



IFLA – Audiovisual and Multimedia Section

Meetings in Seoul 2006

As usual, the Standing Committee met twice during the IFLA Conference:

Saturday 19 August 2006 - 14:30 17:20 – Room 304

Friday 25 August 2006 – 8:30 10:50 – Room 331

Participants:

Gregory Miura (secretary and treasurer, France), Marwa El Sahn (Egypt), Maria Ines Cordeiro (Portugal) Carmen Velazquez (Spain), Sanja Vukasovic-Rogac (Croatia), Sarita Bali (India)

2nd meeting only: Bruce Royan (chair, Scotland)

1. Welcome

Due to bad transportation conditions, Bruce Royan was unable to attend the first meeting. Secretary decided to chair instead of him and welcomed the present members and guests. Self introductions of all the attendees were made. It was decided that the whole agenda would be skimmed through during the two meetings.

2. Attendant package documents

All meeting attendees were handed in a set of working documents briefly introduced by Gregory Miura, secretary of the section.

Documents summary list

- Minutes of Oslo meetings in 2005
- Membership
- Annual report
- Financial report
- Strategic plan 2005-2006
- IFLA's Professional organization – Suggestion for change
- UNESCO World Day for Audiovisual Heritage survey

3. Approval of the minutes of Oslo meetings

The minutes of the *Oslo* meetings were approved.

4. Approval of financial report

This report was approved as well. Chair and secretary planned using remaining funds for the organisation of one mid-term meeting.

5. Reports from the Professional Board and Division Meetings

A series of reminders reported by the secretary of the section:

- IFLA journal is looking for papers presented in our session. We must think to select one or two for the second section meeting.

- The newcomers at IFLA conference may have a special interest in the special session organised for them.
- Special attention requested on the security issue of the opening ceremony.
- IFLA is planning some organisation important adjustments. FAIFE program gains a more strategic place in moving from Copenhagen to The Hague. IFLA is also planning to open two new regional offices, one for Russia and one for Arabic speaking countries. A call for candidates to host such office will be made within the end of the year.
- IFLA secretary general Peter Lor has contacted the Swiss group of the WSIS in Geneva in order to follow the activity of the summit and determining an IFLA position of the principles established in the different conferences of the WSIS. A WSIS contact group has been created with a coordinator representing IFLA HQ.
- There has been a controversy regarding the Geography and Map section conference session this year on toponymy between Japanese and Korean uses of terms related to Japan rule over Korea period.

6. Seoul Conference – facts and plans

Section members exchanged information about events and sessions during the conference. Few sessions were localized on the programme as institutional repository and advocacy were the main themes debated this year

The Section dinner will be held during the week in order to meet section members that cannot attend section business meetings. The chair of the section managed also to invite all speakers of our session this year. We would like to thank warmly for his help, Hee-Sop Kim, as division contact for this event becoming traditionnal.

7. *Special hearing of Professional Committee regarding results of review process*

IFLA HQ and Professional committee considered as really important the participation to this quite short session to take the first reactions to the recommendations resulting of the review process. It's important to notice for AVMS that in 2007 we may be under recommended quantitative number to be a section anymore. We have to think on whether it's important for us or not. And in a second place, that these recommendations are only a first step previous to more deep changes in political and professional orientations of the organization. Bruce Royan agreed to send to PC a reminder of all the recommendations we already made in our review enquiry form. The fact is that audiovisual and multimedia may be addressed as a speciality within librarianship world but also as a transverse theme across many library sectors.

8. *UNESCO World Day for Audiovisual Heritage survey*

There is now a consensus on such a day focusing on audiovisual and multimedia heritage and not a general day on archives. The section should prepare something linked to this special occasion. The idea of a poster was outlined. Sanja Vukasovic-Rogac explained that her library is planning a conference on music collections within general public libraries and she want to integrate AVM section in the organisation of such a manifestation.

9. Projects

- ISBD Review

Carmen Velazquez agreed to be the contact person for the ISBD Review group in order to bring forward accurate examples of the treatment of non book material for use in the revised version of the consolidated standard.

- Survey on the legal deposit of Audiovisual and Multimedia materials

Gregory Miura reported. There have been delays in collecting information. The quantitative report may be ready for Durban and Gregory Miura suggested it may be possible to integrate it into our session next year (see proposed topics below). Gregory Miura also mentioned that the French institution for legal deposit of radio and television broadcasting (Institut national de l'Audiovisuel) is conducting a comparable study in this specific part of the question. There has been agreement that the results should be brought together.

- Extending AMIA/Library of Congress MIC (Moving Image Collections) beyond North America to cover developing countries:

Marwa El Sahn reported on behalf of Samira Sambaino and James Turner. They had a three days business session in Montreal in late July. After defining clearly the scope of localization, project is now ready to go on for the last phase of student hiring to define the set of indicators for localizing MIC project in French, Spanish and Arabic. They should be skilled both in technical aspects and translation to fulfil the requirements of this project. There were some questions about the different regulations concerning hiring procedures in the three participating countries. Marwa outlined also that one of the main possibilities to make this work visible and useful is to promote integration of moving image collection from around the world to be requested though MIC website. This point may be elaborated during the conference session.

- AVMS bookmarks:

Section received a pack of 600 promotional bookmarks due to the great advocacy of Sanja Vukasovic-Rogac and kindness of Davorka Bastic Head of Zagreb Public Libraries. The production of quality bookmarks will be very helpful to the section in accompanying all our communications and advocacy initiatives for the coming year, both in distant information work and during important milestones such as the yearly IFLA World Library and Information Congress. An acknowledgement letter will be sent.

10. Evaluation of the Seoul Conference

With an attendance estimated of an average of 90 people, Audiovisual and Multimedia joint session with IT section was quite good and really diverse in content. Sometimes, the short presentation time allowed to each speaker may have complicated a good understanding of some very technical topics. Chair Bruce Royan proposed Gregory Miura paper "Pushing the boundaries of traditional heritage policy: Maintaining long-term access to multimedia content by introducing emulation and contextualization instead of accepting inevitable loss." as a candidate for the IFLA journal. A final draft is needed for submission. As it was, for a lot of members, the first time in this part of Asia, we may regret a presentation session on library history and structure in the country who hosts the conference. In this perspective and to some

extent, section members should provide context information on their country libraries specially in audiovisual and multimedia field at future SC meetings.

On the organisation of the conference, the venue was not so practical from an orientation point of view even though staff and volunteers were effective. But it was disturbing to only have the whole organisation ready a few days after the first business meetings. This point is mainly a concern for officers. Simultaneous translation was poor this year with more official language, we recommend that IFLA should adapt the translation policy to the conference country area.

11. Durban Conference – suggestions and plans

Section members discussed the possibility of a session on the subject of the presence of sound recorded collections both oral and musical in African libraries or special African sound recording collections all around the world.

Bruce Royan outlined that at the same time he has been contacted by Genealogy and Oral history section with a possibility of a joint session for Durban. It has been decided to go with this project and accept the offer.

12. Strategic Plan 2006-2007

The previous strategic plan will be updated with the actions decided during the Seoul meeting also taking into account the statements produced for the IFLA review process. This will be a new draft that will circulate by the end of the year.

The meeting could be closed. See you in Durban!!!

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