Section of Libraries for Children and Young Adults
Annual Report
September 2003 - August 2004

Scope
The Section's major purpose is to support the provision of the library service and reading promotion to children and young adults throughout the world. Its main objectives are to promote international cooperation in the fields of library services to children and young adults, and to encourage the exchange of experience, education, training and research in all aspects of this subject. The Section's concerns include the provision of library services to all children and young adults in different cultures and traditions in cooperation with appropriate organizations and to adults interacting with children and young adults.

Membership
Membership status June 2004: 122 members

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Meetings
SC meeting Paris, February 2004: 9 members
SC meetings Buenos Aires, August 2004 (two regular meetings and one extra meeting): 11 members, 11 observers

Projects

Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services
Published in December 2003 (English) and promoted together with the Spanish translation in Buenos Aires 2004. During 2004 translated in German and Spanish (Spanish version also printed as a brochure). Also translated in Croatian, Dutch, Italian, Japanese and Korean.

Guidelines for Library Services for Young Adults

ALMA (Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award)
Contact person: Elisabeth Lundgren
The Section takes part in the nomination process, by nominating an outstanding reading promotion project/person. Genevieve Patte has been nominated by the Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section.

History of the Section
The Section's history has been researched and a special 50th anniversary leaflet is under preparation.
Best practice on IFLANET

The collection of best practices in children's libraries around the world has started, the Best Practice Form is designed, tested among the SC members and distributed to SCL members. All will be published on IFLANET.

Partnership

The partnership with ICDL (International Children's Digital Library), IBBY (International Board on Book for Young People) and UNICEF has started.

Children's Literature Abstracts

Magazine containing abstracts of periodical articles on children's literature. Data available on IFLANET.

International Research Abstracts: Youth Library Services (IRAYLS)

A database containing abstracts of international publications of children's libraries. The database is available on IFLANET.

Publications

- SCL Newsletter - two issues – editor Kiang Koh Lai Lin (Singapore)
- New Section's leaflet (updated and translated to Spanish)
- Guidelines for Library Services for Young Adults - translations (see Projects)
- Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services – (see Projects)

Conference Programme

1. Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services
   - Introducing the Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services: the presentation of the first English edition and the Spanish translation (Kathy East, USA)
   - 350 attendees
2. Empowering literacy from babies to teens – the joint session of Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section and School Libraries and Resource Centres Section
   - Introduction (Ivanka Stricevic, Croatia and Anne Clyde, Iceland)
   - La aventura de leer (Gustavo Roldan, Argentina) – available in Spanish, English and French
   - Empowering children: rights-based library services (Marian Koren, Netherlands) – available in English, French, Russian and Spanish
   - Promoting Information Literacies: a focus on inquiry (Dianne Oberg, Canada) – available in English, French and Spanish
   - The evolution of library use and the development of literacy in adolescence (Monique Lebrun, Canada) – available in French
   - Teen friendly - teen empowerment in the school library (K.E. Hones, USA)
   - Campaña LEM & Carrito viajero y biblioteca escolar/CRA - Promoción de la lectura al fin del mundo (Constanza Mekis, Gabriela Jara, Isabel Mac Kellar, Bernardita Moore, Andrea Labra, Chile) – available in Spanish and English
- Livres et bibliothèques pour enfants : l'Afrique et la France, coopération pour l'accès au livre (Viviana Quinones, France) – available in French and Spanish
- Children are a worthwhile investment (Leikny Haga Indergaard, Norway) – available in English, French, Russian and Spanish.
- **150 attendees**

Ivanka Stricevic  
(Chair of the Section)  
November 2004

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Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section: [http://www.ifla.org/VII/s10/index.htm](http://www.ifla.org/VII/s10/index.htm)