Information – Overload? Further Needs? Better Provision? For who?

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Information – why bother?

- Educational Material
- Current Information
  - Deadlines
  - News
- Reference Material

- What is missing?
- How can this be better?
- Who will contribute?
  - Work
  - Resources

What has canSAS done? - web resources

Portal

http://smallangle.org

A route to web resources

Links to other material

canSAS web

http://www.cansas.org

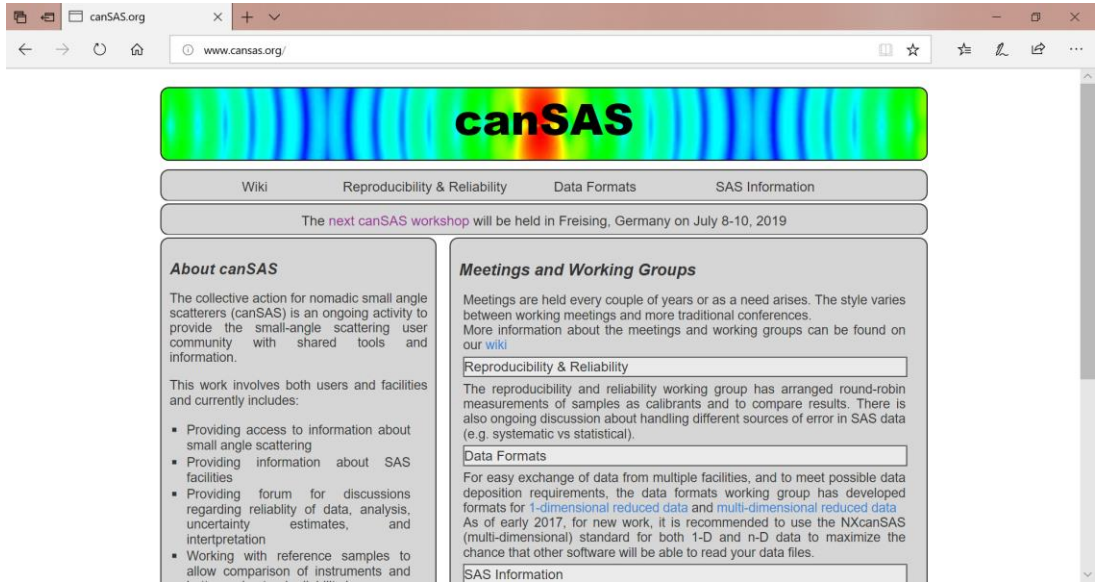
About canSAS

Wiki – for collaborative activities

‘Landing Pages’

http://smallangle.org

http://www.cansas.org



canSAS – A community?

- Various different priorities and objectives
- Fundamental research, applications, through to business
- What can be shared?

Possible New Material

- Videos
- Tutorials
- Podcasts
- Case studies

- All need planning and effort

- Archives

- Language is a barrier – how do we develop multilingual content

Significant Challenges

Implementation

- How can people find time for work? Are they given any credit for dissemination activities?
- How to organise sustainable activity?
- Is extra resource needed?

Organisation

- ‘Code camp’ models
- Encouraging submissions from a broad community
- Should material be reviewed/refereed?

Some ways to categorize activities:

By Consumer

- Potential New Users
- Instrument Scientists

(*extreme difference in technical knowledge*)

- Experienced users
- Software developers

- Bridging several groups

By Science Field

e.g.

- Bio-SAS
- Materials
- Soft Matter
- Interfaces

Ideas for Discussion Themes

1. What content needs to be prioritised?
2. Who can provide help? What resources are needed?