Keynote Speaker at IFLA WLIC 2006

Dr. Dae-jung Kim

Dae-jung Kim is the 15th President of the Republic of Korea and 2000 Nobel Prize Laureate for his life long dedication to democracy and human rights in South Korea and in East Asia in general and also for the profound success of the 2000 Inter-Korean Summit Meeting. By choosing the long road of democracy, human rights and peaceful reunification, Dr. Kim had to endure many years of imprisonment, exile and house arrest. Though his life was constantly under threat, he overcame all oppression. During his time of imprisonment, he read hundreds of books on various topics, ranging from history, philosophy, economy to literature. Dr. Kim wrote many books. His book, ‘Prison Writings’ which is a book of letters that he wrote to his family after he was sentenced to death in 1980 was published in many countries around the world. His election in 1997 as the Republic’s president marked South Korea’s definitive entry among the world’s democracies.

Plenary Speaker at IFLA WLIC 2006

Dr. Sang-Wan Han

Sang-Wan Han is the President of the Korean Library Association and also the Executive Chairman of the IFLA WLIC 2006 Seoul. Additionally, he serves as Vice President of the Wonju Campus at Yonsei University. For more than 15 years, Dr. Han has been a professor for Library and Information Science at the Yonsei University. Previous positions included Director at the ‘Library and Data Bank’ and professor at Chonnam National University. He has been actively involved in several academic societies, which includes serving as the President of ‘Korean Society for Library and Information Science’ and as Executive Chairman of the ‘New School Library Solidarity Movement of Korea’. Thus far, he has produced approximately 80 articles and 7 books on the library and information service. He will give the plenary address on Tuesday 22 August at 12:24-13:45 on “NGO-Government Partnership for the Dynamic Development of Korean Libraries and the Promotion of Reading”
Social Events

A congress is more than sessions......... We would like to welcome you to have a taste of Korean culture and have an opportunity to meet colleagues and new friends outside the congress venue!

Opening Ceremony, 20 August

The Opening Ceremony will take place in Olympia Hall of the COEX from 10:30-12:30 on Sunday 20 August, with a live electro-acoustic performance of original piece of music and dance. A new vision of the library as an information hub in the 21st century will be the key message of the performance signifying progression to the future, imagination of the present, and negotiation with the past. Following presentation of a short documentary film, Korean traditional vocal performance with electro-acoustic music technology and special visual effects will fascinate the audience. Following a few congratulatory speeches, Dr. Dae-jung Kim, former president of the Republic of Korea and Nobel Peace Prize Winner will give the keynote speech.

Exhibit Party, 20 August

The opening of the exhibition will take place on Sunday 20 August from 16:00-18:00 hours at the exhibition floor in Hall 11 of the COEX.

Minister’s Gala Reception, 21 August

All delegates are invited to a fantastic reception hosted by the Minister of Culture and Tourism. The reception will take place in the Pacific Hall during the evening on Monday 21 August. Participants of WLIC 2006 will enjoy diverse traditional Korean food and wine, while the production of traditional rice cake and a variety of fried food will be demonstrated and served on-site. A traditional musical performance will highlight the evening.

Cultural Evening, 22 August

A special cultural evening will be prepared to entertain IFLA WLIC 2006 participants in the evening of Tuesday 22 August at the Sejong Center, one of the top cultural venues in Korea. The repertoire will include a variety of traditional and modern music and dance of Korea. An outstanding programme has been designed for delegates and will provide a magical dream and an unforgettable fantasy of the Korean art.

The transportation schedule to the Sejong Center will be available on the website in due time. Diner is not included.

Mayor’s Reception, 23 August

The reception hosted by the Seoul Mayor, will take place on Wednesday 23 August. As usual, a choice of buffet food will please the participants. This will be an evening you won’t want to miss.

Opening hours at the registration desk at Seoul, COEX

- Friday 18 August 13:30 - 17:30 hours
- Saturday 19 August 07:30 - 17:30 hours
- Sunday 20 August 07:30 - 17:30 hours
- Monday 21 August 07:30 - 17:30 hours
- Tuesday 22 August 07:30 - 17:30 hours
- Wednesday 23 August 07:30 - 17:30 hours
- Thursday 24 August 07:30 - 14:00 hours
Congress Exhibition in Seoul

In connection with the IFLA WLIC 2006 Seoul, an international trade exhibition will be arranged at Hall 11 of the COEX. The exhibition will be held from 20-23 August 2006. Within the exhibition areas there will be also the opportunity to use the Internet free of charge. The exhibition opening hours are:

- Sunday 20 August 13:30 - 18:00 hours
- Monday 21 August 09:00 - 17:00 hours
- Tuesday 22 August 09:00 - 17:00 hours
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Information from IFLA Headquarters

IFLA Headquarters at IFLA WLIC 2006

IFLA Staff and IFLA Officers will be available to provide a wide range of information on-site. The schedule of when officers will be present at the booth will be published in IFLA Express throughout the congress week. IFLA’s President, Alex Byrne, IFLA’s President-elect Claudia Lux, the Secretary General, Peter Lor and the Coordinator for Professional Activities, Sjoerd Koopman will also take turns staffing the booth and are ready and willing to answer questions.

How to make the most of your first IFLA Congress

IFLA will hold a meeting to welcome Newcomers to the IFLA congress - the Newcomers Session on Sunday 20 August, from 13:45-15:45. The session will feature a variety of contributions from IFLA Officers and a visual presentation. Simultaneous Interpretation will be provided and there will be ample opportunity for questions and answers. While the session is designated for first-time participants and new IFLA Members, every participant who is curious to learn more about the organisation of IFLA’s international network of Information Professionals is welcome to participate. Be sure to come by to pick up your Newcomers package and the special First Timer badge!

Tips for Newcomers

As soon as you have the programme use a highlighter pen to mark all those sessions, workshops and visits which particularly interest you. Then write them in the small Pocket programme. You will be able to identify other Newcomers by their special badges. Try to meet up with them, and share the experience of your first IFLA Congress. For answers to the most frequently asked questions about IFLA congress, please visit the congress website at www.ifla.org

Registration for Off-Site Sessions

The off-site sessions require pre-registration. There will be registration lists for all off-site events at the IFLA Headquarters Secretariat on-site, in room 317. Please make sure you register for the sessions on time as the lists are handled with a ‘first come-first served’ policy.

Fees for Day Visitors

A One Day only admission (Day ticket) is offered at 130 Euro which provides access to the meetings and the exhibition of that specific day. (Discounts for IFLA Members do not apply for Day Visitor Registrations.)

Voting at the IFLA Council Meetings

Voting Papers: Voting delegates can obtain the necessary voting papers at the IFLA Voting Office located in the Secretariat office in Room 317 at the COEX. Voting papers will be distributed only to those delegates who are in possession of the IFLA Voting Card 2006, duly signed by the appropriate authority. The Voting Office will be open in the Secretariat as from Friday, 18 August 2006. Please collect your voting papers as early as possible. Please do not leave it until the last minute!

Please note that there will only be 1 council meeting: Thursday 24 August, from 15:00-18:00 in the COEX Convention and Exhibition Centre, Room 102-103-104.
Invitation to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Access to Learning Award for 2006

All IFLA delegates are invited to the official presentation of the Access to Learning Award for 2006 on Monday 21 August, 13:30-18:00 at the COEX Convention Centre. (Check the programme for the exact location.)

The International award from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, which is managed by the Council on Library and Information Resources, is given annually to a library or library agency outside the US that has been innovative in providing free public access to information. The 1 million US Dollar grant is to help the recipient develop new initiatives. Previous award recipients include Finland’s Helsinki City Library, Argentina’s Biblioteca de Congreso, Guatemala’s Probugua and South Africa’s Smart Cape Access Project.

FAIFE Debate

The controversy over the publication in a Danish newspaper of cartoons depicting the Prophet Mohammed that offended many Muslims raises important and sensitive issues for library and information professionals. Since FAIFE exists precisely to address these types of issues, delegates of the congress in Seoul are offered the chance to debate the topic. Maybe people from countries that have a long history of intellectual freedom tend to support freedom of expression in an unquestioning and possibly insensitive way. Maybe there are others who find it difficult to see the value of free expression if what is said causes unease and distress. If so, it is a very good thing to be forced to think about questions such as ‘Is freedom of expression an absolute right of all human beings, or are there topics and circumstances where it does not apply?’ FAIFE’s values suggest that it is always a good thing to have debate, even on the most difficult issues, so you are invited to come and express your views in an open and considered way, to listen to the views of others and, we hope, leave with an enhanced understanding of the meaning and significance of free expression. Monday 21 August, 12:45-13:45 hours.

North Korean Participation

Good news! Ki-Nam Shin, President of Seoul NOC, Sang-Wan Han, Executive Chairman and Hyun-Joo Lee, Secretary General of the NOC had visited Pyongyang on the 30th November for 4 days. They had a successful meeting with high-ranking officials from the North Korean government. The IFLA WLIC 2006 Seoul NOC will invite as many North Korean Librarians as possible as part of the effort for reconciliation.

More than 30 grants for Seoul!

The Korean Government has supported about 30 delegates from developing countries (mainly Asian countries) with a full grant. The IFLA/ALP office in Sweden helped with the selection process and further arrangements.
Library Visits

The 37 best libraries in Korea that will be opened for the delegates during the Congress will show their ultra-modern facilities operating on a computerized system to provide optimal service to the people. Library Visits take place on Wednesday 23 August, Thursday 24 August and they all start at the COEX at 9:00 in the morning. The libraries are very pleased to welcome the colleagues from all over the world. A desk especially for questions regarding the Library Visits is set-up in the registration area.

Comprehensive General Libraries
- The National Library of Korea
  Wednesday 23 August, Thursday 24 August, 09:00-14:00
  Transportation: Public

- Incheon Metropolitan Gyeyang Library
  Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
  Transportation: Bus

Parliamentary Libraries
- The National Assembly Library
  Wednesday 23 August, Thursday 24 August, 09:00-14:00
  Transportation: Bus

- Jeongdok Public Library
  Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-12:00
  Transportation: Bus

Law Libraries
- Supreme Court Library of Korea
  Wednesday 23 August, Thursday 24 August, 09:00-14:00
  Transportation: Bus

- Jungwon Public Library
  Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
  Transportation: Bus

Public Libraries
- Chungnang Public Library
  Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-12:00
  Transportation: Bus

- The Gwacheon Provincial Library of Gyeonggi
  Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-12:00
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- Gwacheon Public Library of Information & Science
  Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
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- Incheon Metropolitan Yeonsu Library
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- Namsan Public Library
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- Seongbuk Digital Public Library
  Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
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- Seoksul Public Library
  Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-14:00
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- Seoksu Public Library
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Academic and Research Libraries
- The Theological Library, Catholic University of Korea
  Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
  Transportation: Bus

- Hansung University Digital Library
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Hanyang University Paiknam Academic Information Centre & Library
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Korea University Library
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The Seoul National University Library
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Sookmyung Women’s University Library
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Sogang University Loyola Library
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Presbyterian College and theological Seminary Library
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Yonsei University Central Library
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Information Centre on North Korea
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Information & Resources Centre, POSCO Research Institute
Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
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KBS Archives for Broadcast Contents
Thursday 24 August, 09:00-14:00
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Art Library & Information Centre, The Korean Culture and Arts Foundation
Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-12:00
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Korean Braille Library
Wednesday 23 August, Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
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Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information(KISTI)
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LG Sangnam Library
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Mapo Lifelong Learning Centre
Thursday 24 August, 09:00-12:00
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Nowon Children’s Library
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The Agricultural Science Library, The Rural Development Administration of Korea
Wednesday 23 August, 09:00-14:00
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KDI School of Public Policy and Management Library
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University of ULSAN ASAN Medical Library
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Jungang Girl’s High School Library
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Shin Sung High School Dong-Chun Library
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Songgok Women’s High School Library
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Transportation: Bus
Tips

Money
Foreign banknotes and traveler’s checks can be converted into Korean Won at most banks, hotels and airports. International credit cards such as Visa, Master Card, AMEX, Diners Club and JCB are widely accepted at major hotels, department stores and restaurants in Seoul.

Temperature
In mid-August when the IFLA WLIC 2006 will be held, the late summer weather will provide pleasant mornings with a low of 19 degrees Celsius and a high of 30 degrees during the day.

Airports
- COEX—Kimpo Airport
  - Location of Bus Stop: No. 3 Stop of Domestic Line
  - Operating Hours: 07:15 - 22:15

- COEX—Incheon Int’l Airport
  - Location of Bus Stops: 3B East, 10B West
  - Operating Hours: 05:20 - 22:30 (5-10 min. interval)
  - Safe and comfortable service: City Airport Terminal located in the Trade Center operates the non-stop limousine bus between COEX and Incheon Int’l Airport/Kimpo Airport, and Korean Airline, Asiana Airline and Singapore Airline are offering kind and quick service for check-in and immigration.
  - Cost: approximately Euro 12 for a one way ticket

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Special Event

Ultimate Experience of Buddhism in Korea
‘Temple Stay at HwaEom-Sa’

A Temple-Stay is a cultural-experience program designed to help people better understand Buddhism in Korea. HwaEom Temple, which is one of historical treasures built in 544 and located at the foot of JiRi Mountain, offers a broad range of activities for participants. The program includes meditation, Buddhist ceremonial services and chanting, meal offerings, tea ceremony, walking meditation and Dharma talks.

As a special program, HwaEom Temple is proud to present a contemporary chanting performance ‘HwaEom Project 2006’ by the performing group Bunkers and Forest with the world famous multi-media artists and Buddhist monks. Participants will also have a chance to visit the first Miracle Library in Sunchon: a private organization, ‘citizen action for reading culture’ and a local autonomous entity collaborated in 2003 to found this library which provides children with the opportunity to enjoy and learn about their local history and culture. The program is held in August 24-25, 2006. Free Registration via our website (www.hwaeomsa.org) is on a first-come-first-served basis for 60 guests of IFLA members. For more information, please contact us at +82-10-3479-5178 (e-mail: hwaeom@hwaeomsa.org).
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