Presentation Proposal:

The e-book lending market is an ever-changing landscape. Libraries across the country are exploring options for acquiring and delivering digital content that leverage the power of libraries, deliver good user experiences, and are consistent with library values. This session will provide an update and discuss the best ways for libraries to advance access to digital collections, with a focus on the collaborative and innovative efforts of two IMLS grant funded projects: SimplyE and the Library Econtent Access Project (LEAP).

Abstract (for Georgia that’s an extra paragraph for the programs committee only):

The cost and demand for e-books in libraries continues to grow, and usage shows that more demand is coming. As libraries struggle to find products and services that  are within budget and respect user privacy, it becomes more obvious that libraries need to take a leading role in developing access to digital content at every step in the life cycle, from creation to acquisition and delivery and display. SimplyE and LEAP are national projects that adhere to ReadersFirst principles and hold great promise for the future. This session will introduce these two projects to ~~Georgia's~~ librarians.