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IFLA NEWS

FROM THE SECTIONS

The IFLA « User Education Round Table » has been changed to « the Information Literacy Section » beginning 1 September 2002.
Now is the time to join the new and very important « IFLA Information Literacy Section » because it will give you new ideas on how to teach information skills to library users. Provide you with opportunities to exchange information and ideas about information literacy globally. Let you share publications and presentations related to information literacy. Provide a forum for discussions related to information literacy. How can current IFLA members join the new Information Literacy Section?

Associations and institutions should have the highest officer contact IFLA Headquarters to register as a member.

Personal and student members should contact IFLA Headquarters to register either by substituting this section for another or by paying an additional EUR 45. How can people become new members to IFLA and the new Information Literacy Section?
An application form should be submitted to IFLA Headquarters
http://www.ifla.org/III/members/index.htm This is the moment you have been waiting for to join IFLA so you can become active in information literacy activities.

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The Round Table « Mobile Libraries » (RTML) has been elevated to an IFLA section. The formal change will take place at the IFLA Conference in Glasgow in August 2002.
As a result of this, the RTML wishes to recruit members of its new section. We therefore wish to request you to assist us reach as many members as possible. We would highly appreciate if you announce this news to all your members in your Library Association/Section/Round Table and also in your newsletter.
By joining as members you will participate in:

- Promoting the importance and value of mobile libraries for effective equity of access to information for all residents, particularly in remote and rural areas.
- Dissemination of information worldwide on best practices in mobile library services.
- Promoting Regional, National and International initiatives to improve/create literacy and library services via mobile libraries.
- Promoting international standards for mobile libraries in technological environment.
- Providing professional and information advice on the establishment and development of mobile library services.
- Promoting the use of mobile libraries in cross-types of library initiatives in the provision of access to information for life long learning.
- Advocating the use of mobile libraries to serve the needs of special populations such as women, families, indigenous peoples, unemployed, elderly and school dropouts.

All new members to submit application forms to IFLA headquarters. The forms are available on IFLANET at http://www.ifla.org/III/members/index.htm

We look forward to your positive support on this cause.

**NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIONS**

This is advance notice that a call for nominations for:

- President-elect 2003-2005 (to serve as President 2005-2007)
- Vacancies for places on the Governing Board to serve 2003-2005
- Vacancies on Section Standing Committees to serve 2003-2007 will be issued in October this year.

The closing date for nominations will be set for February 2003. Elections will be held by postal ballot during March and April 2003. Those elected will take up their positions during the IFLA conference to be held in Berlin in August 2003.

**THE IFLA INTERNET MANIFESTO**

Unhindered access to information is essential to freedom, equality, global understanding and peace. Therefore, the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) asserts that:

- Intellectual freedom is the right of every individual both to hold and express opinions and to seek and receive information; it is the basis of democracy; and it is at the core of library service.
- Freedom of access to information, regardless of medium and frontiers, is a central responsibility of the library and information profession.
- The provision of unhindered access to the Internet by libraries and information services supports communities and individuals to attain freedom, prosperity and development.
- Barriers to the flow of information should be removed, especially those that promote inequality, poverty, and despair.
Freedom of Access to Information, the Internet and Libraries and Information Services

Libraries and information services are vibrant institutions that connect people with global information resources and the ideas and creative works they seek. Libraries and information services make available the richness of human expression and cultural diversity in all media.

The global Internet enables individuals and communities throughout the world, whether in the smallest and most remote villages or the largest cities, to have equality of access to information for personal development, education, stimulation, cultural enrichment, economic activity and informed participation in democracy. All can present their interests, knowledge and culture for the world to visit.

Libraries and information services provide essential gateways to the Internet. For some they offer convenience, guidance, and assistance, while for others they are the only available access points. They provide a mechanism to overcome the barriers created by differences in resources, technology, and training.

Principles of Freedom of Access to Information via the Internet

Access to the Internet and all of its resources should be consistent with the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights and especially Article 19:

*Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.*

The global interconnectedness of the Internet provides a medium through which this right may be enjoyed by all. Consequently, access should neither be subject to any form of ideological, political or religious censorship, nor to economic barriers.

Libraries and information services also have a responsibility to serve all of the members of their communities, regardless of age, race, nationality, religion, culture, political affiliation, physical or other disabilities, gender or sexual orientation, or any other status.

Libraries and information services should support the right of users to seek information of their choice.

Libraries and information services should respect the privacy of their users and recognize that the resources they use should remain confidential.

Libraries and information services have a responsibility to facilitate and promote public access to quality information and communication. Users should be assisted with the necessary skills and a suitable environment in which to use their chosen information sources and services freely and confidently.

In addition to the many valuable resources available on the Internet, some are incorrect, misleading and may be offensive. Librarians should provide the information and resources for library users to learn to use the Internet and electronic information efficiently and effectively. They should proactively promote and facilitate responsible access to quality networked information for all their users, including children and young people.

In common with other core services, access to the Internet in libraries and information services should be without charge.

Implementing the Manifesto

IFLA encourages the international community to support the development of Internet accessibility worldwide, and especially in developing countries, to thus obtain the global benefits of information for all offered by the Internet.

IFLA encourages national governments to develop a national information infrastructure which will deliver Internet access to all the nation's population.

IFLA encourages all governments to support the unhindered flow of Internet accessible information via libraries and information services and to oppose any attempts to censor or inhibit access.

IFLA urges the library community and decision makers at national and local levels to develop strategies, policies, and plans that implement the principles expressed in this Manifesto.

This Manifesto was prepared by IFLA/FAIFE.

AFRICA SECTION NEWS

REGIONAL SECTION STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING. DAKAR, SENEGAL. 5-7 FEBRUARY 2002

PRESENT:
13 members of the Standing Committee attended this meeting. Apologies from 3 members.

The meeting was held in Dakar, Sénégal at the Dakar University Library, where is located the IFLA Regional Office.

The following items of the Agenda has been discussed.

1°) Confirmation of the minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting held on 19 & 24 August in Boston, U.S.A.

2°) Standing Committee Meetings at IFLA General Conference

3°) IFLA Africa Section Strategic plan – 2002-2003 : Implementation and actions

Various comments, changes and additions were suggested and agreed to.

4°) African Summit on Preservation in Africa : framework, funding, venue, participants, dates.

The framework of the Summit will be :
- to evaluate all the work done to date
- to consolidate achievements
- to decide how to go forward
- what direction it should go
- how relevant the programme is
- impact of the programme on the continent

5°) IFLA Glasgow Papers : selection of papers and the African speakers

The following papers were selected for presentation at the IFLA 2002 conference:

Paper for the Division: Denise Nicholson
Paper for Africa Section Open Session: Anna-Marie Arnold, Serema Batlang (SIDA Grant) and Nafissatou Bakhoum (Possibly Danida grant). Charles O’Omekwa and Peter Lor will be back-ups if the any of the others can’t make it.

6°) Carnegie Travel Grant

It has been suggested that the grant be called the IFLA/Africa Regional Section Travel Grant.

Criteria for the Grant: :
- Candidates from 8 Commonwealth countries in Africa
- Public Library
- Young professional,
- Minimum 5 years
- Working experience and professional interest
- Academic qualifications.

7°) DANIDA Grant

Mrs Birgitta Sandell IFLA-ALP Programme Director will meet with Glasgow LOC in mid-March to do the final selection of 2002 grantees. 194 Applications were received from Africa. 30 preliminary selections done by small group in Dakar – first round from which 12 will be selected.

8°) Caucus Meeting

It was decided to have an African Caucus meeting at IFLA Glasgow.

9°) IFLA/ALP PROJECTS

List of approved projects and planned activities in Africa has been submitted by Mrs Birgitta Sandell and discussed.

The Candidates for the Bart Nwafor Programme for 2003 will be selected provided that funding is available. Financial reports required for 2001 candidates. 2002 USD for one month is available for each candidate. 5 candidates can be accommodated. Suggestions for hosting candidates should be submitted to Henri Sene.

Candidates approved for 2003:

Usman A Ibrahim, Nigeria
Edith Luitwana, Uganda
Kanyane Mdemane, South Africa
Anna D Kessy, Ethiopia
Elizabeth Fokamnee Tchanang, Cameroon

IV
10°) Report - IFLA HQ
Mr Sjoerd Koopman IFLA Coordinator of Professional Activities reported on activities implemented by IFLA

Since the new Rules & Statutes were adopted, the IFLA Governing Board now has 23 members. Mrs Kay Raseroka from Botswana, President-elect and Ellen Tise from South Africa are members of the Board.

The call for the next round of elections/nominations will be done in October this year. The Africa Section should attempt to get all 20 members to serve on the Standing Committee.

11°) Pan Africa/Arab Conference

The proceedings are ready. 45 participants from more than 30 countries attended the conference. Many persons were people involved in the day-to-day managerial positions in public and school libraries.

The Manifesto for Public Libraries and Guidelines for School Libraries were discussed at the conference. Lively discussions took place. Delegates each presented country reports. It was a very successful and interesting event. It is hoped that it will be followed up one-way or the other.

12°) IFLA/Division 8

The Governing Board approved concrete proposals made by the small working group. Awaiting further details from Mrs Rashidah Begum, Chair of the Division 8

13°) Impact of Africa Section on the Continent

Problems:

- Low IFLA membership
- Integration with other sections slow
- Attendance of meetings and conferences still a problem
- Visibility in other Standing Committees
- Financial problem to recommendation and integration with other sections

Suggestions:

- Make Africa Section more visible in Africa
- Recruit Africa members for IFLA
- Standing Committee members to hold meetings in regions/attend regional conferences
- Try to fill vacancies on the Standing Committees – Jacinta Were to contact Sjoerd Koopman to establish procedures for the filling of the vacancies.
- Improve communication – send information to all Africa Section members – not just Standing Committee members.
- Get list of Africa participants at IFLA conferences
- Become members of other IFLA Sections
- Follow-up on corresponding members

The next annual meeting to be held end of February 2003 in Kenya, Nigeria or Angola. Mrs Jacinta Were, Mr Bumni Alegbeleye and Mrs Maria Jose Faria Ramos to work out costs. Mrs Jacinta Were and Mrs Ellen Tise will make the final decision.

PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION. PAC REPORT 2001

Workshop

The workshop « Safeguarding African Documentary Heritage » co-organised by South African colleagues and PAC – Paris was supported by UNESCO. It gathered 16 participants (most of them were Library or Archives Directors) From 13 countries (Angola, Botswana, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, Swaziland, Togo, Zambia, Zimbabwe).

Marie-Thérèse Varlamoff and Virginie Kremp were responsible for a number of sessions.

JICPA

The 6th JICPA (Joint IFLA/ICA Committee on Preservation in Africa) meeting took place in Cape Town – March 1-2, chaired by the new chairman, Mohammed Benjelloun. JICPA Financial situation was presented as critical and the involvement of some members was judged not sufficient. Thanks to the cooperation of Alain Godonou from the Ecole du Patrimoine Africain in Benin, who had been invited by PAC to the meeting, a JICPA website was created http://epa-prema.net/jicpa.
Abderrazzaq Alli from ESI (Ecole des Sciences de l’Information – Morocco) distributed a JICPA brochure, published by ESI and translated into French by PAC.

The future of JICPA appears very uncertain due mostly to financial difficulties, although PAC is still determined to develop training activities in favour of African libraries.

AFRICA SECTION TRAVEL GRANT

These candidates has been approved by the selection committee:
Mpopi Kgaodi - Botswana
Ekua Tachie-Menson - Ghana
Jared E. Oriwa - Kenya
Olabode Arawande - Nigeria
Esther S. Rugakingira - Tanzania
Charlotte Kyomuhangi - Uganda
Njenjo Kabyema - Zambia

Mrs Jacinta Were, wrote to the grantees:

« On behalf of the IFLA/Africa Section, I congratulate you all on your successful application for the Africa Section Travel Grant to IFLA conference in Glasgow. It is a golden opportunity in once life to attend the IFLA conference. I hope that you will make the best out of it and share the experience with your professional colleagues at home ».

« The impact of any profession in any country lies in the strength and success of its National Professional Association. You are given this opportunity to attend the conference with a hope that you will make use of the experience to support your National Professional Associations and contribute to the development of the profession in your country ».

IFLA Africa Section is grateful to the donors that have made it possible and particularly to the International Network for Availability of Scientific Publications (INASP) for the continuous support they have so far given Africa Section.

AFRICA SECTION PROGRAMME

Please take note of the following items on the Glasgow Conference Programme:

1. Saturday 17th August - Africa Caucus - 17.30-18.30
2. Sunday 18th August - Africa Section Standing Committee Meeting-1 8.30-11.20
3. Sunday 18th August - Orientation for Newcomers 13.00-14.20
4. Tuesday 20th August - Africa Section Open Forum - 11.15-13.45
   Three papers will be presented as listed in the Programme
3. Friday 23rd August - Africa Section Standing Committee Meeting-2 10.15-12.15

Also take note of Division VIII Open Forum on Wednesday 21st August at 11.15-13.45

Please keep these dates in your diaries and request your library associations to announce to those attending the conference.

Mrs Jacinta Were, Chair Africa Section take this opportunity to invite suggestion on the Africa Caucus forum:
- What is the best way of handling this meeting?
- What items would you like to see on the Agenda?

AFRICAN PAPERS

Sunday 18 August

*Politique du livre et de la lecture au Sénégal
Mariétou Diongue DIOP (Direction du livre et de la lecture, Dakar – Sénégal) (Reading).

Monday 19 August

*The role of libraries in a developing society – A Zimbabwean experience.
UNO NILSSON (County Library of Halland, Halmstad, Sweden) (Libraries for Children and Young Adults).

* Challenges and strategies of library associations : an overview and examples of Uganda. TBA (Management of Library Associations).

*Women, Democracy and Participation in the Information Society Louisa MAYER (Tshwane Metropolitan Library and Information Services, Pretoria, South Africa) (Women Issues).

*From information to knowledge Solomon MAHARA (University of South Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa) (School libraries).

Tuesday 20 August

*Delivering Information to the community in the New Millenium : A Challenge for Librarians in Africa. (Africa Section).

*Community information structures in Botswana : a challenge for librarians BATLANG COMMA SEREMA (Gaborone, Botswana) (Africa Section).

*Service à distance et Services de proximité en milieu africain : quels défis pour le bibliothécaire en tant que vecteur de développement ? Nafissatou BAKHOUM (Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, Sénégal) (Africa Section).

Wednesday 21 August

*Le rôle de la bibliothèque du Centre Djoliba dans le renforcement de la démocratie au Mali et la diffusion du savoir. Lamine CAMARA (Centre Djoliba, Bamako, Mali) (Art Libraries Workshop).


*La formation des bibliothécaires de référence à l’EBAD de Dakar (Sénégal) Mody SOW (Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, Sénégal) (Reference Work).

*The information-starved – is there any hope of reaching the super information highway, Denise NICHOLSON (University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa). (Regional Activities. Division 8).

ALP NEWS

2001 ALP ANNUAL REPORT

Background

The mission of the Advancement of Librarianship Programme (ALP) is to further the library profession, library institutions and library and information services in the developing countries of Africa, Asia and Oceania, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Within the special ALP areas, the Medium-Term Programme (MTP) goals are to assist in continuing education and training; to support the development of library associations; to promote the establishment and development of library and information services to the general public, including the promotion of literacy; and to promote the introduction of new technology into library services.

The scope of ALP is wide. Cooperation with relevant IFLA professional bodies and with regional and international organisations is therefore essential for the implementation of the programme.

ALP achieves its goals through a carefully planned programme of different activities in close cooperation with IFLA’s Regional Offices, IFLA’s Regional Division and its three sections, and other partners. This cooperation includes activities such as fund-raising, scholarships and attachment programmes, conferences, seminars and workshops, pilot projects, publications and databases.

Staff and Finance

IFLA, Uppsala University and 17 Nordic library associations and institutions fund the International Focal Point (IFP) for ALP at Uppsala University Library. Danida pays for one half-time position and for translations and publications. Sida funds are also used for the secretariat. To this should be added
contributions in kind from Uppsala University Library.

The ALP IFP was staffed by: Birgitta Sandell Director of the Programme, Gunilla Natvig, Administrative Officer (half-time) and Karin Lindblom, Administrative Assistant (40%).

Professional Activities

The sponsors in 2001 were Sida, Danida, Finnida, the Finnish Library Association, the Swedish Library Association and Norad. In addition, those responsible for projects in the regions contributed with their own resources and raised considerable funds from external sources.

ALP Meetings and Seminars

Training seminar on the conception of websites and searching on Internet (p. 143). The workshop was organised by Mamadou Ndoye, Director of Bibliothèque de l'Université Gaston Berger and took place in Dakar, Senegal, 9-14 July. The objectives of the workshop were to train professionals to create web sites in order to make an easy access to documents in libraries and to encourage interlibrary exchange. The 12 delegates came from Morocco, Algeria, Ivory Cost, Guinea, Mauritania, Cape Verde, Togo, Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger and Senegal.

Sida funded the workshop. A final report from the workshop has been received.

African/Arab Conference on Public and School Librarianship (p. 147). The conference took place in Rabat, Morocco, September 19-21. The objectives were to provide a plan of action for public library development for the future; to standardise and formulate guidelines and to strengthen co-operation and networking amongst public libraries in the region. There were 43 participants from 23 African countries. The meeting has been described in IFLA Journal 27(2001) 5/6 by Kay Raseroka. Part of the seminar was funded by Finnida and Sida. The proceedings of the seminar will be published by IFLA.

1st Latin American meeting on local information services as a tool for community participation (p.339) 18-21 September in Medellin, Colombia. More than 200 people from different countries in Latin America discussed library services related to local needs. There were exhibitions, presentations, round tables and working groups. The proceedings have been published on a CD-ROM. Sida contributed to the workshop.

Training workshop on information technology and preservation awareness raising (p.256). This workshop took place in Fiji, 29 October to 2 November. The workshop brought personnel from the Oceania region together at the University of the South Pacific Library for a four day intensive workshop on information technology and one-day awareness raising programme on the preservation of library materials. There were 19 participants from Fiji, Cook Islands, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu. Sida funded the workshop.

International conference for library and information science educators in the Asia Pacific region (p. 250). The conference was held on 11-12 June, in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia and it brought together 50 LIS educators from all over the Asia Pacific Region. 22 papers were presented from 12 countries: Malaysia, Singapore, New Zealand, Australia, Taiwan, Pakistan, Iran, Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand, Kuwait, India and Nepal. A majority of the papers focused on the issues of competencies and core curriculum from a wide range of perspectives - competencies required in various types of information services today, IT-related competencies, and competencies for multi-disciplinary programmes integrating traditional library science with knowledge management, information management and information systems. A small number of papers looked at LIS specialisations, distance learning, Web-based instruction, and the grading of student assignments. Sida contributed to the workshop.

IFLA’s General Conference in Boston

Danida Travel Grants

In 1998 Danida allocated a yearly sum of DKK 900 000, for the setting up of a Conference Travel grant to enable librarians from developing countries to attend the IFLA General Conferences. To start with, the grant runs for a three-year period and the IFLA Boston Conference 2001 was the third conference to which the grant could be applied. The sponsorship covered registration, travel, accommodation and a daily allowance. 30 candidates were selected for support.
Unfortunately, there were problems for many of the candidates to obtain visas and in the end five grantees had not been granted a visa.

In addition to the general conference, six of the Danida grantees were selected and invited to attend satellite conferences, five to the pre-conference in Quebec, Canada, August 14-16, "Education and research for marketing and quality management in libraries". One person was selected to attend the pre-conference in Chester, Vermont "Continuing professional education". Two grantees were denied a visa to Canada even though they had already received a visa to the USA. For one it was possible to change the date of the ticket but for the other one there were no seats left for a later arrival to Boston. Fortunately, the organisers accepted a late registration and he could attend the pre-conference "Future places: reinventing libraries in the digital age" at Boston Northeastern university, 15-17 August.

**Speakers Grants**

With money from Sida ALP supported two people who had been selected to present papers at the Conference in the Open Sessions of the Regional Sections. Ramli Abdul Samad, University Sains Malaysia presented his paper "Integration of Central Asian libraries into the international library society". George Shibanda, Moi University Library, Kenya presented his paper "Skill and competencies for digital information management in Africa".

Birgitta Sandell and Gunilla Natvig participated in the Boston Conference and took part in the Regional Standing Committee meetings.

**IFLA Regional Standing Committee Meetings**

The annual meeting of the Regional Standing Committees in their own regions are most important for the development of ALP.

Birgitta Sandell participated in the Africa Section meeting in Cape Town, South Africa. Gunilla Natvig participated in the meeting of the Section for Asia and Oceania in Penang, Malaysia and in the Latin American and the Caribbean Section meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

**Scholarships and Attachments**

In Service Training, Attachments, for Middle or Senior Staff Four persons were selected for attachments in 2001 at institutions in the region: Ms Swe Swe Myint, Myanmar; Ms Mary Ann Ingua, Philippines, MD Mozibur Rahman Sarker, Bangladesh and Tong Qingsong, China. Host institutions were: National Library of Malaysia, Hong Kong University Libraries and the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Library. This project is funded by the Swedish and Finnish Library Associations.

The candidates were selected by the Advisory and Appraisal Committee of the Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania.

The Bart Nwafor Staff Development Programme in Africa started in 1997 with funding from Norad. The Regional Office for Africa is responsible for the programme and ALP IFP holds and disburses the funds and gives a statement of accounts to Norad. Selected for 2001 were: Blessing Ngozi Okeagu, Nigeria, Assane Faye, Senegal, Paul Ssemwanga, Uganda, Ms Mary Mwelwa, Zambia, Hikwa Mkuleko, Zimbabwe, Duncan Mboma, Malawi.

**Other Ongoing Projects**

In cooperation with the IFLA Africa Regional Section and IFLA’s Regional Office for Africa, ALP participated at the Zimbabwe International Book Fair, in Harare, 4-7 August. Ms Carole Rioga, University of Zimbabwe Library, was responsible for the stand and the exhibition. The stand was paid for by money from Sida.

Journal of librarianship and information science in Africa/Revue de bibliothéconomie et science de l'information en Afrique (p. 24) The first issue of the journal was published in 2001, and the next two issues are planned for in 2002. The project is funded by Sida.

The development of self-training package for information retrieval using distance education approach (p. 246). The project has started this year and will be carried out in Thailand. It is funded by Sida.

Establishment of libraries in prisons and other correctional institutions (p 349). It is a large project that is also supported by the State of Rio de Janeiro government. With funds from Sida ALP is supporting two workshops and the
preparation of a manual. The project will serve as a model for other countries.

New readers (p 341). This is a pilot project carried out in Rio de Janeiro. A tutor manual has been produced and in order to test the method two courses have been held. Participants were people over 18 years from the "favelas" with poor literacy skills. Sida supported part of the project.

Minor Field Studies (MFS). Sida has a cooperation programme with Swedish universities, Minor Field Studies (MFS), and the ALP secretariat is administering this programme within the library field. The programme aims at giving Swedish students the opportunity to carry out a two months study in a developing country. In 2001 one student studied library activities in Mali. Two students carried out a study on "Reading promotion for the whole population in Penang, Malaysia?". Host institution was Penang Public Library Corporation. Another two students studied "Information about AIDS in Botswana". Two students were in Guatemala and carried out a study called "Collaboration between the Royal Library/National Library of Sweden and the National Library and public libraries in Guatemala".

PUBLICATIONS

ALP Project Report Series (ISSN 1023-8212)
The following issues were published in 2001:


ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFRICAN LIBRARIES LISTSERVE

The National Library of South Africa announces with pleasure that the African Libraries Listserve (Aflib-L) has now been reactivated. It was temporarily discontinued while a new e-mail system was being implemented.

If you are already an Aflib-L subscriber, you will have received the earlier announcement that was sent out to list members only. If you are not yet a subscriber, you are warmly invited to subscribe. Information about the list is given below.

What is AFLIBL?

The African Libraries Listserve is a forum for African libraries and their colleagues who seek to overcome the professional isolation which presents one of the barriers to library development in Africa.

AFLIB-L is an open, lightly moderated discussion list. Its aim is to encourage contact between and communication among professionals on the continent. Let us break down the barriers of isolation through the exchange of ideas. It is administered by the National Library of South Africa, and supported by the Africa Section of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) and the Standing Conference of African National and University Libraries - East Central and Southern Africa (SCANUL-ECS).

It is open not only to members of IFLA and SCANUL-ECS, but to all libraries and information workers (including documentalists, archivists and information managers), teachers of librarianship and information work, researchers in library and information science, and others with an interest in librarianship and information work who are working in Africa or have a strong interest in Africa.

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**THE MODEL CHILDREN'S LIBRARY**

The UK has a tremendous history of providing high quality, innovative library services for children and young people. To celebrate this and to share ideas with colleagues internationally, IFLA 2002 in Glasgow will house a model children's library as part of the main conference exhibition area.

This is only the second time in the 75 year history of IFLA conferences that this has been attempted. The library is being planned by the Youth Libraries Group, in collaboration with IFLA's Children's, School and Reading Groups, The British Council and the City of Glasgow.

The model children's library, through imaginative layout and design, will showcase high quality books from the UK, the latest IT programmes and the British Council's touring Magic Pencil Exhibition, representing the work of 13 illustrators/authors. It will celebrate the diversity of young people's needs and demonstrate how libraries deliver knowledge, information and culture to children. It will also offer storytelling and reader development activities to local children as well as to delegates and will be a focus for high level discussion for people from throughout the world interested in working with children.

**PUBLICATIONS**

*Education and research for marketing and quality management in libraries/La formation et la recherche sur le marketing et la gestion de la qualité en Bibliothèque.*
Edited by Réjean Savard.
This publication can be ordered for EUR 78.00 (IFLA Members EURO 58.00).

*Preservation of Archives in Tropical Climates. An annotated bibliography.*
Edited by René Teygeler
This annotated bibliography is issued by the International Council on Archives, The National Archives of the Republic of Indonesia and the National Archives of the Netherlands on the occasion of the international conference « The Preservation of Archives in Tropical Climates », which was held in Jakarta 5-8 November 2001. The book is composed by employees of the National Archives of the Netherlands.

This publication can be ordered for EUR 20 at IFLA HQ.

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