



# INFORMATION LITERACY SECTION

## NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the Secretary and Editor of the Information Literacy Section

Dear Information Literacy Section members,

Welcome to the new members of the Information Literacy section and to those who were re-elected.

As you might know, the IL section is fairly new at IFLA. This new section existed previously as the User Education Roundtable but due to increasing interest in information literacy activities worldwide the Roundtable became the [Information Literacy Section](#) in 2002. I must thank the members of the previous SC and particularly our chair, Jesus Lau, who launched several projects, many of them in partnership with Unesco.

It is very important that so many of you, from different parts of the world join the section because we will now be more numerous and more able to share the different tasks. For example, as we will discuss during our two meetings, there are important information and translating needs and with 22 members in the Standing Committee, I'm sure we'll do a great job of it.

The role of a Standing Committee (SC) is to be an executive committee for the section, overseeing programs, projects and activities. In order to achieve this better, it has to be a place to share ideas and projects and also a place of conviviality. It is always easier to work together when you know each other.... This is why the members of the section who wish to share a meal during the conference each year are invited to do so. The time and place is decided during the first SC meeting.

The new members of the Standing Committee are:

Albert K Boekhorst (Netherlands)  
Antonio Calderón Rehecho (Spain)  
Agnès Colnot (France)  
Nancy Dickenson (United States)  
Alison A Ernst (United States)  
Almuth Gastinger (Norway)  
Natalia I Gendina (Russian Federation)  
Gary Gorman (New Zealand)  
Dalia Naujokaitis (Canada)  
Gunilla Sundström (Sweden)  
Leena Toivonen (Finland)  
Heike vom Orde (Germany)  
Franziska Wein (Germany)

Congratulations to all of you who were successfully elected.

I would like to remind you that the election of Officers will be held during the first business meeting and that any individual, organizational and institutional members of the section are invited to participate as observers in the Standing Committee meetings.

Please, feel free to share with the section any contribution on IL that you consider interesting (conferences, news, projects, texts, reflexions, bibliographies...)

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## 1 - Activities of the section 2006-2007

### Unesco projects

Two important projects have been financed by Unesco, and we must here thank Mr Abid Abelaziz for his support.

- The International Information Literacy Resources Directory. The second release of Directory, now named "Infolit Global" was in April of this year. There are more than 900 resources. The new address is: [www.infolitglobal.info](http://www.infolitglobal.info)
- The International IL State-of-the Art Report is also a great contributions to the IL world community. The Report is in the second draft stage. The goal of the study is to identify information literacy trends around the world. The document can be consulted or downloaded at the main page of the Directory website [www.infolitglobal.info](http://www.infolitglobal.info)
- A third project is carried out by our chair Jesus Lau and this project concerns an international IL logo

Other projects were led by the section either directly by members of the section or with the involvement of other persons:

- translation of the Guidelines
- The listserv had increased in members - the number of subscribers to the list is now 108 and these come from different parts of the world. But still the communication on the listserv could become more active. Join us at <http://infoserv.inist.fr/wwsympa.fcgi/info/infolit-l> and share your questions, ideas, projects etc.

## 2 - Durban meetings:

### Gabarone Satellite meeting.

*"Developing the Library into a learning centre: a workshop based on the Information Literacy guidelines"*

**Dates:** 13-15 August 2007

**Location:** University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana

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Jointly organised by the Information Literacy section of IFLA, Unesco and the University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana

The objective of these workshops is to teach the participants to recognize key information literacy concepts and be able to draft an institutional program, using the IFLA Information Literacy Guidelines for Lifelong Learning. Participants: Registered persons.

**Website:** <http://www.ub.bw/library/ifla/>

## Standing Committee Annual Business meetings

Meeting I: Saturday August 18th, 017 SC I, 11:30 – 14:20

Meeting II: Friday, August 24th, 201 SC II, 08.30 – 10:50

- 1. Welcome**
  - a. Apologies for absences
  - b. Welcome to observers
  - c. Adoption of Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes of previous meetings**

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s42/index.htm>

  - a. SC 1, 12<sup>th</sup> August 2005 (In SC II meeting (S Chevillotte)  
<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s42/min/s42-200508-minutes.pdf>
  - b. SC 2, 21 August 2004 (Sylvie Chevillotte)  
<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s42/min/s42-200408-minutes.pdf>
- 3. Election of new officers**

<http://www.ifla.org/V/pr/officershb.pdf>

  - a. Chair
  - b. Secretary
  - c. Information Officer
- 4. IFLA Durban Division Business Report**
  - a. Report CB I Education and Research (Div VII)
  - b. Other Division matters
- 5. IL activities at the Conference**
  - a. Durban Conference Program (Linda Goff)
  - b. Booth Schedule - Volunteers
  - c. Best papers for IFLA Journal - Volunteer
  - d. President's meetings - Volunteer
- 6. Future conference / 2008-9 Annual Action planning / Part 1**
  - a. Quebec City, Canada Program, Theme: Libraries without Borders: Navigating towards Global Understanding,  
<http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla74/ann2008en.pdf>
  - b. Milan, Italy 2009 – *Libraries for the future: progress, development and partnerships*, <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla75/index.htm>
  - c. Evaluate to organize a Milan satellite workshop
- 7. Reports**
  - a. Secretary (S Chevillotte)
  - b. Financial report (J Lau)
  - c. Information Officer Report (E Tolonen (Finland))
  - d. Tasks' reports (See separate SC list)
  - e. Satellite Workshop, Information Literacy Section – Botswana (C Tovoté)
- 8. UNESCO IL Projects Reports** (See them at: [www.infolitglobal.info](http://www.infolitglobal.info))
  - a. International Information Literacy Resources Directory
  - b. International Information Literacy State-of-the-Art Directory
  - c. International IL Logo
- 9. Strategic Plan 2007-2009** (Old one at <http://www.ifla.org/V/cdoc/IFLA-StrategicPlan.htm>)
- 10. New projects / Planning Part 2**
  - a. UNESCO Information Literacy Indicators (See document)
  - b. Additional translations of the Information Literacy Guidelines
  - c. Future conference theme / Planning - Part 2
  - d. Yearly tasks for Standing Committee Members
- 11. Other business /**

## Closing of the meeting

## Sessions

### **Unesco session related to Information literacy.**

**Monday, August 20. 13.45-15.45**

*Visibility for Information Literacy Work: The International IFLA/UNESCO IL Resources Directory and the IL International State of the Art Report*

Introduction to the International IFLA/UNESCO IL Resources Directory and the IL International State of the Art Report

Jesus Lau (Universidad Veracruzana, Veracruz, Mexico), Sylvie Chevillotte (ENSSB, Lyon, France) and Linda Goff (California State University, Sacramento, USA) Group Dynamics to provide feedback about the content of the two repertories by the audience. Come and check how well your country Information Literacy efforts are represented, and learn what other regions of the world have done in this subject.

### **Academic and Research Libraries with Information Literacy sections - Two sessions on Wednesday , August 22. 08.30-10.30 and 10.45-12.45**

*Conduits for transformation: incorporating multimodal instruction and learning into information literacy*

- Knowledge Enhanced Helix: Developing information competence skills through e-collaboration.  
SONJA HIERL (Swiss Institute for Information Research, Chur, Switzerland)
- Building a Virtual Learning Commons: What do YOU want to do?  
BETTY BRAAKSMA (University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada)
- Second Life Machinima for Libraries: the intersection of instruction, outreach and marketing in a virtual world.  
BERNADETTE DALY SWANSON (University of California, Davis, USA)
- The Reflective Online Searching Skills (ROSS) Environment: embedding information literacy into student learning through an online environment.  
HELEN PARTRIDGE (Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Australia)
- Are you fit to FILE?  
SUSIE ANDREOTTA (London Metropolitan University, London, UK)
- Podcasting for Information Literacy  
REGINA ROBERTS (Stanford University, Stanford, USA)
- Developing IT-Based Teaching Materials to enhance Information Skills and Knowledge Awareness among Students.  
IDA FAJAR PRIYANTO (Gadjah Mada University Library, Yogyakarta, Indonesia)  
<http://www.ifla.org/III/misc/serve.htm>

## **3 - Projects for 2007-2008**

The projects of the section for the coming year will be discussed during the business meetings.

Several points should be discussed:

- continuation of the different IFLA/ Unesco projects (directory, State of the Art); the logo project; and maybe new ones such as an international evaluation of IL outcomes...
- IL section activities. Focusing more on translation of existing documents, on information towards members, on structuring activities, on publishing, on organizing joint activities, on **marketing our section**... Many fields are open!

#### 4—IL around the world...

If we have information about coming (or past) events in different parts of the world, that would be great! With the help of each of you, we'll try to edit a complete newsletter on Information literacy matters in the world December 2007.

Two new journals in Information Literacy have been published during the first part of the year 2007. Both are open access journals, one published in UK and the other one in USA.

The title of the UK journal is simply Journal of the Information Literacy and it is published by the Information Literacy Group, which is a part of the UK's Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CLIP) Community Services Group. Two issues of the journal have already been published. These include also refereed papers and book reviews. The editor of the new journal is Sheila Webber from the University of Sheffield and it is accessible at <http://www.informationliteracy.co.uk/JIL.aspx>

The American journal is named Communications in Information Literacy abbreviated CIL. Communications in Information Literacy (CIL) is an independent, professional, refereed electronic journal dedicated to advancing knowledge, theory, and research in the area of information literacy. CIL is committed to the principles of information literacy as set forth by the [Association of College and Research Libraries](#). CIL is also committed to the principles of open access for academic research .The first issue of the journal can be found at <http://www.comminfolit.org/index.php/cil/issue/view/Spring2007>.

In Europe there will be several events about Information Literacy:

The International Conference Lifelong Learning in the City-Region, University of Pécs, Hungary, 23-25 September, 2007 (<http://www.pascal2007conf.pte.hu/index.htm>) have accepted an offer to organize a workshop on IL in the CE European countries within the conference programme. Ralph Catts (University of Stirling, Scotland), participant of the UNESCO workshop in Slovenia 2006 is the initiator and he and Ludmilla Ticha, from Prague will be participants. They would like to explore the implications for Higher Education and consider what we can do to take forward plans for action on building Information Literacy strategies.

Following the Alexandria meeting, there will be a regional meeting in Europe, in Madrid, October 8 and 9. Christina Tovote, from our IL Section is coordinating this meeting in which five European LIS experts will participate.

We wish you a very nice summer time before our meetings in Durban

See you soon.....

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