



Library Theory and Research Section

Standing Committee Members 2003-2004 and their Professional Work outside IFLA

In an attempt to distribute and discuss topics related to library theory and research, with as many colleagues as possible, and to improve communication within the standing committee, the IFLA Library Theory and Research Committee includes information on member activities and work each does outside of IFLA. As members contribute information it will be added.

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Chairman EUCLID
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Member of the steering group for Nordis-net
A Nordic-Baltic network for research education 1997-2001.

Research coordinator
Library research programme of The Norwegian Research Council 1996-2001.

Member

Editorial board of Information Research (<http://informationr.net/ir/>).

Committee appointed by the Swedish National Agency for Higher Education in 2004 to evaluate LIS-education in Sweden.

Edited

Det siviliserte informasjonsamfunn: om folkebibliotekenes rolle i en digital tid (The Civilized Information Society: On the Role of Public Libraries in a Digital period), Bergen, Fagbokforlaget 2001.

Leads

A research project on the role of public libraries in a digital and multicultural context.

Has performed research and published within the fields of

Change processes in public libraries,

The social role of public libraries,

User studies,

The nature of LIS as an academic field (see selected bibliography below)

Publications 1995-2004

Audunson, R. Forthcoming. The public library as a meeting place in a multicultural and digital context: the necessity of low-intensive meeting places. Accepted for publication in *Journal of Documentation*.

Audunson, R., R. Nordlie and I.C. Spangen (2003). The complete librarian – an outdated species? LIS between profession and discipline. In: *New Library World* 104 (1189), 195-202

Audunson, R. (2003). Folkebibliotek – en institusjonstype i spenningsfeltet mellom ulike sosiale diskurser. I: I. Mäkinen og K. Sundquist (red). *Introduktion til informationsvetenskapen*. Tampere University Press, Tampere. S.219-235

Audunson, R. (2002). Competing with Maurice Greene: On LIS-education in a period of rapid change; In: S.K.Hannisdottir (ed). *Global Issues in 21st Century Research Librarianship*, Nordinfo, Helsinki 2002, pp.354-368

Aabø, S. and Audunson, R. (2002). Rational choice and valuation of public libraries. In: *Journal of Librarianship and Information Science*, 34(1), 4-14.

Audunson, R. (2001). Folkebibliotekenes rolle i en digital framtid. I: Ragnar Audunson og Niels W. Lund (red). *Det siviliserte informasjonssamfunn. Folkebibliotekenes rolle ved inngangen til en digital tid*. Bergen : Fagbokforlaget. S.206-225.

Audunson, R. (1999). Between Professional Field Norms and Environmental Change Impetuses: A Comparative Study of Change Processes in Public Libraries. In: *Library and Information Science Research*, 21(4), pp.523-552.

Audunson, R. (1999). Public Libraries. In: Maurice Line, Graham Mackenzie and Paul Sturges (eds). *Library and Information Work Worldwide*. London: Bowker-Saur, pp. 89-111.

Audunson, R. (1998). Can Institutional Theory Contribute to Our Understanding of Information Seeking Behaviour? In: Tom Wilson and David Ellis (eds). *Information Seeking in Context*. London: Taylor Graham.

Audunson, R. (1997). The Genesis of a Research Project: What Makes a Piece of Research Library and Information Science. In: Niels W. Lund (ed). *Nordic Yearbook of Information and Documentation Research*. Oslo: Novus.

Audunson, R. (1996). *Change Processes in Public Libraries: A Comparative Project within an Institutional Perspective*. Doctoral dissertation, Institutt for statsvitenskap, UiO.

Audunson, R. (1996). Utvikling og testing av en kausalmodell for folkebibliotekbruk. I: *Norsk tidsskrift for bibliotekforskning*, 2(4), S.59-78.

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Activity in Russian Library Association (RLA)

Since 2004 I'm the head of the standing committee of research sector of RLA. My responsibility: to coordinate the activity of the standing committee members and to head the research sector at the 9th Annual Conference of RLA "Libraries are the heart of information community", Novosibirsk, May, 2004. My report on the section: "Problems of training of higher library school graduates to conduct research under conditions of diverse activity of modern libraries". Besides, I prepared and conducted the discussion on the theme: "Library studies in information community: contrast or dynamic unity of innovations and traditions".

Since 2000 I am a member of the sector of librarians, staff and long life education of RLA. As a result of coordination of interactivity between Moscow, St. Petersburg and Kemerovo State Universities of Culture and Arts there was a new educational Standard of higher library education; the contents and specifications of the new Standard were reported on professional forums and publications.

Activity within scientific-creative inter-university team in development of State Educational Standard of higher library education.

Since 1999 I worked and have developed two new curricula: "Linguistic means of library-information technology" (qualification "Librarian, bibliographer, teacher"); "Linguistic maintenance of automated library information systems" (qualification "Technologist of automated resources"). The curricula are the result of many years of study in the given authorized course in Kemerovo State University of Culture and Arts.

Activity in the UNESCO Programme “Information for All” in Russia. I’m the director of Kuzbass Information Technology Research Institute of Social Sphere (KITRISS). KITRISS is a regional center for the UNESCO Programme “Information for All” in Siberia. The main theme of research which is conducted under my guidance is “A person’s information culture formation”. For the details: <http://nii.art.kemerovonet.ru/english/>

Activity in Russian professional periodicals.

In the professional journal “School library (Shkolnaya biblioteka) I’m a columnist of “Information culture” where I publish my own articles and the articles of other scientists and practitioners interested in the problem.

Activity in the Dissertations’ Councils for defending doctors’ degrees in specialities:

“Theory and history of culture”;

“Museums’ study, conservation and restoration of historical-cultural objects” in the Kemerovo State University of Culture and Arts;

Library studies, bibliography studies and books’ studies” in State Public Scientific-technical Library of the Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences in Novosibirsk.

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Member Southeast Georgia Regional Library Board: 2003+; President: 2004+

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Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. 2002-2004.

Member, Editorial Board, Information Research

(<http://InformationR.net/ir/editors.html>)

Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Internet Cataloging

Member, Editorial Board, CyberMetrics

Recent Publications

Book:

June Lester and Wallace Koehler, Fundamentals of Information Studies:
Understanding Information and Its Environment. NY: Neal-Shuman, 2003.

Peer review articles 2003-04

“A longitudinal study of Web pages continued: a report after six years.”

Information Research 9 (2) 2004, paper 174 [Available at
<http://InformationR.net/ir/9-2/paper174.html>]

“Professional Values and Ethics as Defined by ‘The LIS Disciple’”

Journal of Education for Library and Information Science 44 (2) 2003:
99-119.

Conference presentations 2003

“An Information Ethics for the Transmission, Content, Interpretation Professions
– A Syncretic Code?” Ethics of Electronic Information in the
21st Century Symposium, Memphis, Tennessee, October 23-26, 2003

“Digital Libraries, Digital Containers, ‘Library Patrons’, and Visions
for the Future” Toward A User-Centered Approach to Digital Libraries
Conference, Espoo, Finland, September 8-9, 2003.

Wallace Koehler and Vera Blair, “Distance Education in Library and
Information Science Discipline: The Valdosta State University Case.”
Informing Science Conference, Pori, Finland, June 24-27, 2003.

“A Transnationalism of Library and Information Science in the Digital
Age” Libraries, Civil Society and Social Development Conference

Proceeding,. Sofia, Bulgaria, November 14-16, 2002, ed H.K. Achleitner and A. Dimchev, Sofia, 2004: pp. 241-50.

Invited presentations 2003

“Trois codes déontologiques comparés – Le Code Déontologique du Bibliothécaire de l’Association des Bibliothécaires Français, The Code of Ethics of the American Library Association, et El Código de Ética del Colegio de Bibliotecarios de Chile, un petit discours, Congrès de l’Association des bibliothécaires français, Aubagne, June 13-16 2003.

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Website of the Netherlands Public Library Association covers most of my work published. It is the webpage of our association. I maintain the English part, which aims to address issues of interests for foreign colleagues; it also gives the results of various international seminars and contacts I have been organising. Most recently, this was a European conference on library buildings and policies. Proceedings, also in English, are forthcoming.

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Special Libraries Association (SLA)

Member since 1972; Nominating Committee Chair 2005-2006 and Chair-elect 2004-2005; Hall of Fame Award 2004; Board of Directors, 1998-2001, SLA Fellow 1997; Several association committees, including Chair and Member International Relations 1992-1998; Leadership and Management Division; Science and Technology Division, Chair 1988-1991, Treasurer 1986-1988; Washington, D.C. & Maryland Chapters.

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)

Standing Committee on Library Theory and Research 1998-2002, 2002-2006
Information Coordinator and Editor of LTR Newsletter.

Standing Committee on Information Technology 1989-1993, 1993-1997

Projects:

Material for Cuba

GUI Icons

Information Technology Section Leaflets in IFLA's five languages

American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST)

As a long-standing member of ASIST, has worked on committees and presented papers at ASIST conferences.

Previously

Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory, Information Resources Manager, Business and Information Services Department; Technical Program Manager of Computer Systems, Administrative Services Department; Supervisor and Technical Reference Librarian The R. E. Gibson Library, over a period of 35 years. Awarded The Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory Lawrence Hafstad Fellowship for the academic year 1999-2000 to conduct research on knowledge management and end-user work environments 2010. The work was in collaboration with the Johns Hopkins University, Milton S. Eisenhower Library's Digital Knowledge Center.

Additional

Extensive writings include a book, book chapters, book reviews, and more than 40 articles. Gives workshops, seminars, and conference presentations, nationally and internationally.

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Teaching areas:

Knowledge management, library & information services, management, special and one person libraries and librarianship, information policy and transfer, information and the organisation, information law, policy and regulation.

Research interests in:

Geoscience and technology information policy;
Political perception of public libraries in Australia;
One person libraries and librarianship;
Library education and accreditation.

Previously

Worked in special and one person libraries in the mining sector in Western Australia.

Website Link

<http://smi.curtin.edu.au/infostudies/index.cfm>

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Other areas of professional interest:

Editor in Chief: *LIBRES*: an electronic journal of library and information science research and research in practice URL: <http://libres.curtin.edu.au/>

Professional society memberships include:

IFLA – personal member;
Professional member of the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA);
National President 1997;
Awarded Fellowship of ALIA, (FALIA)
Currently member of reference committees on Public Libraries, and Research;
Professional member of Australian Geoscience Information Association Incorporated (AGIA);
Member of SLA

Local government:

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