">http://trademark-clearinghouse.com</a>

"The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is responsible for managing the domain name system and ICANN developed the new gTLD program in order to increase competition and choice in the domain name space. The Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH) - launching March 26 - is the most important rights protection mechanism built into ICANN's new gTLD program. It allows brand owners to submit their trademark data into one centralized database, prior to and during the launch of new gTLDs. Simply put: The TMCH is a one-stop-solution for protecting your brand in the new gTLD era." Trademark holders will be able to submit their trademark information to a centralized repository. After verification, the trademark holder has fulfilled the basic (most important) condition to be able to register its corresponding domain name during the pre-registration period of multiple TLDs – also known as the "Sunrise period". Trademark holders will also have the option to be notified when someone registers a domain name that matches their record in the Clearinghouse. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

### The Free Resource - Sharing Educational Resources

http://www.thefreeresource.com/

The Free Resource is a community of teachers and education professionals that we have selected to gather trusted research and information from around the web. Using verifiable facts from credible reference materials and periodicals, these education professionals have a common goal of building sets of free web and educational resources and quality trustworthy research. These free resources can be then used by educational professionals and teachers to build lesson plans, or by students to gather verifiable facts and information for research papers or help with their homework, to use as a study guide for tests and quizzes, or as research for a school report. This will be added to <a href="Student Research Resources Subject Tracer\*IM">Student Research Resources Subject Tracer\*IM</a>.



#### RoboEarth - A Worldwide Web for Robots

### http://www.roboearth.org/

At its core, RoboEarth is a World Wide Web for robots: a giant network and database repository where robots can share information and learn from each other about their behavior and their environment. Bringing a new meaning to the phrase "experience is the best teacher", the goal of RoboEarth is to allow robotic systems to benefit from the experience of other robots, paving the way for rapid advances in machine cognition and behaviour, and ultimately, for more subtle and sophisticated human-machine interaction. RoboEarth offers a Cloud Robotics infrastructure, which includes everything needed to close the loop from robot to the cloud and back to the robot. RoboEarth's World-Wide-Web style database stores knowledge generated by humans – and robots – in a machine-readable format. Data stored in the RoboEarth knowledge base include software components, maps for navigation (e.g., object locations, world models), task knowledge (e.g., action recipes, manipulation strategies), and object recognition models (e.g., images, object models). This will be added to Bot Research Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# Freebase - Open Graph Database with More Than 23 million Entities http://wiki.freebase.com/wiki/Main Page

An entity is a single person, place, or thing. Freebase connects entities together as a graph. Ways to use Freebase: a) Use Freebase's Ids to uniquely identify entities anywhere on the web; b) Query Freebase's data using MQL; and c) Build applications using our API or Acre, our hosted development platform. Freebase is also a community of thousands of data-lovers, working together to improve Freebase's data. Learn how to contribute, join our mailing list, or find out more on our community page. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Knowledge Discovery Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

# InvoiceBerry - Send Invoices, Track Expenses, Simple Accounting <a href="http://www.invoiceberry.com/">http://www.invoiceberry.com/</a>

Invoiceberry is an online service which allows you to create, send and manage your invoices online without downloading any software. After signing up you automatically receive a company-specific login page where you can create a new invoice within seconds. Invoiceberry allows you to download, email or post your invoices directly from your account. You don't have to print and post your invoices any more. This will be added to <a href="Entrepreneurial Resources">Entrepreneurial Resources</a> Subject TracerTM Information Blog.

### **Gygan - Fast Free File Sharing App**

http://www.gygan.com/

Gygan has the features you need to easily upload, download, manage, and share your videos, photos, audio files, documents, or just about anything. Download videos, photos, and music, FAST! Unlimited uploading, storage, and speed, FREE! Gygan is great for sharing large HD home videos and hi-res photos with your friends and family, or distributing software to your clients, partners, and customers. This will be added to



Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### **OATs - Open Access Textbooks**

http://instr.iastate.libguides.com/oats

The OATs Libguide provides access to descriptions and links to known initiatives and organizations that support the development and promotion of Open Access textbooks, and to OA and low-cost e-books and textbook catalogs and databases. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added Student Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

### rioxx - RIOXX Metatdata Profile and Guidelines

#### http://rioxx.net/

These Guidelines are designed to mitigate the detrimental effects of divergent interpretation of the standards that exist in the open access repository space – OAI-PMH for example – by advocating a common approach. They are not data entry instructions but the guidelines do provide the means to map your data entry processes to the required format. Adopting a common approach through the use of generally-used guidelines has the potential, therefore, to reduce ambiguity, boost the extent to which metadata can be harvested efficiently, enhance the accuracy and value of services built on metadata harvesting and aggregation processes and improve confidence in the veracity of reports based on metadata. The RIOXX application profile and guidelines are being developed in consultation with UKCoRR. This is in addition to a technical consultation which began in October and which is still open. In addition the project team have ensured as far as possible that there is a high degree of compliance between these and the OpenAIRE guidelines. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to World Wide Web Reference Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### **Datafield - Mobile Forms Made Easy**

https://www.data-field.com/

Datafield is an innovative and easy way to collect data and opinion using the mobile phone of expected respondents. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Open Access Textbooks Project**

http://www.openaccesstextbooks.org/

The Open Access Textbooks Project is a two-year initiative to create a sustainable model for the discovery, production, and dissemination of open textbooks. Funded by a grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE), this project builds on lessons learned in open textbook efforts across the United States and seeks to create a collaborative community to further sustainable implementation of open textbooks. Open Access Textbooks and The Orange Grove among Top 50 Open Access



Educational Projects! This has been added to the tools section of <u>Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to <u>Student Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### Peeep.us - Save Snapshot of a Web Page Forever

#### http://www.peeep.us/

When you see a page that can soon change and you want to make a copy of current content, Peeep is here to help you to easily store web page. Another use case of Peeep is to share pages, unavailable for public views. For example you can store a private page on a social network, a view of some administrative web application, page from a resource requiring sign-up or subscription. You can publish a link to that page on Peeep securely. Peeep stores only one page and blocks all active components that could be used to disclose more personal information than it is presented on the particular page. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# Coursera - Take the World's Best Cources, Online, for Free <a href="https://www.coursera.org/">https://www.coursera.org/</a>

They are a social entrepreneurship company that partners with the top universities in the world to offer courses online for anyone to take, for free. They envision a future where the top universities are educating not only thousands of students, but millions. Their technology enables the best professors to teach tens or hundreds of thousands of students. Through this, theye hope to give everyone access to the world-class education that has so far been available only to a select few. They want to empower people with education that will improve their lives, the lives of their families, and the communities they live in. Classes offered on Coursera are designed to help you master the material. When you take one of our classes, you will watch lectures taught by world-class professors, learn at your own pace, test your knowledge, and reinforce concepts through interactive exercises. When you join one of their classes, you'll also join a global community of thousands of students learning alongside you. They know that your life is busy, and that you have many commitments on your time. Thus, their courses are designed based on sound pedagogical foundations, to help you master new concepts quickly and effectively. Key ideas include mastery learning, to make sure that you have multiple attempts to demonstrate your new knowledge; using interactivity, to ensure student engagement and to assist long-term retention; and providing frequent feedback, so that you can monitor your own progress, and know when you've really mastered the material. They offer courses in a wide range of topics, spanning the Humanities, Medicine, Biology, Social Sciences, Mathematics, Business, Computer Science, and many others. Whether you're looking to improve your resume, advance your career, or just learn more and expand your knowledge, we hope there will be multiple courses that you find interesting. Join 3,061,265 Courserians. Learn from 329 courses, from 62 universities. This will be added to Tutorial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.



#### **JumpShare - File Sharing Made Simple**

#### https://jumpshare.com/

Jumpshare is the fastest way to share your files online. Preview over 200 file formats right inside your browser. Get started - it's free! Jumpshare converts your files and optimizes them for the web so that anyone with a link can open them in any browser, on any device, anywhere in the World. Features include: a) Simple - Everything from uploading, sharing and organizing files to previewing & searching them is just a click away; b) Fast - While your files are uploading, you can share them instantly with a link or email, in real-time. No waiting; c) Smart - Folders are automatically renamed based on the number and types of files uploaded; d) Beautiful - Every pixel is beautifully crafted to make it a great file sharing experience for the users; e) Powerful - Preview photos, videos, documents, presentations, spreadsheets, books, audios, fonts, codes & much more; and f) Secure - All files are encrypted with AES-256 standard and we ensure no one can gain unauthorized access. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Updated> Entrepreneurial Resources**

http://www.EntrepreneurialResources.info/

The white paper link compilation of the <u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> information resource by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> has been just updated and is now a 80 page .pdf document 490KB listing the latest and greatest online resources for the Entrepreneur! [**Updated April 1, 2013**] Other white papers are available by clicking here.

#### **Document Metadata Cleaner 3**

http://www.pointstone.com/products/metadata-cleaner/features/

Whenever you create, open, or save a document in Microsoft Word, Excel or PowerPoint, that document may store information (known as metadata) that you had no intention of including or disclosing. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### **Cirrus - Dropbox Editing Made Easy**

http://cirruseditor.com/

Features include: a) View and Edit Files; b) Simple Interface; c) Support for over 50 file types through popular web apps; d) Quick and easy to get started; and e) Free!. All you need to do to get started is give us an email and password. Then just click allow Cirrus Editor to access my files on Dropbox.com, and you can start editing and viewing files. If you aren't using a computer that has the Dropbox app installed on it, you have to download, edit, and reupload every time you want to make a change. Now you can edit your files on any device, and not have to worry about uploading a file after making a change. Cirrus Editor is supposed to be easy to figure out. Navigating the file system is a snap, and our editing and viewing tools are powered by some of the most popular web



apps. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

# Chains - Help You Improve Your Habits One Day At a Time https://chains.cc/

Chains.cc is an online motivational tool based on the "don't break the chain" method that helps you stick to your good habits and break bad ones. Each day you complete a task you want to keep up, you mark it in your chains. The chain will grow longer with each day and soon your main motivation is to keep the chain from breaking. Your chains are shown visually with several great looking skins to choose from. This will be add to <a href="Entrepreneurial Resources">Entrepreneurial Resources</a> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# **Updated> Online Research Tools White Paper URL Dataset Link Compilation** http://www.OnlineResearchTools.info/

This is one if not the most comprehensive white paper URL Dataset Link Compilation available on the Internet and is titled *Online Research Tools* by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. and has just been updated! It literally displays alphabetically listed URL Datasets of thousands of online research tools. These offer various downloadable as well as web applications to allow you to do your research and searching on the Internet far more effective and productive. It is now a freely available 267 page .pdf document (1.40MB) that can be downloaded from the above URL. Other white papers and resources on information retrieval, information extraction and deep web research by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. are available by clicking here. The Online Research Tools White Paper Link Compilation was updated April 2, 2013.

#### **Internet Guidebooks**

#### http://www.cln.org/guidebooks.html

Listed on this page are guidebooks and resources which can assist teachers to learn more about the Internet. Most of the resources on this page are for novices, but there are a some that even advanced users would find helpfull. These resources have a TECHNICAL focus. They will NOT provide teachers with PEDAGOGICAL information on how to use the Internet in their classrooms. This will be added to <a href="Searching The Internet Subject">Searching The Internet Subject</a> Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **How To Create An Online Course**

#### http://www.mindflash.com/training/course-creation/

Create a Course in Minutes - Just upload your existing training files (PowerPoint, Video, Word or PDF) and Mindflash automatically converts them into an online course, accessible to any trainee with internet access. Add as many files as you like and arrange them in just the right order. You can also add quizzes and surveys, and record audio directly into your Mindflash course to create an engaging multi-media training experience. This will be added to <u>Tutorial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.



#### **Learning Management Systems (LMS)**

http://www.mindflash.com/learning-management-systems/what-is-lms

Learning Management Systems Allow Powerful Training Programs to be Delivered on the Go. Over the past decade or so, powerful software for managing complex databases has been combined with digital frameworks for managing curriculum, training materials, and evaluation tools. The result is a technology known as the Learning Management System (LMS). Already a nearly billion-dollar industry, LMS products and software allow any organization to develop electronic coursework, deliver it with unprecedented reach and flexibility, and manage its continued use over time. The LMS has become a powerful tool for consulting companies that specialize in staffing and training, extension schools, and any corporation looking to get a better grasp on the continuing education of its workforce. Its impact has been felt mostly outside of traditional education institutions, though the same technological and market forces are dramatically changing today's classroom as well. There is no standard industry definition or published standard defining the components of an LMS, but several features are common: a) Creation of class rosters, control over registration processes, and the ability to create waiting lists; b) Upload and management of documents containing curricular content; c) Delivery of course content over web-based interfaces, most often allowing remote participation by the instructor or pupil; d) Creation and publication of course calendars; e) Interaction between and among students, such as instant messaging, email, and discussion forums; and f) Methods of assessment and testing (like creating pop quizzes). LMS systems used in corporate training environments often have additional features that satisfy goals relating to knowledge management and performance evaluation, such as: 1) Automatic enrollment and reminders for mandatory courses; 2) Options for manager access, such as to approve materials or participation; 3) Integration with human resource systems for tracking employment eligibility, performance goals, and similar corporate priorities; and 4) Control over access and class groupings according to a number of metrics, such as geography, involvement in a particular project, or levels of security clearance. This will be added to Student Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### New on LLRX - Statistics Resources and Big Data on the Internet 2013

http://www.llrx.com/features/statisticsdataresources2013.htm

Statistics Resources and Big Data on the Internet 2013: <u>Marcus P. Zillman</u> has updated his best practices bibliography of sites and reliable sources focused on the hot topic of statistics and big data. These sources are representative of multiple publishers, national and global - government, academia, NGOs, and industry, many of which leverage open source and collaborative applications.

#### Spredfast - Social Media Management

http://www.spredfast.com/

Spredfast was started when they realized there was an opportunity in the market for companies to be great at managing social media and engaging with their community. It was clear when they started in 2008 that managing social media across the Enterprise was chaotic and increasingly complex, and that there was no easy way for the Enterprise to



manage all of their relevant social networks from a centralized location. Add the need to measure the impact of networks like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Blogs and YouTube plus coordinating activity across multiple teams and locations. They launched the Spredfast social media management system in 2010 to provide enterprise companies and agencies with a full solution to address these issues. Today, they work with companies and agencies across the world to monitor, engage, coordinate and measure social media with one robust platform. This has been added to <a href="Business Intelligence Resources">Business Intelligence Resources</a> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# **Sysomos - Social Media Software for Brands, Businesses and Agencies** http://www.sysomos.com/

Social Media Software for Brands, Businesses and Agencies featuring the following areas: a) Social Media Monitoring - Comprehensive real-time monitoring dashboard to collect all relevant online conversations to gain insights with detailed metrics and intuitive graphics; b) Analytics and Insights - In-depth research platform with true global coverage, including automated sentiment, demographics, influencers, historical analysis and intelligent reporting; c) Engagement - Social CRM to engage with key influencers, provide customer support, find new sales leads, and keep track of your teams; and d) Management - Manage all your social profiles, Twitter, YouTube, Facebook, LinkedIn, and more within the same platform. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# **ViralHeat - A Unified Suite for Social Media Marketing** https://www.viralheat.com/

Viralheat understands the importance of social media to every business, big and small, so they continue to build and innovate their product based on customer feedback and requests. Thanks to ongoing conversations with their customers, they now offer our users an abundance of management, monitoring, analytics, publishing, and engagement capabilities across multiple social media platforms. Today more than 12,000 clients in 72 countries around the world trust their services. This has been added to <a href="Business Intelligence Resources">Business Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup></a> Information Blog. This will be added to <a href="Social Informatics">Social Informatics</a> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# Using the Internet As a Dynamic Resource Tool for Knowledge Discovery <a href="http://whitepapers.virtualprivatelibrary.net/Knowledge%20Discovery%20Resource%20T">http://whitepapers.virtualprivatelibrary.net/Knowledge%20Discovery%20Resource%20T</a> ools.pdf

Research white paper titled "*Using the Internet As a Dynamic Resource Tool for Knowledge Discovery*" is a 22 page research paper listing many resources both new and existing that will help anyone who is attempting to perform information and knowledge research and discovery on the Internet. It is freely available as a .pdf file (592KB) at the above link from the <u>Virtual Private Library<sup>TM</sup></u> and authored by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> It was updated **April 4, 2013**. Other white papers are available by clicking here.



#### **USDA Agricultural Projections to 2022**

http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/oce-usda-agricultural-projections/oce131.aspx#.UVHuhI7WczY

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) publishes hundreds of reports, papers, fact sheets, and other documents each year for use by the general public, scholars, and members of the press. Much of this work is generated by the Economic Research Service (ERS) division, and this impressive report is one of those key documents. Published in February 2013, this work offers up the USDA's 10-year projections for the food and agricultural sector in the United States. The 99-page report covers "agricultural commodities, agricultural trade, and aggregate indicators of the sector, such as farm income and food prices." Visitors can download the entire report or discrete sections, such as "US Crops," "US Livestock," or "Macroeconomic Assumptions." This will be added to Agriculture Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. [From The Scout Report, Copyright Internet Scout 1994-2013. https://www.scout.wisc.edu/]

#### **Annenberg Lesson Plans**

http://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html

The Annenberg Lesson Plans archive features high-quality educational resources culled from their award-winning documentaries and serial productions. Visitors can select plans by grade level or discipline, or they can just browse as they see fit. The plans tend to be erudite, witty and compelling, and include "American Robin: A Robin's Menu Through the Seasons," "Causal Patterns in Density," and "Building Viewpoints." Currently, there are over 140 plans, with new ones added on a regular basis. The site also includes links to each of the programs the plans are adapted from so it is easy to work through the offerings. Finally, visitors can also sign up to receive updates when new materials are added. This will be added to <u>Student Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. [From The Scout Report, Copyright Internet Scout 1994-2013. <a href="https://www.scout.wisc.edu/">https://www.scout.wisc.edu/</a>]

#### The International Year of Statistics

http://www.statistics2013.org/

Statistics is a subject for all seasons and years, but 2013 is the International Year of Statistics, a designation supported by almost 1,850 organizations. The primary movers behind this noble activity include the American Statistical Association, the International Biometric Society, and the Royal Statistical Society. The goal of this initiative is to promote "the importance of statistics to the scientific community, business and government data users, the media," and a range of other users. On the website, visitors can make their way through four main sections, including What is Statistics?, Statistics as a Career, Teacher Resources, and Statistics 2013 Posters. The Teacher Resources area is a real pip, as it features teacher resources for over two dozen countries, along with statistics education videos from the United States and Mexico. The site also includes a Statistic of the Day, a quote of the week, and a most efficacious Statistical Word of the Week. [From The Scout Report, Copyright Internet Scout 1994-2013. https://www.scout.wisc.edu/]



**Editor's Note:** This will be added to my <u>Statistics Resources and Big Data</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. I have also written on this in my April 2013 V11N4 <u>Awareness Watch Newsletter</u> on Statistics Resources and Big Data On the Internet.

# The Authoritative Resource List for the Semantic Web by Kaila Strong <a href="http://www.verticalmeasures.com/search-optimization/the-authoritative-resource-list-for-the-semantic-web/">http://www.verticalmeasures.com/search-optimization/the-authoritative-resource-list-for-the-semantic-web/</a>

You've likely used terms on search engines that you thought should produce the information you're looking for, only to be disappointed that the sites that show up couldn't be farther from what you're looking for. The principles of the semantic web movement can help search engines and end users find what they're looking for a bit better by converting the web into a more structured format. Currently, the web is made up of unstructured and semi-structured documents. Problems occur when users try to find the information they're looking for, because search engines attempting to help have a hard time understanding content on the web. As SEOs, it's important to understand the core principles of the semantic web and make changes to the structure of your site for this "utopic vision" of a better web experience. In addition, a proper understanding helps with all aspects of SEO best practices. Understanding how a search engine crawls and indexes your pages and what semantic content looks like will aid in the technical aspects of SEO. In this post, you'll find 40+ resources to help you understand more about the semantic web. This will be added to the Semantic Web Research section of Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013.

#### Talkwalker - Social Media Monitoring Tool

#### http://www.talkwalker.com/

Due to our intuitive user interface you can set up your monitoring project about your brand, competitors and industry topics within a few minutes and without any specific previous knowledge. Create in a few easy steps your own Social-Media-Story and walk through the main news, the opinion leading blogs, Twitter advocates, the most recent topics and much more. With only one click you can export and edit the whole story in PowerPoint or Word. Talkwalker provides you next to its unique reporting feature numerous and detailed analysis and filter options, making sure you will extract the most relevant and important information out of the masses of data available. Data is our DNA. Active since 2008, we rank amongst the market leaders in crawling of online and social media data in Europe. Our index covers over 20 million sources, including social networks (blogs, forums, product review sites, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, 4Square etc.) and news (news, magazines, online news, TV/Radio etc.). Special attention is given to a high quality data coverage. On customer request we extend our coverage to include specific sources. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.



#### **Annenberg Learner**

#### http://www.learner.org/

Their mission is to advance excellent teaching in American schools through the development and distribution of multimedia resources for teaching and learning. They are a division of the Annenberg Foundation, which funds a wide range of programs in education and other areas. Annenberg Learner funds and distributes more than 100 multimedia courses and workshops to help teachers keep current on the content they teach. Professional development resources provide teachers with research on the most effective teaching strategies along with their connection to national education content standards, and examples of these principles applied in real classrooms. The video components are paired with extensive Web sites that include online texts, course and workshop guides, and extensive background information to enhance the learning experience. Using these resources, teachers can learn from experts, other teachers, and even students who reveal their unique interpretations of the content. This will be added to Student Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### ContactMonkey - Track, Indentify and Close

### https://contactmonkey.com/

ContactMonkey is a smart email tracking tool for GMail using Chrome and Outlook 2007/2010 that helps salespeople identify their best prospects and close more sales. In real-time, Contact Monkey shows if, when, where and how many times an email is opened. ContactMonkey works with Outlook (2007/2010) and Gmail for Chrome. They will be launching versions for more email clients soon! This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### uberVU - Solutions for Social Media Marketing

#### http://www.ubervu.com/

Solutions include: a) Understanding Your Audience - What content engages your audience most, who are the influencers and the best engagement opportunities; b) Find Marketing Insights - uberVU automatically surfaces influencer mentions, spikes in sentiment, location, demographics and even trending stories; c) Content Marketing and Optimization - uberVU suggests relevant content to post and optimises scheduling for maximum post engagement; and d) Audit and Reporting - Drag, drop, save and your report template is ready. Push a button and have the template updated and exported in seconds. Features include: 1) uberVU Signals - Signals scans all the mentions and conversations relevant to your brand in real time and detects influencer mentions, spikes in volume and sentiment, trending stories and many, many more. In short, all the stuff that's important, everything you'd want to know about a.s.a.p; 2) Social Marketing Automation - Their passion is automating most of your tedious work so you can focus on making decisions and taking actions. uberVU automates the discovery of trends and insights. We optimize when and where to post for maximum engagement. And we surface influencer mentions and trending stories in real time; and 3) Influencers - uberVU surfaces influencers who are already participating in the conversation and are proven to drive it. They're not just popular, they're engaging with a relevant audience. Build



relationships with them and watch your social media marketing soar. This will be added to Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# Viewport Resizer - Browser Based Tool to Test Any Website's Responsiveness http://lab.maltewassermann.com/viewport-resizer/

More than 32k active users access Viewport Resizer in 158 countries! Viewport resizer is a browser-based tool to test any website's responsiveness. Just save the bookmarklet, go to the page you want to test, click on your created bookmarklet and check all kinds of screen resolutions of the page. The smartest way to share your defined environment of devices and breakpoints directly with your team and client. This bookmarklet should not replace a real device simulation. It rather helps you, your team and client testing statuses, transitions, text length etc. throughout different device types. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Accessibility Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### sotd: Site of the Day

#### http://www.freelists.org/list/sotd

Site of the Day, an announcement list, offers its subscribers an informative or entertaining website five days a week, Monday through Friday. From the amazing array of over a billion and a half pages on the web, we suffer from too much choice, rather than too little. The goal of Site of the Day is to do some winnowing on behalf of its members and present the wheat rather than the chaff. This has been added to <u>Reference Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

### More Site Like - Find Similar Site for Any Site

#### http://moresiteslike.net/

MoreSitesLike - is a website that can help you to find similar websites to your favorite websites that you visit every day. It is likely you will find a website where you will visit every day. They collect and combine information about websites from many sources including the site itself. The search engine generates a list of websites based on the similarity of topics and popularity of websites. They are constantly crawling the Web to find new popular sites to provide users with fresh results. Examples include: a) For Webmasters - Can be used to find competitors in your niche (find some tricks how to increase traffic to your website) and to search for partners (e.g. to exchange links); b) For Bloggers - Find useful information that is closely related to your own blog (find new topics to write posts on your own blog); and c) Search popular sites on the selected subject. Search by keywords. For example: You are interested in where they sell cars.(http://moresiteslike.net/top/sell+car). This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.



#### **Cloakmy - Secure Messages**

#### https://cloakmy.org/

Cloakmy provides a free, non-profit tool to encrypt and share your messages. Privacy is taken very seriously, since it is the main purpose of this website. All stored data is encrypted, and passwords hashed using Bcrypt. They cannot retrieve your password, therefore if it's lost, the content of the document is lost forever. Once your message is destroyed, they cannot restore it. Messages are physically erased, once destroyed there is no coming back. This has been added to Privacy Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Updated> Web Guide for the New Economy**

http://www.WebGuideNewEconomy.com/

The **Web Guide for the New Economy** by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. has just been updated and represents the latest world wide web resources for discovering new knowledge and understanding the latest happenings with regards to the New Economy. Understanding the required new economy analytics, resources and alerts will give you the necessary tools to maintain your current position, improve your position and discover the new knowledge required to be the leader in your profession in the New Economy! Download this freely available web guide today! [**Updated: April 9, 2013 39 pages 371KB**] Additional white papers by Marcus P. Zillman are available by clicking here.

### **Unhosted Web Apps - Freedom from Web 2.0's Monopoly Platforms** https://unhosted.org/

Also known as "serverless", "client-side", or "static" web apps, unhosted web apps do not send your user data to their server. Either you connect your own server at runtime, or your data stays within the browser. Advantages compared to native (iOS, Android) apps include: a) web apps work on any device, no matter which platform or provider; and b) anyone can link to your app from anywhere else. Advantages compared to hosted web apps include: 1) choose your server provider independently of which apps you use; 2) likewise, your choice of apps is not narrowed down by your cloud storage; 3) the app provider no longer gets to see your data by default; 4) unhosted web apps are cheaper to publish than hosted ones; 5) unhosted web apps can easily be mirrored for kill-switch resilience; and 6) infinite per-app backend scalability (there simply is no per-app backend). Yes ... over http, you receive the app's source code, rather than an opaque user interface. Take a minute to wrap your head around that!! This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to World Wide Web Reference Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Script Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

### **AmericanListed - Family Friendly and Local Classifieds**

http://www.americanlisted.com/

Americanlisted, founded in 2007, is a local online classified advertisements website that provides U.S. residents with a simple and safe way to sell and buy products and services within their own residential area/city. They offer their users the ability to list and search classified ads locally in all cities, all zip codes and all states in the United States. It's



Americanlisted's belief that buying and selling your belongings, whether it is a car or a pair of shoes, should be a positive and hassle-free experience. There is no registration or sign-up necessary. To ensure the safety of their users, Americanlisted reviews all ads before posting them. Get started by looking up your local city or town through our search function and see what's available right in your very own neighborhood. This will be added to <a href="Moleonic Entrepreneurial Resources"><u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u></a> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### BookletCreator - Create a Booklet From a PDF Document

http://bookletcreator.com/

BookletCreator is a simple tool that allows you to create a booklet from a PDF document. It reorders pages so that after printing and folding the pages, a small book is created. This has been added to the tools section of <u>Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to <u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Updated> Green Files**

http://www.GreenFiles.info/

The white paper link compilation of the <u>Green Files</u> Subject Tracer<sup>™</sup> Information Blog by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> has just been updated and is now a freely available 25 page .pdf document (235KB) listing the latest and greatest online resources and sites for environmental and all things green! **Updated April 10, 2013**. Other white papers are available by clicking <u>here</u>.

#### Winnovative HTML to PDF Converter

http://www.winnovative-software.com/Html-To-Pdf-Converter.aspx

The Winnovative HTML to PDF Converter library for .NET can be linked into any .NET application, either ASP.NET web sites or Windows Forms and WPF applications, to convert URLs, HTML strings and streams to a PDF document or to an image. You can use the HTML to PDF Converter for .NET as a general purpose tool for converting web pages and HTML code to PDF and images or you can use it as part of our .NET Reporting Toolkit to easily create PDF reports directly from ASP.NET pages and to benefit from the great power of ASP.NET controls. The converter offers full support for HTML tags and CSS, page breaks control with CSS styles, automatically repeating HTML table header on each PDF page, live URLs and internal links in PDF, automatically generated bookmarks, HTML in the headers and footers. The HTML to PDF Converter is not using a printer driver and no special settings are necessary on the server in order to get it working. The same assembly works both in 32-bit and 64-bit environments and xcopy deployment on the server is supported. The library is compatible with .NET 2.0, .NET 3.5 and .NET 4.0 frameworks and with Windows Azure Cloud applications. The library was designed and tested to work reliably in multithreaded environments and to completely release all the resources used during conversion after each conversion. This makes it suitable for usage in high traffic ASP.NET websites and services running a long period of time without interruption. This has been added to the



tools section of <u>Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to <u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **PennySaverUSA Online Classifieds**

http://www.pennysaverusa.com/classifieds/usa/index.html

For 50 years, the Original PennySaver has been connecting buyers and sellers and bringing the best local values to our readers through our original printed classifieds. They are the largest direct mail shopping publication in the U.S., reaching over 11.2 million Americans every week with quality neighborhood discounts and coupons. Now PennysaverUSA's online classifieds make it easy to find exactly what you need in your neighborhood from pets for sale, new and used cars for sale, houses and apartments for rent, job listings, the nearest garage sales, and even free stuff! They are passionate about their mission to connect buyers and sellers and bring the best local values to their readers wherever they are. In this era of overblown rhetoric and make-a-quick-buck operations, their online classifieds allow them to facilitate that connection, keeping them committed to the same principles the Original PennySaver committed to fifty years ago. This will be added to eCommerce Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### eBay Classifieds - Free, Friendly and Local

http://www.ebayclassifieds.com/

eBay Classifieds exists for one simple reason: life is busy. It's a rare day when you're not doing at least one thing where eBay Classifieds could help: looking for a job, buying a car, selling your old bike, lining up a babysitter, or warming up to your kids' plea for a puppy. Life is too busy to deal with iffy classifieds sites. Sites that are not completely free, remarkably simple, and safe enough for your kids to look at — they're not worth your time. eBay Classifieds strives to be all three. There's always "someone home", and they are here to help. eBay Classifieds launched originally in the U.S. as Kijiji.com in June 2007. Since then they have grown a very large community and, more recently, redesigned their site to make their lives even simpler. They loved the Kijiji name ("village" in Swahili) but felt it was time for a change and that the eBay brand would breathe some fresh air into online classifieds. Features include: a) eBay Classifieds (formerly Kijiji) launched in the U.S. in 2007, and globally since 2004; b) A local eBay Classifieds site is available in 272 areas across the U.S.; c) The eBay Classifieds team is based in San Jose, California; and d) eBay Classifieds is part of the eBay Classifieds Group, the number one online classifieds group according to ComScore Online, with eight unique brands that span the globe. This will be added to eCommerce Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.



#### **Data Mining Resources**

http://whitepapers.virtualprivatelibrary.net/Data%20Mining%20Resources.pdf
I am pleased to announce my Data Mining Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> and it is a 29 page (259KB) .pdf white paper document is available from the above PDF link. It lists alphabetically the latest resources available from the Internet for Data Mining. [Updated April 11, 2013] Additional white papers and resources by Marcus P. Zillman are

available by clicking here.

Presentation: The Future of the Internet: eCommerce Security, Cloud Computing, Deep Web, HTML5 and IPV6

Presented by: Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.

Presented to: Professor Ted Farah's Entrepreneur Class at Edison State College

**Presentation Sources:** 

**Searching the Internet - A Primer** 

http://www.searchingtheinternet.info/

Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013

http://www.DeepWeb.us/

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http://www.WhitePapers.us/

**New Economy Analytics, Resources and Alerts** 

http://www.NewEconomyAnalytics.com/

Manage Information Overload

http://www.ManageInformationOverload.info/

Green Files

http://www.GreenFiles.info/

**Research Resources** 

http://www.ResearchResources.info/

**Business Intelligence Resources** 

http://www.BIResources.info/

**Grid, Distributed and Cloud Computing Resources** 

http://www.GridResources.info/



#### **Artificial Intelligence Resources**

http://www.AIResources.info/

### **eReference Library Link Toolkit**

http://www.eReferenceLibrary.com/

#### Virtual Private Library Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs

http://www.VirtualPrivateLibrary.com/

#### eHealthcareBot - Meta Search Engine for Healthcare Resources

http://www.eHealthcareBot.com/

#### eGreenBot.com - Green Resources Search Engine

http://www.eGreenBot.com/

### **SocialBuzzBot - The Business Intelligence Search Engine for Social Communities**

http://www.SocialBuzzBot.com/

#### **LinkSeries Publications eReference Companion**

http://www.LinkSeries.com/

### Awareness Watch Newsletter V11N4 April 2013 by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.

http://www.AwarenessWatch.com/

#### **Zillman Columns**

http://www.ZillmanColumns.com/

#### **ChatterBots**

http://www.Chatterbots.info/

#### **Astronomy Resources**

http://www.AstronomyResources.info/

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#### **Entrepreneurial Resources**

http://www.EntrepreneurialResources.info/



#### **ShoppingBots and Online Shopping Resources 2013**

http://www.ShoppingBots.info/

#### **Knowledge Discovery Resources 2013**

http://www.KDResources.info/

#### **New Economy Resources 2013**

http://www.NewEconomyResources.com/

The latest research shows that when prospects search for your company on the Internet, the top 10 listings are likely to include the following:

- a) 3 listings from consumer posts to blogs, message boards, and opinion sites,
- b) 2 listings from experts,
- c) 2 listings from your own corporate site,
- d) 1 listing from an online publication, and
- e) 2 listings from other sources.

This confirms the need for immediate <u>business intelligence</u> to constantly monitor and evaluate the prospects ongoing searching results for your company, brand, and product. <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u>, Executive Director of the <u>Virtual Private Library</u>, Internet <u>expert, author, speaker, consultant</u> and creator/founder of <u>BotSpot.com</u> will be speaking on **The Future of the Internet: eCommerce Security, Cloud Computing, Deep Web, HTML5 and IPV6** with emphasis on the growing areas of bots, intelligent agents, blogs (weblogs), news aggregators, business intelligence, artificial intelligence, Deep Web, RSS, Twitter, FaceBook MashUps, Grids/Clouds, Social Networks and the Web 3.0. The Internet's future is both theoretical and practical and will relate to all that gather in cyberspace to continue education and to keep current! We truly live in exciting times ....... Will Mash-Ups and the Web 3.0 replace the current Internet as we know it? These and other questions will be discussed during this presentation by one of the Internet's pioneers and bot and artificial intelligence experts, Marcus P. Zillman. His latest links and resources are available by clicking here.

Time: 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2013

Group: Professor Ted Farah's Entrepreneur Class at Edison State College

Location: Edison State College, Fort Myers, Florida



#### Mapping for Results: The World Bank

http://maps.worldbank.org/

The effective visual representation of key demographic data through the use of dynamic maps is a powerful tool for policymakers, journalists, and others. The World Bank developed such a program in 2010 as part of the Mapping for Results website. So far, their team has analyzed over 2,500 World Bank-financed projects and geo-coded more than 30,000 locations spanning 144 countries. Visitors can look over the featured articles on the homepage to get a flavor of the projects here, which include stories like "Mapping for Results Goes Local" and "Mapping the Financial Sector in Africa." Visitors can use the interactive map to view projects by country or indicator, which include population density, malnutrition, and infant mortality. Visitors can also learn about the Methodology deployed throughout the maps, which will be useful to those persons looking to understand the inner workings of this complex undertaking. Visitors can sign up to receive updates about the site via Twitter or RSS feed. This will be added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.From The Scout Report, Copyright Internet Scout 1994-2013. https://www.scout.wisc.edu/

#### Teacher to Teacher: Critical Thinking in the College Classroom

http://www.utexas.edu/academic/ctl/criticalthinking/accessible.php?section=1
How do educators teach critical thinking to college students? It's an important task, and one that can be done creatively and in a fashion that speaks to a wide range of learners. This website created by the University of Texas at Austin's Teacher to Teacher initiative compiles fourteen modules: ten focused on specific critical thinking skills and four on specific teaching methods. The Explore tab can be used to look around the modules as organized by class size, type of module, or location (such as in class or out of class) Each module contains a definition and exploration, an annotated bibliography, real classroom footage from the University of Texas, and reflective commentaries from teachers. The modules are divided into four sections dedicated to critical thinking and metacognition. This will be added to <a href="Student Research Resources">Student Research Resources</a> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. Copyright Internet Scout 1994-2013. https://www.scout.wisc.edu/

#### **Tor Browser Bundle**

https://www.torproject.org/projects/torbrowser.html.en

The Tor software protects you by bouncing your communications around a distributed network of relays run by volunteers all around the world: it prevents somebody watching your Internet connection from learning what sites you visit, it prevents the sites you visit from learning your physical location, and it lets you access sites which are blocked. The Tor Browser Bundle lets you use Tor on Windows, Mac OS X, or Linux without needing to install any software. It can run off a USB flash drive, comes with a pre-configured web browser to protect your anonymity, and is self-contained. This will be added to <a href="Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013">Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013</a>. This has been added to the tools section of <a href="Resources Subject Tracer">Resources Subject Tracer</a>. This will be added to <a href="Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer">Entrepreneurial Resources</a> Subject Tracer</a>. This has been added to <a href="Privacy Resources Subject Tracer">Privacy Resources</a> Subject Tracer</a>.



### **Updated> Privacy Resources White Paper Link Dataset Compilation**

http://www.PrivacyResources.info/

I have just updated the white paper link dataset compilation of <u>Privacy Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> It is now a 29 page .pdf document 235KB. [**Updated April 12, 2013**]. Privacy Resources and Sites on the Internet is a comprehensive listing of privacy resources currently available on the Internet. These include associations, indexes, search engines as well as individual websites and sources that supply the latest technology and information about privacy and how it relates to you and the Internet. This is a MUST reference for today's New Economy where privacy and security have become major issues! Keep your privacy and security with this excellent Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Telling the Truth and Nothing But**

http://www.rjionline.org/newsbooks/aces

"The Digital Newsbook on this page was produced at the RJI for the American Copy Editors Society in March 2013. The cover image is hyperlinked directly to the newsbook, which is free to download and save. It can be opened and comfortably read within any PDF viewer; however, it is best read within PDF viewers that support hyperlinks. For Apple iPad owners we recommend opening the newsbook in the iBooks or Goodreader app." This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Journalism Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### SoftPerfect WiFi Guard

http://www.softperfect.com/products/wifiguard/

SoftPerfect WiFi Guard is an essential tool for everyone running a small WiFi network and striving to keep it secure. Generally, modern WiFi networks are well protected, but there is a number of weaknesses that can compromise your WiFi password; this includes vulnerabilities in encryption and brute force attacks. As a result, someone can gain unauthorized access to your Internet and LAN, exploit them and stay unnoticed. You may think: it's ok, who cares, I have got an uncapped plan. But what about someone reading your personal emails, stealing private information or breaking the law online while using your Internet connection? Here comes our little application that allows you to know immediately if your network is used without your knowledge. It's a specialized network scanner that runs through your network at set intervals and reports immediately if it has found any new connected devices that could possibly belong to an intruder. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. Information blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Privacy Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### myIDkey by Arkami

http://myidkey.com/

Headquartered in Aliso Viejo, California, Arkami, Inc. recognized a familiar pain point in most digital users lives and manufactured a simple password management device. myIDkey is the first fingerprint, voice-search, secure Bluetooth / USB drive that displays



passwords and ID on the go as well as works with all smart mobile devices and personal computers. Now passwords and account information is at the tip of your finger. This has been added to the tools section of <u>Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to <u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

# **ProProfs Training Maker - Create Online Courses and Training Easily** http://www.proprofs.com/training/

Create online courses from existing documents, videos & presentations. Features include: a) FREE and Simple - For all skill levels. No HTML experience or software download required; b) Customize for your brand - Host course on ProProfs or edit the settings to customize the design and embed on your website; c) Create Online Courses - Create online courses for employees or students with anytime, anywhere access; d) Security Controls - Keep your courses secure and confidential with password settings, privacy control and more; e) Training Management Software - Manage learners through our powerful learning management system (LMS); f) Create Quizzes & Surveys - Add quizzes, tests and surveys to your courses with our bundled market leading quiz maker; g) Training Tracking - Their training tracking software provides reports about a person, group, location etc.; h) Elearning Software - Create elearning courses that are iPad, mobile, Facebook or Twitter compliant; and i) Superb Analytics - Detailed reports of completed, pending and in progress attempts for each user. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### 2zip.org - Free Online Uncompress Tool

http://2zip.org/

2zip.org is a free online tool that allows you to uncompress many formats of archives and convert them to widely supported ZIP format. Input formats: 7z, bar, bz2, bzip2, gz, gzip, jar, rar, tar, tbz, tgz, war, xz, z, zar, zip. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### Bitcoin - An Open Source P2P Digital Currency

http://bitcoin.org/

Bitcoin is a digital currency, a protocol, and a software that enables: a) Instant peer to peer transactions; b) Worldwide payments; c) Low or zero processing fees; and d) And much more! Bitcoin uses peer to peer technology to operate with no central authority; managing transactions and issuing Bitcoins are carried out collectively by the network. Through many of its unique properties, Bitcoin allows exciting uses that could not be covered by any previous payment systems. The software is a community-driven free open source project, released under the MIT license. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to the P2P section of Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013.



# **Updated> International Trade Resources White Paper Link Compilation** http://www.InternationalTradeResources.info/

The above is the associated white paper link compilation of the <u>International Trade</u> <u>Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog by <u>Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A.</u> It is a 30 page .pdf document 236KB. [**Updated April 15, 2013**] Other white papers are available by clicking <u>here</u>.

#### **Quill - Artificial Intelligence Engine**

http://narrativescience.com/artificial-intelligence-data-engine/

Quill gives you the power to move beyond the numbers and leverage true insight. Quill is an artificial intelligence engine that generates, evaluates and gives voice to ideas as it discovers them in the data. Features include: a) Receive Data - Quill imports your data and builds an appropriate narrative structure to meet the goals of your audience; b) Create Story - Using complex Artificial Intelligence algorithms, Quill extracts and organizes key facts and insights and transforms them into stories, at scale; and c) Deliver Insight - Quill uses data to answer important questions, provide advice and deliver powerful insight in a precise, clear narrative. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Resources.

# **cubiez - Apps that Bring Your Favorite Content to Your Desktop** http://www.cubiez.com/

Cubiez takes what you love the most about your mobile phones and brings it to your computer: instant access to your favorite content and apps. Features include: 1) Cubiez is a free marketplace that brings the best apps to your desktop; 2) Their apps sit in the taskbar at the bottom of your screen, so they are always available; 3) They make it easier for you to stay constantly connected with notifications alerting you to new content; 4) Their platform is non-intrusive, so that you never have to leave the context of what you are doing to check for updates; and 5) They do this in a seamless method that no browser or desktop interface can match! This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Shodan Research Search Engine of Banners**

#### http://www.shodanhq.com/

SHODAN is a search engine that lets you find specific computers (routers, servers, etc.) using a variety of filters. Some have also described it as a public port scan directory or a search engine of banners. Web search engines, such as Google and Bing, are great for finding websites. But what if you're interested in finding computers running a certain piece of software (such as Apache)? Or if you want to know which version of Microsoft IIS is the most popular? Or you want to see how many anonymous FTP servers there are? Maybe a new vulnerability came out and you want to see how many hosts it could infect? Traditional web search engines don't let you answer those questions. So what does



SHODAN index then? Good question. The bulk of the data is taken from 'banners', which are meta-data the server sends back to the client. This can be information about the server software, what options the service supports, a welcome message or anything else that the client would like to know before interacting with the server. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Bot Research Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

### Academic and Scholar Search Engines and Sources http://whitepapers.VirtualPrivateLibrary.net/Scholar.pdf

Internet Annotated Link Dataset Compilation titled "Academic and Scholar Search Engines and Sources" is a 61 page research paper listing selected resources both new and existing that will help anyone who is attempting to find academic and scholarly information and knowledge available on the Internet. Each source is described along with the URL address than can be accessed. It is freely available as a .pdf file (403KB) at the above link from the Virtual Private Library<sup>TM</sup> and authored by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. [Updated: April 16, 2013]. Other white papers are available by clicking here. Bookmark: http://www.ScholarSearchEngines.com/

#### **Publisher to PDF Converter**

http://www.publishertopdf.com/

Microsoft Publisher is a powerful desktop publishing tool. However, many computer owners do not have publisher. Use publishertopdf.com to convert publisher into PDF so you can share your work with anyone. www.publishertopdf.com is 100% free and simple to use. All you do is upload your publisher document, click a button and then get your pdf file delivered right to your email address. Use them to convert publisher (.pub) to PDF instantly! Microsoft Publisher is used by many to create professional looking documents, complete with formatted text and images. For users wanting to share their publisher documents exactly as they created them, PDF is the perfect format. This will be added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **NetMinds - Publish Smarter**

http://netminds.com/

While it's true that some people have design, writing, editing and marketing talent; this is not reality for the vast majority of authors. And for those with the skillset, how much time do you really have? You need a team. Net Minds brings together authors and publishing professionals in a new kind of marketplace assembled for the purpose of making great books. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.



#### Public Library of US Diplomacy by WikiLeaks

http://wikileaks.org/plusd/

From their News Release: "The Kissinger Cables are part of today's launch of the WikiLeaks Public Library of US Diplomacy (PlusD), which holds the world's largest searchable collection of United States confidential, or formerly confidential, diplomatic communications. As of its launch on April 8, 2013 it holds 2 million records comprising approximately 1 billion words. WikiLeaks' publisher Julian Assange stated: "The collection covers US involvements in, and diplomatic or intelligence reporting on, every country on Earth. It is the single most significant body of geopolitical material ever published." [Special Thank You to Sabrina Pacifici beSpacific]. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### May 2013 Zillman Column - Journalism Resources on the Internet

http://Columns.VirtualPrivateLibrary.net/Journalism\_Resources\_May13\_Column.pdf http://www.zillmancolumns.com/

The May 2013 Zillman Column is now available and is titled **Journalism Resources on the Internet**. The May 2013 Column is a comprehensive listing of journalism resources, sources and sites currently available from the Internet. These resources and sources will help you to discover the many pathways available to you through the Internet to find the latest journalism resources, sources and sites. There you can discover the way journalist find information and use the results in their active daily sleuthing and reporting. Download this excellent freely available 23 page 248KB pdf column today and begin your journalism knowledge discovery!

#### blab - Predictive Social Intelligence

http://www.blabpredicts.com/

Blab is a pioneer in the category of Predictive Social Intelligence. Blab applies proprietary technology and big data processing to contextualize and predict tomorrow's online conversations today. Brands rely on Blab to contextualize and predict conversations that engage their target audiences, so they can maximize conversation opportunities and minimize threats. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This has been added to Business Intelligence Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Prediction Markets Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Social Informatics Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### SlimOrganizer - Organize Your Life

http://www.slimorganizer.com/

SlimOrganizer is a simple, clear and easy to use organizer. The WebApp allows you to manage your bookmarks, notes, tasks, appointments, contacts and files in a single all in one system. The software focuses on an easy and simple usage. You can use SlimOrganizer with your Smartphone, Tablet, Laptop and Desktop-PC. SlimOrganizer joins several tools for organization in only one application, which helps you to plan and organize your daily life. You can access the service at any time 24/7 from every mobile



device with your web browser. SlimOrganizers is free to use and helps you to manage your life. This has been added to the tools section of <u>Research Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to <u>Entrepreneurial Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **SoundGator - Free Sound Effects**

#### http://www.soundgator.com/

An excellent resource of free sound effects to incorporate into your various projects. 23 Categories of sounds covering literally all areas including a search engine. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### **Elder Resources White Paper Link Compilation**

http://WhitePapers.VirtualPrivateLibrary.net/Elder\_Resources.pdf

The above is the associated white paper link compilation of the Elder Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog by Marcus P. Zillman, M.S., A.M.H.A. It is a 20 page .pdf document 187KB. [Updated April 18, 2013] Other white papers are available by clicking here. Bookmark: http://www.ElderResources.info/

#### **TransCertain - Beyond Platforms**

#### http://www.transcertain.com/

With a long and rich history making data available "from any platform to any platform," TransCertain offers a suite of core services and software to complement businesses moving images, documents, payment processing data, and any data type. Their experience in the large database industry coupled with their expertise as an ACH, C21, and Credit Card processor, give them a significant advantage creating solutions that make an immediate impact to all organizations. TransCertain's Security-as-a-Service solutions use advanced, proprietary tokenization and DES3 encryption to protect and safeguard personal, corporate, private and other sensitive information and data while permitting organizations to analyze, share, and distribute mission critical information across multiple platforms in a secure manner. This will be added to Privacy Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to Internet Privacy and Security Resources Digital Linkseries Publications.

#### **SciTech Connect**

#### http://www.osti.gov/scitech/

Your connection to science, technology, and engineering research information from the U.S. Department of Energy. The Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI) has launched SciTech Connect, a new portal to free, publicly available DOE research and development (R&D) results. SciTech Connect incorporates the contents of two of the most popular core DOE collections and employs an innovative semantic search tool enabling scientists, researchers and the scientifically-attentive public to retrieve more relevant information. OSTI plans to gradually phase out its current DOE Information Bridge and Energy Citations products and replace them with



the improved search interface of SciTech Connect. OSTI developed the new resource to help increase access to science, technology and engineering research information from DOE and its predecessor agencies. SciTech Connect represents one of the largest deployments of semantic search by a federal agency to date. SciTech Connect contains all the full-text documents and citations previously found in Information Bridge and Energy Citations Database. Thus, SciTech Connect contains over sixty-five years of energyrelated citations created and/or collected by OSTI. There are over 2.5 million citations, including citations to 1.4 million journal articles, 364,000 of which have digital object identifiers (DOIs) linking to full-text articles on publishers' websites. SciTech Connect also has over 313,000 full-text DOE sponsored STI reports; most of these are post-1991, but close to 85,000 of the reports were published prior to 1990. SciTech Connect includes technical reports, bibliographic citations, journal articles, conference papers, books, multimedia, and data information sponsored by DOE through a grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or similar type of funding mechanism from the 1940s to today. This collection continues to grow as new scientific and technical information resulting from DOE research becomes available. With the release of SciTech Connect, OSTI is expanding its deployment of semantic search, an innovative technology to radically improve the quality and relevance of search results across the majority of its DOE content. Semantic search is a way to enhance search accuracy contextually. Rather than relying on search algorithms that identify a specific query term, semantic search uses more complex contextual relationships among people, places and things. It is an especially effective search approach when a person truly is researching a topic (rather than trying to navigate to a particular destination). SciTech Connect employs a semantic search technique known as keyword-to-concept mapping. It accepts keyword-based queries and returns concept-mapped queries as in a taxonomy; a search term is mapped to other associated terms, including narrower and related concepts. In this way, semantic search enables the new SciTech Connect search engine to recognize and make use of the logical relations among concepts in different scientific documents, regardless of whether those documents use standard descriptors to express those concepts. As a consequence, even the casual user easily recognizes the superiority of semantic search results over traditional word/phrase search results in a side-by-side comparison. SciTech Connect also includes a number of other features, including basic and advanced search; faceting; indocument search; word clouds; and personalization which allows users to save searches, define alerts based on saved searches and create and manage document libraries. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to the semantic web research section of Deep Web Research and Discovery Resources 2013.

#### **APC Paper Computer**

http://apc.io/products/paper/

APC Paper, with its unique recycled cardboard case, is a computer for people wanting to connect to the Internet without the need for specific Windows applications. With special attention to design, APC paper blends seamlessly into any home or office environment. There are many things around us in life whose size we're very familiar with – things that



we see on a daily basis. Paper notebooks are such objects. Bookshelves, cabinets, files, and desks are often determined according to some relationship with its size. They think that designing a computer of a size and shape with the closest connection to these things would result in an object that blended in with that space. Documents or books can be piled up on top of the computer, or it can be placed on a bookshelf. It's a computer that you could sandwich between a variety of objects. This will be the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. This will be added to Entrepreneurial Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>.

#### Makexyz.com - Find a 3D Printer Near You

http://www.makexyz.com/

How does it work? Short answer: like magic. Long answer: they help people make stuff by connecting people who need something 3D printed with makers and print shops neighborhood. You browse printers in your zip code, and after you have found one, you upload your file, choose your color, material, zip code, and checkout. They print it for you and then either ship it to you, or hold it until you can pick it up. It's an easy way to get quality 3D prints fast. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog.

#### eReference Library Link Dataset Toolkit

http://whitepapers.virtualprivatelibrary.net/eReference%20Library.pdf

The eReference Library Link Dataset Toolkit is a 72 page freely available white paper link compilation for a selected group of reference resources that are available over the Internet. These resources are designed to be your eReference Library and to give you the latest and greatest reference resources available from the Internet. The eReference Library Link Toolkit has been created by Internet guru and expert Marcus P. Zillman who is the Executive Director of the Virtual Private Library and designed specifically for use on iPads, iPhone, Androids, Smart Phones, and netbooks/laptops. Updates to this toolkit are powered by Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Bots. This has been added to the tools section of Research Resources Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blog. Additional freely available white papers by Marcus P. Zillman are available by clicking here.

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**Bookmark:** http://eReferenceLibrary.com/

# CertainStore<sup>TM</sup> - TransCertain's<sup>TM</sup> Patent Pending Secure Storage System http://www.transcertain.com/Services.html#CertainStore

It allows an organization to send a sensitive item, together with specific metadata which identifies the item, to a secure storage vault and then in the future retrieve the item upon presentation of a unique token issued at the time of storage. The sensitive item can be a either a text item, which is limited to 50 characters (e.g. social security number, credit card number, account number, etc.), or a document item, which can hold up to two gigabytes of data (e.g. image, video, document, etc.) Storage, updates, and retrieval are guarded by a three level identification mechanism and any and all unauthorized attempts to access the data are prevented and logged for research, audit and review. This will be



added to <u>Privacy Resources</u> Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup>. This will be added to <u>Internet Privacy and Security Resources</u> Digital <u>Linkseries</u> Publications.

### Awarenesswatch<sup>TM</sup> Paper Review

**Learning Environments and Rapidly Evolving Handheld Technologies** by *J. Evans Ochola, James R. Stachowiak, John G. Achrazoglou, David B. Bills* <a href="http://firstmonday.org/ojs/index.php/fm/article/view/3932">http://firstmonday.org/ojs/index.php/fm/article/view/3932</a>

#### **Abstract:**

More and more K–12 school teachers are using handheld devices in classrooms. The mobile nature of handheld technologies is often seen as an integral characteristic facilitating collaborative learning and flexible learning arrangements. Since both portable devices and ideas about the learning environment are rapidly evolving, teachers need to be aware of technologies and classroom arrangements that can help improve student performance and classroom experiences.

### Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs

Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs created and developed by the Virtual Private Library<sup>TM</sup> combine the best of the latest tools on the Internet. Using bots, blogs and news aggregators the Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information blogs generate RSS feeds with the latest resources to create a current information resource flow through niched subject tracers. I am proud to be the creator of the Internet's first Subject Tracer<sup>TM</sup> Information Blogs:

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http://www.DataMiningResources.info/

Deep Web Research

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http://www.EmploymentResources.info/

Entrepreneurial Resources

http://www.EntrepreneurialResources.info/

Fact Checkers Directory

http://www.FactCherckers.us/

**Financial Sources** 

http://www.FinancialSources.info/



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http://www.FindingPeople.info/

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http://www.HealthcareResources.info/

**Information Futures Markets** 

http://www.InformationFutureMarkets.com/

Information Quality Resources

http://www.InformationQualityResources.info/

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http://www.InternetAlerts.info/

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Internet Hoaxes

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**Intrapreneurial Resources** 

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Journalism Resources <a href="http://www.JournalismResources.info/">http://www.JournalismResources.info/</a>

Knowledge Discovery http://www.KnowledgeDiscovery.info/

Military Resources http://www.MilitaryResources.info/

New Economy Analytics, Resources and Alerts http://www.NewEconomyAnalytics.com/

Outsourcing/Offshoring Information and Resources http://www.OutsourcingOffshore.us/

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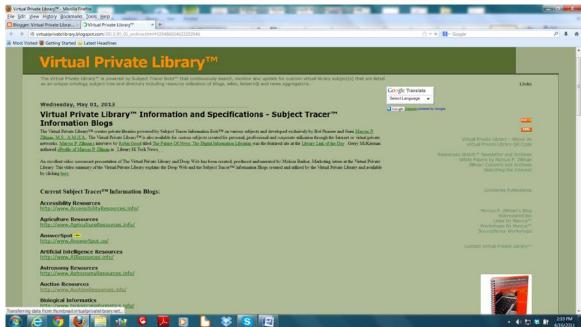


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Internet MiniGuides<sup>TM</sup> http://www.InternetMiniguide.com/

Awareness Watch<sup>TM</sup> Newsletter <a href="http://www.AwarenessWatch.com/">http://www.AwarenessWatch.com/</a>

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LinkSeries Publications <a href="http://www.LinkSeries.com/">http://www.LinkSeries.com/</a>

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