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FROM HEADQUARTERS

Guust van Wesemael Literacy Prize

Call for Applications, 2003

The Prize was established by the IFLA Executive Board in November 1991, to commemorate the late Guust van Wesemael, who was Coordinator of IFLA's Professional Activities from 1979 to 1990 and Deputy Secretary General of IFLA from 1979 to 1991, and his contribution to IFLA's efforts to promote literacy in the developing countries. In 1996 the Prize was re-established under revised conditions.

Objectives:

The objective of the Prize is to recognise an achievement in the field of literacy promotion in a developing country. The Prize should preferably be used for follow-up activities such as purchasing targeted collections of appropriate books, but may

also be used for other activities such as literacy promotion, training, policy development. The Prize is issued biennially. The focus of the Prize is public library or school library work. Both individuals and library institutions are eligible to apply.

Applications:

The applications must be accompanied by:

- * the reasons for application;
- * a detailed description of the completed project or activity (including a short description of the library, or of the organisation and its activities);
- * an explanation of how the Prize money would be used;
- * and a realistic budget.

Candidates are also advised to attach a letter of support from their library association.

Reporting:

Within six months after receipt of the Prize, the winner must submit to IFLA HQ an interim report of the use made of the funds, and the second instalment will be paid out. When the project period is finished a final report and a financial statement should be submitted. (The report should be in a form suitable for publication in IFLA Journal).

Deadline for application: 1 March 2003

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(Karin Passchier, Reference 2, Wed, 11 Sep 2002)

Call for Nominations

Nominations for

- **IFLA President-elect**
- **Elected members of the Governing Board of IFLA**
- **Members of Section Standing Committees of IFLA**

are now invited.

The deadline for receipt of nominations is close of

business on Monday 3rd February 2003.

Details have been posted by mail to all qualified Members of IFLA. They are also available on IFLANET at <http://www.ifla.org/announce.htm>

All voting Members of IFLA who have paid their membership fees for 2002 and who are not in arrears are eligible to nominate for these positions and to vote in the subsequent elections. In addition, Personal Affiliates who have paid their fees for 2002 and are not in arrears are entitled to nominate for the positions of President-elect and the elected members of the Governing Board.

(Ross Shimmon, Secretary General, October 2002)

Serving on IFLA Standing Committees

Serving on a Section Standing Committee is one of the best ways of contributing to the work of IFLA. Standing Committees are at the heart of the Federation. They help develop policies, carry out surveys and other projects, prepare guidelines, and organise open sessions and workshops at the general conference. Serving on a Standing Committee provides opportunities for professional development, networking with colleagues from many different countries and helps to advance the profession.

It can also be great fun!

We have drawn up these notes to provide guidance to Association and Institutional Members considering nominating candidates for election to Standing Committees. They should also help those thinking of accepting nomination.

Responsibilities:

Members of Standing Committees serve in a personal capacity. They do not themselves have to be Members of IFLA, but they have to be nominated by current Association or Institutional Members of IFLA. No one can be a member of more than one Standing Committee, except that you can be a member of the Standing Committee on one of the three Regional sections in addition to one other Standing Committee.

They contribute to the work of the Committee by:

- Having a working knowledge in at least one

of the IFLA languages (English, French, German, Russian, and Spanish). Most of the business of the Standing Committees tends to be conducted in English, so knowledge of English is particularly useful.

- Having a reasonable expectation of attending meetings of the Standing Committee without cost to the Federation. IFLA simply does not have the resources to fund the expenses involved in serving on the committees. The principal meetings are held immediately prior to, and during, the annual general conferences of IFLA. Forthcoming conferences will be held in Berlin (2003), Buenos Aires (2004), Oslo (2005), and Seoul (2006). All of them will take place in August. In between these meetings, business is usually conducted by email and post or fax. Some Sections hold mid-year meetings by agreement of the Committee concerned.
- Contributing actively to ideas for projects and conference programme meetings.
- Joining in the work of the Section, for example, by undertaking projects, organising workshops, preparing translations, etc.
- Sticking to deadlines for reporting financial and other information.
- Responding to requests from IFLA HQ for advice, representation at meetings, etc.
- Assisting in the production of a newsletter, promotional leaflet, and generally disseminating information about Section activities.
- Helping with the translation of newsletters, conference papers, promotional leaflets and other documents where appropriate.
- Encouraging participation in the Section by people in different parts of the world, by identifying potential new candidates and corresponding members.
- Assisting in the allocation of "portfolios" to individuals serving on the committee (for example, editing the newsletter, acting as information coordinator, Section membership recruitment, organising translations, preparing workshops, etc.).

Serving Standing Committee members are expected to help those newly elected to play a full part in the Standing Committee's work by providing them with background information.

Corresponding Members:

Each Standing Committee may appoint up to five Corresponding Members. These places are intended for people who are normally unable to attend the general conference (and therefore the meetings of the Standing Committee) for geographical or financial reasons. Their role is to represent countries in geographical areas, which might not otherwise be represented, or to provide expertise in a specific subject field. Such member shall be appointed for an initial two-year term, renewable for one further term of two years on the decision of the chair. They receive the Committee papers and are expected to maintain regular contact with the officers and other Committee members. They contribute their opinions and active support through involvement in projects, and preparation of translations, etc. Corresponding Members have no voting rights, but if they are able to attend a meeting of the Committee, they are entitled to speak.

Some Standing Committees have established "Observers", "Honorary Advisers" and "Special Advisers". These are however not official positions. They are not listed in IFLA Directory, and they have no official status and have no voting rights. (Ross Shimmon, October 2002)

FROM REGIONAL OFFICE

Report from the Regional Office (August 2002)

On-going Work at the Office

1. Mailing List

There are 1031 names on the list on 10-08-2002. Those who answered to the survey form and who indicated later that they want to be on the mailing list received special sign on their records. Mailing labels were then prepared for the addresses with this sign. In May 2002, the Newsletter Mailing List has 236 addresses representing 37 countries.

2. The IFLA ROAO Non-paper Reading Materials Project

This new project was initiated following the two previous projects: Mobile Library for Sustainable Development, and Mobile Library Services in

Indochina. It is an experiment to test the feasibility of printing children books on fabrics. The outcome of this experiment is hopefully to be ready for display at the poster session during the conference.

3. Newsletter

Only 800 copies were printed for the June 2002 issue since there is no need to save copies for binding any more. We have two bound volumes: 1991-1995, and 1996-1999; the more recent ones are meant to be archived electronically. At present, we have available on IFLANET (<http://www.ifla.org/vii/s26/sraao.htm#3>) the following issues: December 1999, June and December 2000, June and December 2001, and June 2002.

New development can be seen in the last issue (June 2002) when full address of IFLA Headquarters was posted on the front page, and information about the Section's officers as well as the "Message from the Chair" were on the last page. More contributions were received, hence not all of them could be published. There were questions about selection criteria which the editor was very pleased to establish one:

- Our priority will be built upon IFLA and IFLA related matters, activities of regional or international interest, upcoming events that might be useful for our readers, etc. In many cases "representation", "country distribution" and "availability of space" are also taken into consideration.-

These criteria can be modified when we work along the line.

One copy each was sent in an airmail package to 634 addresses as follows:

1. Labels from the HQ (total 398)
 - Members registered to Section 26 (336)
 - RSCAO, CB, GB, Core Activities, and Clearinghouses (62);
2. Label produced at the RO (total 236).

Eight copies were sent to the Headquarters by airmail, and 50 copies were sent to ALP by EMS.

Text file of the June 2002 issue was sent again to 17 E-mail addresses according to the responses received from the survey form last year. A request was attached for confirmation. This note along with the attached file was sent also to the RSCAO.

So far, only 3 confirmations had been received, and continuation of this service is now under consideration. (Pensri Guaysuwan)

FROM RSCAO

Message from the Chair

"I believe I can fly"

– IFLA/RSCAO in Glasgow

The title of R. elly's song reflects the invigorating impact the IFLA Conference had on some young librarians from the Asia & Oceania region who were attending IFLA 2002. The annual conference which is the leading international gathering in library and information services was attended by 2578 full-time participants while another 2022 attended selected sessions or came as accompanying persons.

Four hundred and forty one (441) full time participants from 32 countries in Asia & Oceania came to Glasgow for the Conference. The largest delegation from our region, understandably, came from the largest country in our region and the world, that is, China. They had a delegation on 111 participants. The second largest delegation from Asia/Oceania came from the 2006 host of the IFLA conference, the Republic of Korea, and they had 61 participants. The other countries from Asia and Oceania that sent large delegations were Japan (46), Australia (45), Malaysia (35) and the Islamic Republic of Iran (23). The Asia & Oceania presence in IFLA is increasing and this year we represented 17% of the full-time participants to IFLA 2002. This is clearly an indication of the value librarians see in attending the Conference. I hope that every librarian will make it one of their goals to attend IFLA at least once in their career span. For many of you, I am sure this experience will have a very powerful impact on your career and your profession.

During the Conference I had opportunities to meet for the first time, many colleagues from our region. They were all interested in knowing how they could get more involved with IFLA, and how they could be kept informed of news from IFLA so that they could bring back news, developments and

idea to be shared with their fellow librarians back home.

Many, especially those from the less developed countries in the region were also interested in how they could bring the profession and libraries in their countries forward. We discussed the possibility of projects with local involvement and also how to continue the network of friendships formed during the Conference. I hope that this interest will be sustained well beyond the annual conference and that it will contribute towards IFLA's mission of becoming a truly global organisation.

Rashidah Begum, Chair, IFLA RSCAO

IFLA RSAO Newsletter

Dear Pensri,
Congratulations for bringing out a very informative and interesting IFLA RSAO Newsletter 14:1 (June 2002). I am grateful to you for sending me a copy which is full of activities in different countries of Asia and Oceania. It has tried to gather information about conferences to be held in 2002-03 in many countries and on different themes. My congratulations to the editors and all those who contributed by giving news for publication.

It will not be possible for me to go to IFLA Conference at Glasgow but I will be very much interested to know about the proceedings and happenings, activities of RSAO during 68th IFLA Conference.

With regards,
Neela Jagannathan

Dear Rashidah and Pensri,
I heard from my returning colleagues about the award for the RSCAO newsletter. Many congratulations to Dr Pensri for her tireless editorship and all regional colleagues for this important and well-deserved award. It is a great compliment to the Section, and a recognition of the priority we have always given to communicating and networking throughout the region. Congratulations to all of you, and best wishes,
Amelia

Dear Colleagues

I am very pleased to inform you that the IFLA Regional Section for Asia/Oceania Newsletter won the best newsletter award. The award was announced at the IFLA Conference in Glasgow last week. The newsletter was selected for its professional production, excellent coverage of news in the region and its timeliness. Pensri Guaysuwan, the Regional Manager/ Editor of the newsletter and myself went on stage to receive the award from the President of IFLA, Christine Deschamps at Council II on 23 August 2002. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who contributed news on programs and activities in the region. Without your support we would not have been able to provide relevant and timely information from the region.

I hope your contributions in the form of articles, news, photos, etc will continue for the forthcoming issues. I am sure if we all cooperate we may win the award again! Once again thanks for your support. Warmest regards
Rashidah Begum

Dear all,
My congratulations and thanks to all of you!
Zhu Qiang

Dear Rashidah and Pensri,
My congratulations to you both on the award from IFLA. It is without a doubt your commitment that has seen the Newsletter reach its targeted audience in good time and with excellent coverage of activities in the Region.
I am very proud to be a part of RSCAO.
Kind regards
Elizabeth C. Reade Fong

Dear Rashidah and Pensri,
We are proud of you! It was a great moment for all of us.
Kalpana

CONGRATS!!! Well Done Rashidah and Pensri.
Very proud of you!!
Harrison.Perera

Dear Fellows,
This is good news. Thank you all for helping behind.
Pensri Guaysuwan

FROM FAIFE

The Glasgow Declaration on Libraries, Information Services and Intellectual Freedom

Meeting in Glasgow on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of its formation, the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) declares that:

IFLA proclaims the fundamental right of human beings both to access and to express information without restriction.

IFLA and its worldwide membership support, defend and promote intellectual freedom as expressed in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. This intellectual freedom encompasses the wealth of human knowledge, opinion, creative thought and intellectual activity.

IFLA asserts that a commitment to intellectual freedom is a core responsibility of the library and information profession worldwide, expressed through codes of ethics and demonstrated through practice.

IFLA affirms that:

- Libraries and information services provide access to information, ideas and works of imagination in any medium and regardless of frontiers. They serve as gateways to knowledge, thought and culture, offering essential support for independent decision-making, cultural development, research and lifelong learning by both individuals and groups.
- Libraries and information services contribute to the development and maintenance of intellectual freedom and help to safeguard democratic values and universal civil rights. Consequently, they are committed to offering their clients access to relevant resources and services without restriction and to opposing any form of censorship.
- Libraries and information services shall acquire, preserve and make available the widest variety of materials, reflecting the plurality and diversity of society. The

selection and availability of library materials and services shall be governed by professional considerations and not by political, moral and religious views.

- Libraries and information services shall make materials, facilities and services equally accessible to all users. There shall be no discrimination for any reason including race, national or ethnic origin, gender or sexual preference, age, disability, religion, or political beliefs.
- Libraries and information services shall protect each user's right to privacy and confidentiality with respect to information sought or received and resources consulted, borrowed, acquired or transmitted.

IFLA therefore calls upon libraries and information services and their staff to uphold and promote the principles of intellectual freedom and to provide uninhibited access to information.

This Declaration was prepared by IFLA/FAIFE. Approved by the Governing Board of IFLA 27 March 2002, The Hague, Netherlands. Proclaimed by the Council of IFLA 19 August 2002, Glasgow, Scotland. (Reference 1, August 30, 2002)

FROM UAP

How to Redeem IFLA Vouchers

There are two reasons for redeeming vouchers:

Purchaser has not used them and would like a refund. Unused vouchers redeemed by the purchaser may not be returned within six months of purchase. The purchaser will receive the original purchase price for returned vouchers, even when the purchase price has subsequently been increased.

A supplying library accumulates more Vouchers than it can reuse, and wishes to redeem them for cash. Vouchers accepted by supplying libraries may be redeemed for the full purchase price which is in force at the time the vouchers are received as payment. This will normally be the current purchase price, but at the time of a price increase,

libraries will be asked to submit separately those vouchers received before the date of the increase and those received after that date, so that the correct reimbursement may be made.

To redeem IFLA Vouchers, please complete a Voucher Redemption Form. Please do not send vouchers without a Redemption Form.

Send the Vouchers and the Redemption Form to the IFLA Voucher Scheme, at the usual address. Please sort the vouchers into numerical order, and list them on a separate sheet, before sending them.

All refunds will be paid in US Dollars, either by cheque or by bank transfer. If no payment method is specified, payment will be by cheque. Redemption payments will be made within 30 days of receipt of returned vouchers.

To control administration costs, the total value of vouchers returned for redemption should be at least \$100. (Reference 1, October 31, 2002)

FROM CLM

Tips for TRIPS

A Guide for Libraries and Librarians to the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS)

There are very few countries today that are not members of the World Trade Organization (WTO). Today it has over 140 members (China joined recently, and some 30 more countries are in the process of joining). The WTO is an international body which administers rules covering international trade. These rules are set out in a range of agreements, including the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT).

When a dispute arises about trade matters between two countries, the WTO also provides for a dispute settlement procedure. A WTO member can take a complaint about another country to a dispute settlement panel which determines whether or not that country is complying with the agreed rules. If it is not in compliance and refuses to rectify the problem, the member that made the complaint can

retaliate with trade sanctions up to the level of the damage which the original problem caused. There are other ways of dealing with non-compliance. For instance, in a recent case brought by the European Union, the US Copyright Act was found by a panel not to comply with WTO rules. At the request of the two parties, an arbitrator set a sum of financial compensation that would be payable to the EU by the US to account for the damage to copyright interests arising from the non-compliant provision in the US law.

An important part of the WTO treaty system is the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (known as TRIPS). TRIPS is intended to set common standards for the intellectual property regimes of all member countries. It covers such different types of intellectual property as:

- Copyright and related rights
- Trademarks, including service marks
- Geographical indications
- Industrial designs
- Patents
- Layout-designs (topographies) of integrated circuits
- Undisclosed information, including trade secrets

TRIPS sets standards for IP protection that are similar to the levels of protection that most developed countries had. Because most developing nations did not protect intellectual property to that extent before the TRIPS Agreement was concluded, they were given additional time to comply with TRIPS. Developing countries were due to comply in most respects by 2000. All least-developed nations, which are members of WTO, are due to comply by 1 January 2006 (although this can be extended, and has already been extended for pharmaceutical patenting).

Of course, the most important type of intellectual property as far as libraries are concerned is copyright.

The main effect of TRIPS, with respect to copyright, is that it imports most of the provisions of the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works. The Berne Convention is the oldest and most important

international copyright treaty. It was first agreed to in 1886, and has been revised and expanded since then. 149 States are currently signatories to the Berne Convention.

The only provisions of the Berne Convention which have not been incorporated into TRIPS concern moral rights. Moral rights are the right of the author to control certain uses of their works to protect their reputation as artists, and for their authorship to be recognized. Moral rights are distinct from what are sometimes known as economic rights (such as the right to make copies or the right to broadcast).

Put simply, the provisions that TRIPS does incorporate from Berne require member countries to grant the following basic protection:

That the following subject-matter should be protected as 'literary and artistic works': "books, pamphlets and other writings; lectures, addresses, sermons and other works of the same nature; dramatic or dramatico-musical works; choreographic works and entertainment in dumb show; musical compositions with or without words; cinematographic works to which are assimilated works expressed by a process analogous to cinematography; works of drawing, painting, architecture, sculpture, engraving and lithography; photographic works to which are assimilated works expressed by a process analogous to photography; works of applied art; illustrations, maps, plans, sketches and three-dimensional works relative to geography, topography, architecture or science."

That the author (or the owner of copyright) of a work be able to authorize:

- its reproduction in various forms, such as a printed publication;
- its public performance, as in a play or musical work;
- recordings of it, for example, in the form of compact discs, cassettes or videotapes;
- its broadcasting, by radio, cable or satellite;
- its translation into other languages, or its adaptation, such as a novel into a screenplay.

[Note that TRIPS/Berne does not specifically require that digital or online uses be covered (these

are covered by the WIPO Internet Treaties which are not part of TRIPS). However, typically the right of reproduction will cover digital copying, such as scanning a publication or storing a copy on a hard drive.]

That the duration for copyright protection for works should be the life of the author plus 50 years.

This level of protection for copyright owners is mandatory under TRIPS/Berne. However, TRIPS/Berne also allow for copyright exceptions which are very important for libraries and library users.

'Exceptions' are provisions of the copyright law which exempt certain types of uses from the control of copyright owners. For example, it is the copyright owner's right to control all reproductions of his or her work; however, an exception might allow a student to make a copy of part of this work for study purposes without paying anything or seeking permission.

Generally speaking, the rights of copyright owners are very broad and cover many uses while exceptions are narrow and cover more specific situations. (It is worth remembering, however, that rights do not cover all possible uses. For example, nothing in TRIPS/Berne gives copyright owners the right to control the physical movement of copies of a work, such as a library loan).

Exceptions are included in copyright legislation for public policy reasons. Just as the interests of the public are served by granting authors certain rights over their works so that they can be remunerated for their effort, so too are the interests of the public served by relaxing these rights in the cause of, for example, education or research.

Whether or not these exceptions are applied is basically the choice of a national government or legislature to decide. Berne/TRIPS simply requires that, where they exist in national law, they shouldn't unreasonably impair the copyright owner's interests. This is expressed in a so-called 'three-step test' which appears in Berne concerning exceptions that allow you to make copies without the copyright owner's permission, and which

TRIPS then applied more generally to all forms of copyright (Article 9.2 of Berne, Article 13 of TRIPS). In the Berne Convention this provides that countries can permit reproduction of copyright works without the permission of the copyright owner 'in certain special cases, provided that such reproduction does not conflict with a normal exploitation of the work and does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the author.'

This possibility of exceptions to the rights of copyright owners within the scope of this three-step test has led to a wide variety of useful exceptions around the world.

Perhaps the most well-known of these is the United States fair use doctrine which permits any use of copyright for free and without permission provided it is 'fair'. For example, a famous case concerned whether it would be fair use to videotape a TV program to watch it later. Whether something is fair or not is determined according to the following four factors:

- the purpose and character of the use, including whether such use is of a commercial nature or is for non-profit educational purposes;
- the nature of the copyrighted work;
- the amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole; and
- the effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work.

The fair use doctrine allows libraries and library users to do many things that would otherwise infringe copyright.

In the US, and in many other countries around the world, there are exceptions which allow private citizens to make copies for their own use (and this use does not have to be for the purposes of research or study). Other exceptions allow libraries to share resources; for example, one library that lacked a certain article can request it from another library. Some countries have exceptions to benefit their schools and universities; they are able to put together 'reading bricks' or transmit material to distance education students for free or at least at discounted rates.

It is important to remember that copyright law exists for the benefit of society as a whole, not just

so that writers and publishers can make money. Sometimes the interests of society are better served when the rights of owners don't apply.

By enacting exceptions and allowing a greater use of copyright material by students, researchers, teachers and librarians in developing nations, those nations will be helping to promote copyright's ultimate goal: the increase of knowledge.

IFLA Committee on Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM)
August, 2002
(Reference 1, October 14, 200)

2. HAPPENINGS IN THE REGION

CAMBODIA

New Director of the National Library

Succeeding Mr. Chamroeun Khuon, Ms. Vibolla Khlout, head of the Book and Reading Department at the Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts, was appointed as Director of the National Library of Cambodia in December 2001.

CHINA

Public Library Infrastructure Development

Library Scholars and professionals from Taiwan and mainland China met for the Second Cross – strait Seminar on October 21 – 27 last year. The seminar which was on Public Library Infrastructure Development was sponsored by the Bureau of Social Culture and Libraries of the mainland Ministry of Culture in conjunction with the Shanghai Library. The Seminar discussed such topics as library laws and regulations; the unique service role of public libraries, library automation, networking and digital development; public library development and construction; and continuing

education for librarians in the information age. The seminar was attended by 180 scholars and librarians from the mainland and Taiwan. The participants were taken on a tour of the Shanghai Library, the new Songjiang Library, Beijing's Shoudu Library and Xicheng Library. The next Seminar will be hosted in Taiwan. (National Central Library Newsletter 44 (1) July 2002, 8 – 9)

INDIA

Librarians' Day Celebrations

Tamilnadu Library Association and Ethiraj college for women (Autonomous) Chennai, jointly organised the "Librarians Day" celebration and Dr.S.R.Ranganathan's birthday on 12-8-2002 Monday at 4 P.M. at Ethiraj College for women Auditorium. Mr.R.Muthukumaraswami President, TLA in his welcome address recalled the contribution and service rendered by "Dr. SRR" for the Library field and movement, and that is the reason we are celebrating his birthday as "Librarian Day" throughout India. (M. Muthuswami)

Programme on Standardization held at NIT, Silchar

In order to create awareness towards standardization an "Educational Utilization programme on Standardization, Product Certification & Quality Systems" was held on 19 - 20th Sep 2002 at NIT, Silchar.

Around 200 participants from NIT, Silchar, Assam University, and from the local colleges attended in this programme. During these two days the participants were given lectures / exposure on different aspects such as Bureau of Indian Standards activities & services, concept of quality, quality system certification, product certification and ISO 9000. Shri R S Bhatia & Shri B K Guha, Director, BIS, New Delhi & Shri A Roy from BIS Guwahati Office acted as the major resource persons in this programme. (Kishor C. Satpathy)

Right to Education

The Rajya Sabha (Lower house of Indian Parliament) has recently passed the 93rd Amendment to the Constitution making the Right to Education a Fundamental Right for all children in the 6 to 14 years age-group. Introducing the Amendment in the Rajya Sabha, the Union Minister for Human Resource Development, Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi quoted Gandhiji and Mao Zedong to show the importance that world leaders attached to basic education. Blaming the British for undoing the educational network that India had prior to their arrival, he sought to show the 93rd Amendment as another measure to realize the dream the freedom fighters had for independent India. (Anjali Gulati)

SATKAL Awards

The following persons have been selected for three Awards, for the year 2002 instituted by the (SATKAL) "Satinder Kaur Ramdev Memorial Trust for the Advancement of Librarianship", 'Punjab National Librarian Award' was given to Dr. R.K Chadha (Library & Information Services), Parliamentary Library, Lok Sabha Secretariat; 'Women Librarian Award' was given to Prof. (Ms.) Harsha S. Parekh, University Librarian & Head, Dept. Of Library & Information Science, S.N.D.T Women's University; 'Young Librarian Award' was given to Dr. (Ms.) Usha M.Mushi, Librarian , Indian National Science Academy (INSA). Each of these Awards includes a memento, a shawl and the citation, which will be presented to the Awardees at SATKAL's function to be organized at the Kurukshtra on Monday, November 25, 2002. (Anjali Gulati)

INDONESIA

Cooperation Between the National Library of Indonesia and the Rijksmuseum

The National Library of Indonesia in Jakarta and the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam have been in consultation, since 1996 over their common

heritage: the drawings of Johannes Rach (1720-1783).

The National Library in Jakarta owns the largest and most important collection: 173 drawings and the Rijksmuseum owns 32 drawings.

The two parties have studied the possibility of temporarily reuniting the collection in its entirety for posterity.

The Erasmushuis in Jakarta is prepared to support the united initiatives of the National Library of Indonesia and the Rijksmuseum.

<http://www.ndl.go.jp/e/publications/cdnla0/036/361.html>

For further information please contact :
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MALAYSIA

GKP Collaboration with the World Economic Forum

The Global Knowledge Partnership, the Global Digital Divide Initiative (GDDI) of the World Economic Forum (WEF) and the National I.T. Council of (NITC) Malaysia jointly organized a Gathering of Stakeholders for Bridging the Digital Divide from 5-6 October 2002 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The Gathering was held in conjunction with the East Asia Economic Summit of the WEF from 6-8 October 2002.

Stakeholders from the business, government and civil society sectors convened to share best practices and identify common interests in Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for development.

During the Gathering, four Working Group Sessions were held, based on development themes such as education/community, economy/entrepreneurship, public services/e-government and regulation/governance. Among the projects submitted by GKP members, three were selected by WEF for showcasing during the Working Groups. The first was the Amader Gram

Knowledge Center Project of the Bangladesh Friendship Education Society (BFES), which aims to develop a participatory monitoring and learning system at the village level by the communities, local elected bodies and officials. Another project showcased was the National Council of Women Organizations' (NCWO) eMarketplace Project which seeks to improve the economic status of Malaysian women through e-Commerce and raise their health, literacy and education levels through knowledge networking. The Foundation for Development Corporation, a new GKP member, also made a presentation to the Regulation/Governance Working Group. A dynamic exchange of ideas was evident in all the working groups. A consolidated report of the event will be made available on the GKP portal soon.

Other highlights of the event were presentations on Malaysian Bridging the Digital Divide Initiatives, overviews on programmes and initiatives such as e-ASEAN, DOT Force, UN ICT Task Force, the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and the Trade Enhancement Initiative of the WEF. The delegates also toured the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC), wherein lies two Smart Cities: Putrajaya, the new seat of the government and the administrative capital of Malaysia and Cyberjaya, an intelligent city with multimedia industries, R&D centres, a multimedia university and operational headquarters for MNCs.

The GKP Secretariat (GKPS) hosted the reception for the event. In her keynote address, the Executive Director of the GKPS, Rinalia Abdul Rahim drew attention to the fact that the GKP was a catalyst in bringing the Digital Divide to the attention of global policy makers in 2000 through the GKP's Second Global Knowledge Conference (GKII), and reported that the Partnership will be actively engaged with the WEF, the UN ICT Task Force and the WSIS Secretariat in upcoming events and activities.

Besides NITC Malaysia, BFES and FDC, the other GKP member organizations present at the Gathering were the Commonwealth of Learning (COL), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the World Bank (InfoDev).

For more information: www.globalknowledge.org

ALCCD 2002

The 1st Asian Library on Collection Development (ALCCD 2002) was successfully held in Penang from July 1 – July 3, 2002. More than 150 participants from 10 countries were represented. Since the conference was held in Malaysia and co-organized by the Librarians Association of Malaysia, the biggest number of participants were from Malaysia. The rest were from Thailand, Singapore, Philippines, Brunei, Hong Kong, Taiwan, with a couple from Australia and USA and one from Botswana.

The general response from most of the participants is very positive. All participants I have spoken to after the conference was over told me that it was a good conference and they plan to attend the next one if we ever organize it again. Therefore, with an offer to co-organize from Meanmas Chavalit, former President of Thai Library Association, who had successfully organized IFLA 1999, we decided that the conference should be repeated in 2004 in Thailand. (Jaffee Yee)

NEPAL

New President of the Library Association

The 22nd general convention of Nepal Library Association (NLA) was held in Kathmandu. The general members of NLA elected the new Executive Committee members of NLA under the Presidentship of Mr. Bhola Kumar Shrestha for two years term. The others elected members are Ms. Bina Vaidya, Vice-President, Mr. Prakash Thapa, Member-Secretary, Ms. Anju Rajbanshi, Treasurer, and members are Ms. Janaki Karmacharya, Ms. Nirana Shakya, Mr. Raju Shakya, and Mr. Yadav Chandra Niraula.

Outgoing President Mr. Rudra Prasad Dula expressed gratitude to the new elected members. Mr. Bhola Kumar Shrestha (newly elected President), briefly outlined the activities, which will be carried out during the tenures of the present

NLA Executive Committee. He also assured to devote his efforts for the development of library system in Nepal.
(Bhola Kumar Shrestha)

NEW ZEALAND

In Memory of Peter Durey

I am forwarding information I received from Alex regarding the passing away of Peter Durey. May his soul rest in peace. (RashidahBegum)

Many will have known Peter Durey for his many contributions to the work of IFLA and as the former University Librarian of the University of Auckland. Janet Copsey, University Librarian at the University of Auckland, has advised that Peter suffered a severe stroke earlier this week, from which he died on Tuesday night. While he did have a traffic accident 10 or so days earlier, it was not a serious one in terms of injuries and he was discharged from hospital after a couple of days. I am sure all who enjoyed Peter's charming company over the years will join his New Zealand and Australian colleagues in mourning his loss and in sending our sympathy to his family.
(Alex Byrne, Thu, 3 Oct 2002)

Members of the Regional Section note with regret the passing in late September 2002 of Mr. Peter Durey, former University Librarian of the University of Auckland.

Peter Durey was involved with the Asia/Oceania Section for some years and only recently stepped down as a Corresponding member when he retired from his post at Auckland University in 1998. Peter was a great believer in the value of professional and staff development, and spoke on these topics in the region. He was a firm supporter of the Regional Section's aims to advance the profession through training programmes and scholarships, many of which were hosted by his own institution, Auckland University. Peter will be well remembered by our colleagues as a kind, warm person, ready to offer eminently good and intelligent advice and to give whatever assistance he could in a typically modest and unassuming way. He will be greatly missed.
(Amelia McKenzie)

The first year I became the Regional Manager of the IFLA Regional Office for Asia and Oceania in 1991, Peter Durey had already been serving as a Corresponding Member of the RSCAO. We met at the Conference in Moscow that historic year. I always remember that Peter was the one who kept us informed of the situation every morning when we were at breakfast because he had a short wave radio with him and he listened to the news at night. We went through that conference excitingly together and had been good friends since. Peter came to the RSCAO Meetings very often and had been very supportive to our work in the region. His comments on the Newsletter were always encouraging. We heard from him the last time when he informed us that he was retired and that he would not be a Corresponding Member any more. Now he had gone, but he will always be remembered.

(Pensri Guaysuwan)

Dear Durey Family,

We will be missing Peter at IFLA Conferences and in New Zealand should we visit your libraries again. Through Peter, we experienced New Zealand's warm hospitality. He had much to share with us of his professional library experiences both at his library and at library meetings.

(Aree Cheunwattana, Chaleo Pansida, Maria LaoSunthara, Nongnath Chairat)

SRI LANKA

Reading Promotion Programme

The National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) launched a reading promotion programme on 20th February 2002. A number of activities have been organized that could be carried out in schools to promote reading habits among school children.

(NATNET LANKA Newsletter Vol.6 No.1, June 2002, 4)

THAILAND

New Director of the National Library

Succeeding Mrs. Suwakhon Siriwongworawat who retired in October 2001, Mrs. Siriporn Chiruppapa, a well known librarian from the National Library, was appointed the new Director of the National Library of Thailand. Taking the office in December 2001, she has overseen so many activities that were planned and carried out. It is hoped that reports of some activities can be publicized in the near future.

Information and Educational Services on Elephants

This project was initiated in 2001 by the Department of Non-Formal Education. It is aimed at making information and education services accessible to 46 villages in remote hill areas in Chiang Mai, a northern province of Thailand.

Elephants are used to carry information and educational materials to the villages. Materials brought include book boxes, a satellite dish, cassette, video and CD players, writing boards, and electricity generators. Local carriers are hired to unload the crates carried by the elephants.

The project has been awarded the UNESCO Literacy Prize for 2002 for demonstrating the effort and innovative approach in promoting literacy.

(TLA ILIS Newsletter Volume 1 Issue 2, August 2002, 9)

3. CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCES

Report of CLM Meeting: 2002 IFLA General Conference in Glasgow

Wall comes down for CLM in Glasgow!

IFLA's Committee on Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM) had another successful week of activity at the IFLA Conference in Glasgow.

CLM's Update session has quickly become a regular feature of the Conference programme, and room planners need to know that the session is always filled to capacity. This year, delegates were spilling out of the tiny room's doorway long before the session's start, but as luck would have it the room next door was empty. With an inspired suggestion from one delegate and quick work from the conference centre staff, the dividing wall was removed and the room doubled in size, still filling to standing room only. This year's session updated delegates on the European Copyright Directive; the activities of the WTO, in particular GATS and other international trade treaties; and the difficult issues surrounding circumvention technology in the USA. Presentations on public lending right and on copyright activity in South Africa completed this extremely full programme. Regrettably there was little time left for questions which are so important in an update session such as this, and the organisers will ensure that next year's Update includes time for a question and answer session.

CLM's open session this year was on the subject of repatriation of cultural heritage material, focussing on the legal issues which arise when libraries are faced with a challenge over the ownership of material in their collections. Debate over ownership or the rightful home for library items may arise when national boundaries are redrawn or when the provenance of valuable material is disputed and cannot be proven. Examples where libraries had been involved in such debate were provided from USA, Russia and Denmark, and Norman Palmer, from University College London described the relevant international conventions and legal framework. Speakers concluded that, although a legal framework is essential, the complex issues surrounding the best means of preserving valuable items and ensuring effective access to them cannot always be decided by the law. Adherence to agreed conventions might often be the best way forward in what can be an emotive and sensitive issue for libraries.

One further session was also co-sponsored by CLM. "Legal deposit and copyright laws" was a joint National Libraries/CLM session, at which CLM Chair, Marianne Scott presented a paper on the relationship between legal deposit and copyright law.

CLM also had two business meetings during the Conference. The activities of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) continue to be a cause for concern, in particular the effect of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) on public library services. Libraries and library associations are urged to increase awareness of the potentially damaging effect of GATS, and to speak to national trade ministers to draw their attention to these issues. The IFLA Position on the World Trade Organisation can be found at <http://www.ifla.org/III/clm/pl/wto-ifla.htm> TRIPS (Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights) is another WTO agreement that aims to set common standards for the intellectual property regimes of member countries. All member countries must implement TRIPS by 2006, and CLM has produced a short document, "Tips for TRIPS" to help libraries understand the implications of this. Tips for TRIPS can be found at <http://www.ifla.org/III/clm/pl/tt-ifla.htm>

Another concern for CLM members is the relationship between contract law and copyright laws. A study on this issue has recently been carried out in Australia and the results are awaited with interest. The arrival of digital rights management systems (DRM) has raised concerns that the traditional exceptions to copyright protection allowed for by law are being eroded. CLM is considering what action should be undertaken on DRM.

CLM has worked hard on building links with other relevant organisations for more effective action on important issues. Representation at key international copyright events is vital, and CLM will continue to work closely with EBLIDA and other library organizations to this end. CLM has provided input to a major UNESCO study on limitations and exceptions to copyright and neighbouring rights in the digital environment. During their meetings, CLM members also discussed the issue of education and training in copyright, an essential subject for today's librarians, but it is still not clear what role CLM can play here.

CLM, October, 2002

(Reference 1, January 24, 2002)

Statement on Libraries and Sustainable Development

Meeting in Glasgow on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of its formation, the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)

- Declares that all human beings have the fundamental right to an environment adequate for their health and well-being.

Acknowledges the importance of a commitment to sustainable development to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of the future.

- Asserts that library and information services promote sustainable development by ensuring freedom of access to information.

IFLA further affirms that:

- The international library and information community forms a network that connects developing and developed countries, supports the development of library and information services worldwide, and ensures these services respect equity, the general quality of life for all people and the natural environment.
- Library and information professionals acknowledge the importance of education in various forms for all. Library and information services act as gateways to knowledge and culture. They provide access to information, ideas and works of imagination in various formats, supporting personal development of all age groups and active participation in society and decision-making processes.
- Library and information services provide essential support for lifelong learning, independent decision-making and cultural development for all. Through their vast collections and variety of media, they offer guidance and learning opportunities. Library and information services help people improve educational and social skills, indispensable in an information society and for sustained participation in democracy. Libraries further reading habits, information literacy and

promote education, public awareness and training.

- Library and information services contribute to the development and maintenance of intellectual freedom and help safeguard basic democratic values and universal civil rights. They respect the identity, independent choice, decision-making and privacy of their users without discrimination.
- To this end, library and information services acquire, preserve and make available to all users without discrimination the widest variety of materials, reflecting the plurality and cultural diversity of society and the richness of our environments.
- Library and information services are helping to tackle information inequality demonstrated in the growing information gap and the digital divide. Through their network of services, information on research and innovation is made available to advance sustainable development and the welfare of peoples worldwide.

IFLA therefore calls upon library and information services and their staff to uphold and promote the principles of sustainable development.

This Declaration was approved by the Governing Board of IFLA meeting on 24 August 2002 in Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom.

UPCOMING IFLA CONFERENCE

**69th IFLA General Conference and Council
Berlin, Germany, August 1-9, 2003**

Patron:
German Federal President Johannes Rau

Theme: "Access Point Library: Media - Information - Culture"

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General Guidelines for Papers

Professional units of IFLA are calling for papers for the IFLA General Conference to be held in Berlin, 1-9 August 2003.

We have prepared these notes to help those intending to present a paper at Berlin.

If you wish to present a paper, please remember these requirements:

- Papers should reflect the conference theme: "Access Point Library: Media - Information-Culture". Details of the theme and sub-themes are listed on IFLANET at <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla69/69theme.htm>
- Proposals for papers need to be submitted for approval to the IFLA Section or other professional unit by the date announced by them.
- Speakers of approved papers are required to send the full text of their papers, including an abstract, to the officers of the Section sponsoring their session, by the date announced by the Section.
- Officers should forward the approved original papers to Sophie Felföldi at sophie.felfoldi@ifla.org in electronic form. They should be single-spaced, A4 page size, 12 point font size, in Word or RTF format.
- A conference paper consists of:
 - Title of the paper
 - Name(s) of speaker(s), their Institution, city and country
 - Abstract of approximately 100 words, summarizing the presentation
 - Full text
- The minimum length is 3 pages and the maximum length of papers is 21 pages (single-spaced A4).
- The layout of the "title page" will be created by IFLA HQ, according to the data delivered and PDF files will be created to be used for IFLANET and the production of the CD-Rom.
- If you are preparing a Power Point Presentation with the paper, it should be integrated into ONE SINGLE WORD document. Please see an example of such a paper on our website at: <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla68/papers/155-080e.pdf>
- POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS, without accompanying speaking texts, will be not accepted as papers. Please note that the interpreters can interpret only the texts of papers. They cannot reproduce charts, graphics or power point presentation parts of papers.
- Papers may be written and presented in any of the IFLA working languages (English, French, German, Russian and Spanish).
- Translations should be provided into the other languages whenever possible. Not all sessions have interpretation, so written translations (with abstracts) are very important for many conference participants.
- Please avoid using unexplained acronyms, sets of initials, jargon and phrases which an international audience may not understand.
- The full text of the paper and abstract must be submitted to Sophie Felföldi, IFLA Web Manager at sophie.felfoldi@ifla.org no later than 1st June 2003 (please note the earlier date this year, because the conference is earlier). It will then appear on IFLANET and included on the conference CD ROM. Earlier submission would be appreciated.
- Papers submitted after this date will not be posted on IFLANET until after the conference. They will not be included in the CD ROM. Conference participants will therefore not be able to print them out at the conference. Speakers are therefore urged to comply with this deadline.
- It is a long-established policy of IFLA that speakers are responsible for all the expenses involved in attending the conference. However, limited funds may be available to cover the day registration fees (but not other expenses) of speakers from other disciplines who would not normally attend an IFLA conference. Please contact Sjoerd Koopman sjoerd.koopman@ifla.org or Josche Neven josche.neven@ifla.org for details before you confirm an "outside" speaker.
- IFLA has first publication rights to papers presented at the conference.

The quality of our conference as a whole vitally depends on the relevance and interest of the papers, together with the standard of presentation. Evaluations suggest that they are improving year by year. Please help us make the Berlin conference the best yet! (Ross Shimmon, October 2002)

Call for Papers: Asia & Oceania

It is increasingly recognised in many developing countries that the public library has a key role in the education and social development of citizens, as well as a function in contributing to a knowledge-based society. This means that the public library must be seen as a learning organisation. Accordingly, under the theme, Public Libraries as Learning Resource Centres, the Section wishes to receive abstracts of papers for possible presentation at this session from individuals or organisations in the Asia-Pacific region.

Topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- * The public library as a learning organisation
- * Information services in public libraries, especially
- * Information literacy
- * Meeting the needs of specific client groups (physically challenged, youth, women, etc.)
- * Public library services to rural communities
- * Collection building for lifelong learning in public libraries
- * IT applications for improved services and enhancement of learning

Abstracts must be received by 31 December 2002, and successful applicants will be informed by 1 February 2003. Once an abstract is accepted, presenters are required to give a firm undertaking that they will attend the Conference in Berlin. Full papers must be received by 1 May 2003. There will be one speaker's grant awarded to the best full paper received by 1 March 2003, with the grantee informed by 15 March 2003. Other speakers will be required to find their own support for attending the Conference.

Questions and abstracts may be directed to the Section officers:

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(Rashidah Begum)

Call for Papers: Africa

THEME: Libraries and Cultural Values in the Changing Information World: African Perspective

1. Papers must be original and have never been published before.
2. Papers should be of 20 pages maximum, two-double space.
3. They should be in English or French with an abstract of one page in the same language.
4. 20 minutes will be allowed for the delivery of the paper.
5. Papers may be submitted by e.mail, fax or post.
6. The author should indicate his/her personal full contact and a summary of the curriculum vitae.
7. Deadline for submitting abstracts is 13 December 2002.

Selection:

Members of IFLA/Africa Section including the Regional Manager will select the best papers in January 2003. The successful applicants will be informed by February 2003.

Please send your abstracts to:

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(Gwenda Thomas, Reference 2, Tue, 08 Oct 2002)

Call for Papers: Reading

PROGRAMME: The Effect of the Internet on Reading

IMPORTANT DATES:

1 Dec. 2002: Deadline for submission of 500 word abstract to amfasick@earthlink.net

or fax: 415-564-3096

15 Jan 2003: Notification of acceptance/rejection of submission by the program committee

(Catharina Stenberg, John Cole, Adele Fasick)

1 March 2003: Deadline for full paper submission

Adele M. Fasick

Section on Reading

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(Extracted from: Adele Fasick, Reference 2, Thu, 10 Oct 2002)

Call for Papers: Genealogy and Local History

Theme:

Cooperation between archives, libraries and museums

We would like papers on the subject, both from institutions with cooperation already, and also from institutions with no cooperation. In Norway, as an example, the Norwegian Museum Authority, the National Office for Research Documentation, Academic and Special Libraries in Norway and The Norwegian Directorate for Public Libraries will be one institution from next year.

We will be interested in having papers worldwide dealing with the subject from all points of view.

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(Extracted from Reference 1, October 07, 2002)

Call for Papers: Audiovisual and Multimedia + Education and Training

Open Forums:

"Audiovisual and Multimedia as part of the Curricula in Library Schools and Continuing Education - Visions and Realities."

Contact:

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(Extracted from: Ian Johnson, Reference 2, Thu, 24 Oct 2002)

Call for Poster Presentations

An alternative approach for the presentation of projects/new work will be available for conference participants. An area on the conference premises has been designated for the presentation of information regarding projects or activities of interest to librarians. Presentations may include posters, leaflets (etc.) in several of the IFLA working languages (English, French, Spanish, German and Russian), if possible. Further advice on poster sessions may be obtained from IFLA Headquarters. The Professional Committee of IFLA will review all submissions. Colleagues interested in presenting a poster session are invited to complete the form and to send it with a brief description of not more than 200 words of the session (in English, French, Spanish, German or Russian).

TIME SCHEDULE:

15 February 2003

Deadline for receipt at IFLA Headquarters of the application form and a detailed description of the poster session.

15 April 2003

IFLA Headquarters will inform applicants of the final decision of the Professional Committee.

Download application form:

<http://www.ifla.org/iv/ifla69/callps-e.htm>

Description may be sent electronically to:
ifla@ifla.org
(Reference 1, September 05, 2002)

Grants for Conference Participation: IFLA 2001 U.S. National Organizing Committee

The U.S. International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) 2001 National Organizing Committee composed of representatives from the American Association of Law Libraries, American Library Association, Association of Library and Information Science Education, Association of Research Libraries, Medical Library Association, and Special Libraries Association, is pleased to announce the 'Fellowships for the Americas Program'.

The program provides grants for librarians from the Americas, including South America, Central America, North America and the Caribbean, to attend the IFLA conferences in Berlin in 2003 and Buenos Aires in 2004. The 'Fellowships for the Americas Program' will be funded from the net revenues earned from the IFLA 2001 Conference, which was held August 16-25, 2001, in Boston.

The program was announced at a press conference at the IFLA 2002 Conference at the Scottish Exhibition and Convention Centre in Glasgow on Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Fifteen fellowships will be offered for librarians from the Americas to attend the IFLA 2003 Conference in Berlin. The number of fellowships available for the Buenos Aires conference will be determined in 2003.

To be eligible librarians must be from the Americas, born after 1962, have a minimum of five years of working experience in a library or information setting, and not be a regular IFLA conference delegate.

The fellowships will provide conference registration, air travel, shared accommodations and a per diem, as well as a small orientation and reception for the participants.

The application deadline for the IFLA Conference in Berlin will be January 15, 2003.

Applications in English and Spanish can be completed online at <https://cs.ala.org/ifla>.

To receive an application by mail or fax, please contact: International Relations Office
American Library Association,
50 East Huron Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611
USA
Fax: +(1)(312)2804392

Grants for Conference Participation: Africa

The Africa Regional Section, through funding made available to them from INASP (the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications), supported by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, is once again able to contribute, on a cost-sharing basis, to the participation cost of a limited number of delegates from Africa to the IFLA Conference. The Travel Grant will cover air ticket, registration fee and a small out of pocket allowance. The cost of accommodation and meals will be met by the delegates. Applicants should meet the following conditions:

- Must be working in a public library
- Must have a minimum of five years of professional experience
- Must be a national of the listed countries; Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Ghana, Nigeria, Malawi, Zambia and Botswana.
- Must be a member of the National Library Association (evidence of membership will be required from the Association)

Priority will be given to younger professionals and applicants who are not regular IFLA conference attendees. If your institution can afford to sponsor you on the basis of this cost-sharing package, please apply by filling the form given below. Only those delegates who are able to contribute their part of the cost should apply. Those who have received this Grant in the past do not qualify.

Return the completed application form before

March 1st 2003 to:

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(Gwenda Thomas, Reference 2, Tue, 08 Oct 2002)

Grants for Conference Participation: Dr. Shawky Salem

The Dr. Shawky Salem Conference Grant is an annual grant established by Dr. Shawky Salem and the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA). The aim of the grant is to enable one expert in library and information science who is a national of an Arab country, to attend the IFLA Conference. Candidates should not have attended an IFLA conference previously.

The winner of the Grant will be expected to write a report on the conference.

Financial provisions:

The grant is to cover the cost of travel (economy class air transportation) to and from the host country of the conference, registration, hotel costs and a per diem allowance.

Management:

IFLA will act as administrator to the grant and will provide the Secretary of the jury.

Selection:

The selection of a grantee will be made before 1 March of the relevant year by a jury consisting members appointed by Dr. Salem and by IFLA. The grantee will be informed of his or her selection by the Secretary of the Jury in April every year.

Applications for the grant should be sent to:

Secretary General

IFLA Headquarters

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2509 CH The Hague, Netherlands

Fax: +31 70 3834827; E-mail: ifla@ifla.org

(Karin Passchier, Reference 2, Wed, 11 Sep 2002)

Grants for Conference Participation: Hans-Peter Geh

Objectives:

To sponsor annually a librarian from the geographic region previously called the Soviet Union, including the Baltic States to attend an IFLA Seminar or Conference for becoming acquainted with new international developments in the field of information.

Applications:

The applicants should be either IFLA Personal Affiliates or employees of IFLA Members. The application must be accompanied by a Statement of Intent in English, French or German (not more than 3 pages), which should include:

- the reasons for application specifying the seminar or conference the applicant wishes to attend
- a proposed budget, including financial sources from elsewhere
- a curriculum vitae

Reporting:

A brief report on the Grantee's experience and findings will be submitted to IFLA Headquarters within 6 months after the respective Conference or Seminar.

Deadline of application: 1 March 2003.

Application forms can be ordered from:

IFLA Headquarters

P.O. Box 95312

2509 CH The Hague, Netherlands

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IFLA 2003: New Winner of a Free Registration

At the IFLA 2002 conference in Glasgow, The British Council Germany announced five winners of a British Council sponsored free registration for IFLA 2003. Among the winners was a colleague of the Berlin State Library. After the conference, he returned his free registration to allow a colleague from outside Germany to attend the IFLA 2003 conference with a British Council sponsored ticket. Another prize draw was done under the supervision of the director general of the Berlin State Library and I am happy to announce that the free registration will now go to Mr. Yared Mammo from Ethiopia. The four other winners are: Michele Mathieu, France, Salma Chowdhury, Bangladesh, Domenico Ciccarello, Italy, and Mariana Kiriakov, Republic of Moldova.

Barbara Schleihaagen

IFLA 2003 Secretary General

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Satellite meetings

(to be held in conjunction with the Conference in Berlin, 1-9 August 2003)

Status: 18 October, 2002

1. Information Technology and DCMI

Converging, complementary or other forms of describing Internet/Digital Objects: DCMI, IFLA and other Communities (Museums, Archives, Industries, Governments) Standards and Guidelines

Dates: 11-13 August

Co-Sponsor: State and University Library Goettingen DCMI

Dissemination of Results: Public Web Page, Online Conference proceedings on the web-sites of the supporting institutions

2. Cataloguing

Cataloguing Rules in the Context of International Common Files and Bibliographic Exchange : Towards an International Cataloguing Code for Description and Access

Dates: 28-30 July 2003

Co-Sponsor: Deutsche Bibliothek

Dissemination of Results:

1. A public web-page
2. Conference Proceedings in the IFLA Saur Series (subject to agreement)

3. Library and Research Services for Parliaments

19th Pre-Conference for the Section on Library and Research Services for Parliaments

Location: Parliament, Prague, Czech Republic

Dates: 2-day pre-conference, dates to be confirmed

Dissemination of Results: Via the Newsletter of the Section

4. Statistics and Library Theory and Research

Performance Measurement in Libraries and Information Services: Northumbria 5

Location: Durham City, U.K.

Dates: 28-31 July 2003

Co-Sponsor: School of Information Studies at the University of Northumbria at Newcastle

Dissemination of Results: Proceedings will be published by the University of Northumbria at Newcastle

5. Bibliography

Publication of National Bibliographies in Electronic Form : workshop

Location: National Library, Prague, Czech Republic

Dates: 29-30 July, 2003 or 11-12 August, 2003

Co-Sponsor: OSI-NLP

Dissemination of Results: Small brochure covering the discussed topics will be published. Participants will receive hard copies of slides representing all the presentations. All the materials will also be published on IFLANET.

6. Government Information and Official Publications

Libraries and democracy in Eastern Europe: holding governments accountable through public information

Location: Prague and Dresden

Dates: 31 July - 2 August

Co-Sponsor:

Dissemination of Results: Electronic and print depending on preferences of target audience

7. Women's Issues

Globalisation: Empowering women through information. Impact of information availability and use in society on women.

Location: Preferably Berlin, Potsdam is also an option

Dates: 2 days within 28 July - 1 August

Co-Sponsor: Public Libraries Section and Library and Information Science Journals

Dissemination of Results: On IFLANET, possibly as a monograph

8. Libraries for the Blind

Access Point Library: Where do the Blind Fit

Location: Marburg/Lahn, Hessen (Germany)

Dates: 27-30 July

Co-Sponsor:

Dissemination of Results: IFLANET, IFLA SLB Newsletter, and international professional publications.

9. Management and Marketing and Education and Training

E-learning for marketing and Management in Libraries

Location: Geneva

Dates: 28-30 July

Co-Sponsor: Université de Genève, Ecole nationale supérieure des sciences de l'information et des bibliothèques (ENSSIB), Lyon (France), Haute École de gestion, Département Information et Documentation (Genève), École de bibliothéconomie et des sciences de l'information (Université de Montréal, Québec, Canada)

Dissemination of Results: SET Bulletin, M&M

newsletter and IFLANET

10. Management and Marketing

Leadership and risk taking in library management; Performance measurement and statistics in library management

Location: Vienna, Austria (University Library of Vienna)

Dates: August 10-12

Co-Sponsor: Austrian Librarians Association, University Library of Vienna

Dissemination of Results: A public web-page, conference proceedings

11. Preservation and Conservation

Disaster Preparedness Risk Management the Blue Shield Initiative

Location: Moscow - State Library or Berlin - Preussische Staatsbibliothek

Dates: pre-conference, 2-3 days

Co-Sponsor: PAC Core Activity

Dissemination of Results: Publishing papers and proceedings

12. Geography and Map Libraries

Issues in Map Librarianship

Location: Granada, Spain

Dates: pre-conference, 2 days

Co-Sponsor:

Dissemination of Results: Journal Articles, a special thematic issue

13. Library Buildings and Equipment with Public Libraries

Library as Place: Buildings for the 21st Century

Location: Paris

Dates: 27-31 July (5 days)

Dissemination of Results: Web site, and publication of proceedings

14. Acquisition and Collection Development

Digital Resources and Collection Development

Location: Munich

Dates: Pre-conference, 2-3 days

Co-Sponsor: Bayerische Staatsbibliothek
Dissemination of Results: Publishing Proceedings

15. Newspapers

Newspapers of Central and Eastern Europe
Location: Berlin
Dates: Date to be selected within the general conference dates of 1-9 August 2003!
Dissemination of Results: IFLANET

16. Library Theory and Research and FAIFE

The Ethics of Librarianship
Location: Not yet decided
Dates: pre-conference, 1-2 days
Dissemination of Results: Not yet decided

17. Library Services to Multicultural Populations

Multilingual Collections; acquisition and communication. Aspects: acquiring materials; cataloguing; new media communications to multicultural populations, how to give access to multilingual collections and information.
Location: Utrecht, Netherlands
Dates: (Evening) 10 August - (Evening) 13 August
Dissemination of Results: IFLANET
(Extracted from Reference 1, October 18, 2002)

FUTURE IFLA CONFERENCES

**World Library and Information Congress:
70th IFLA General Conference and Council
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2004**

"Libraries: Tools for Education and Development"

Welcome to IFLA 2004 in Buenos Aires! For the first time in South America!

Invitation:

The Argentine National Organizing Committee and the Asociación de Bibliotecarios Graduados de la República Argentina take great pleasure in

inviting you to the 70TH IFLA General Conference which will take place in the City of Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 20-27 August, 2004.

Theme:

"Libraries: Tools for Education and Development"
Information and knowledge are extremely important for education and development. They are also essential requirements to improve the quality of life of all inhabitants in places where the population has not reached a high degree of economic and social development. In Latin America this demand for information requires Libraries so that they can work together on the process of education, cooperating as pillars of the educational system and opening the ways to knowledge, culture and social development.

Conference Venue:

The Hilton Convention Centre

Contact: Fundación El Libro

Hipólito Yrigoyen 1628,
5° Piso C1089AAF
Buenos Aires, Argentina
Phone: +(54)(11)43743288
Fax: +(54)(11)43750268
<http://www.el-libro.com.ar>
E-mail: bibliotecarios@el-libro.com.ar

(Extracted from Reference 1, September 12, 2002)

**World Library and Information Congress:
71st IFLA General Conference and Council
Oslo, Norway, August 14-19, 2005**

For information regarding the conference please contact:

Norwegian Library Association

Malerhaugveien 20

N-0661 Oslo, Norway

Email: tore.andersen@norskbiotekforening.no

Telephone: + 47 22688550; Fax: + 47 22672368

(Extracted from Reference 1, February 25, 2002)

**World Library and Information Congress:
72nd IFLA General Conference and Council
Seoul, Republic of Korea, 2006**

**World Library and Information Congress:
73rd IFLA General Conference and Council
Durban, South Africa, 2007**

EVENTS AROUND THE WORLD

13-15 February 2003, Ahmedabad, India

CALIBER-2003, the International Convention on "Mapping Technology on Libraries and People" Organised by INFLIBNET Centre

(www.inflibnet.ac.in) in collaboration with Nirma Education and Research Foundation

The main theme

-Mapping Technology on Libraries and People

The sub-themes

-Library Automation

-Consortia

-Telecommunication

-User studies

For more details visit

<http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/calibers/caliber03.htm>

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Gujarat University Campus

PB 4116, Navrangpura

Ahmedabad - 380009

Gujarat, INDIA

March 2-6, 2003, Colombo, Sri Lanka

IFLA RSCAO Mid-year Meeting 2003

Regular business meeting of the Standing Committee, IFLA Regional Activities: Asia and Oceania Section.

Pre/Post Seminar/Workshop is/are being planned

Contact: Harrison.Perera@britishcouncil.lk

March 6-8, 2003, Jamshedpur, India

The 5th Annual National MANLIBNET Convention

Organizer:

XLRI - Institute of Management and Labour Studies Jamshedpur

Management Libraries Network (MANLIBNET)

Theme: "Emerging Digital Library Initiatives and Future of Business and Management Information in India"

Organizing Secretary:

Dr. Sangayya S Sirurmath

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http: www.xlri.ac.in. E-mail: sss@xlri.ac.in

For More details (<http://www.xlri.ac.in>)

March 20 – 22, 2003, Chiang Mai, Thailand

International Conference (Asia – Pacific) Challenges and Opportunities for Library and Information Professionals in Knowledge Management and the Digital Age

Organizers :

Department of Library Science, Chiang Mai University, Thailand

OCLC Asia-Pacific

IFLA Regional Office for Asia and Oceania

Thailand – U.S. Educational Foundation

(Fulbright)

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Fax. 053-221595

E-mail : tasanas@chiangmai.ac.th

www.human.emu.ac.th/~lib/international.conference.html

May 4-8, 2003, Brunei Darussalam

CONSAL XII - 2003

Theme: Information Resources Empowerment:

Enhancing Knowledge Heritage

Organised by Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka, Brunei

Darussalam with the cooperation the Brunei

Darussalam Library Association and supported by

the CONSAL Secretariat, Singapore and Ministry

of Culture Youth and Sports, Brunei Darussalam.

Contact:

The Secretariat, CONSAL XII - 2003 Brunei
Darussalam Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka Brunei
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Brunei Darussalam
Tel: 02-235501 ext. 112, 114, 115
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Website: www.ppknbd.org.bn, www.consal.org.sg,
www.ubd.edu.bn.

May 5-7, 2003, Salamanca, Spain

**4th International Colloquium on Library
and Information Science
6th Conference of the ISKO Spanish
Chapter**

Under the motto "Trends of knowledge
organization research", the VI Conference of the
ISKO (International Society for Knowledge
Organization) Spanish Chapter and IV
International Colloquium on Library and
Information Science invites all interested people to
participate actively with oral papers.

Conference venue:

University of Salamanca
Facultad de Traducción y Documentación
Francisco Vitoria, 6-16
37008 Salamanca
Spain

Registration: <http://www.usal.es/precurext>

Information:

José Antonio Frías
Tlf. 34 923 294 580, ext. 3063
Fax. 34 923 294 582
E-mail: frias@usal.es
<http://www.ugr.es/~isko>

**May 18-21, 2003, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,
USA**

**2003 Information Resources
Management Association
International Conference**

14th Annual IRMA International

Radisson Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, USA
<http://www.irma-international.org>

Theme:

Information Technology and Organizations:
Trends, Issues, Challenges and Solutions

IMPORTANT DATES:

Manuscript Submission Deadline: October 4, 2002

Notification of Acceptance/Rejection: November
29, 2002

Final Submission Due: January 10, 2003

Early Registration Ends: April 4, 2003

Conference Period: May 18-21, 2003

All enquiries and submissions should go to:

Mehdi Khosrow-Pour, Program Chair

irmaconf@irma-international.org

May 25-30, 2003, Dubrovnik and Mljet, Croatia

**Annual Course and Conference:
Libraries in the Digital Age (LIDA) 2003**

Themes LIDA 2003:

I. WORLD WIDE WEB AND INFORMATION
RETRIEVAL (IR)

II. WORLD WIDE WEB AND LIBRARIES

Venues:

The first part of LIDA, 25-27 May 2003, will be
held in Dubrovnik and for the second part, 28-30
May 2003, the conference moves to island Mljet,
less than two hour ride from Dubrovnik on a fast
catamaran. Pre-conference workshops are planned
for 25 May 2003.

Contact:

Inter-University Centre (<http://www.hr/iuc>)

Don Ivana Bulica 4, 20000 Dubrovnik, Croatia.
and Hotel Odisej, island Mljet, Pomena, Croatia
(<http://www.hotelodisej.hr>)

Course web site: <http://www.pedos.hr/lida>

Course email: lida@pedos.hr

Course web site www.pedos.hr/lida

June 23 -25, 2003, Penang, Malaysia

**ASIA AND OCEANIA
CONFERENCE ON CHANGES AND
CHALLENGES OF THE PUBLIC
LIBRARY SERVICES TO BRIDGE
THE DIGITAL DIVIDE**

The objectives of this Conference are :

- To highlight the role of Information and

Communication Technology ICT in the promotion of library and information services to the public to bridge the digital divide

- To identify public library services using ICT so as to extend these services beyond the walls of the library and to narrow the gap between the information rich and information poor.
- To share among public libraries in the Southeast Asian and Asian region related experiences in the developments in public library services in the wake of the rapid and exciting development in ICT.
- Public Libraries are a gateway to electronic information and knowledge and in order to fulfill the principle of access for all they must continue to maintain services that provide information in different ways for example through print materials.

Speakers will include Rob Bruijnzeels from the Netherlands Association of Public Libraries who will present the vision of the LIBRARIES 2040 - a project where ideals and dreams of the community are met through the experience of reading in a modern networked library environment; Philip G. Gill, Chairman of the Working Group that is responsible for the publication of the The Public Library Service :IFLA/UNESCO Guidelines for Development 2001; Anis Yusal Yusoff, Programme Manager, Malaysia, Brunei and Singapore, United Nations Development Programme; Rashidah Haji Bolhassan, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Sarawak State Library. In addition there will be presentations from Librarians and information specialists from several countries in the Asia and Oceania region.

The Conference which is organised with the cooperation of IFLA Advancement of Librarianship program will be held at the Gurney Resort Hotel, Penang, Malaysia from 23 -25 June 2003. For more information contact:

E-mail: rashidahbegum@pd.jaring.my

or Mr. Ong Chai Lin

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Seberang Jaya

13700 Perai, Penang Malaysia

Tel : 604- 397 1058 / 604 397 9949

Fax: 604 397 0226

E-mail: ong@penanglib.gov.my

<http://www.penanglib.gov.my>

June 26-29, 2003, Ottawa, Canada

The Fun of Reading: International Forum on Canadian Children's Literature

Organised by the National Library of Canada

The year 2003 marks the 50th anniversary of the National Library of Canada. To celebrate this historic occasion, the National Library will host The Fun of Reading: International Forum on Canadian Children's Literature. The Forum – a multidisciplinary conference and its companion activities, a variety of engaging public events with and for young people - will take place in Ottawa, with affiliated activities across Canada, from Thursday through Sunday, June 26-29, 2003.

Conference website <http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/forum>

July 7-11, 2003, Durban, South Africa

32nd International Association of School Librarianship (IASL) Conference

Theme: School Libraries: Breaking Down Barriers
For more detailed information regarding types of presentations and sub-themes go to www.iasl-slo.org/conference2003-call.html

Contact:

Sandy Zinn, Department of Library and Information Science, University of the Western Cape, Private Bag X17, Bellville, 7535, South Africa.

Fax: +27 21 959 3659

Attention: Sandy Zinn, Department of Library and Information Science, University of the Western Cape

E-mail: szinn@uwc.ac.za

(Sandy Zinn, Reference 2, Mon, 21 Oct 2002)

August 24-27, 2003, Adelaide, South Australia

10th Asia Pacific Special, Health and Law Librarians' Conference

Australian Library & Information Association and Australian Law Librarians' Group

Conference Secretariat:
Festival City Conventions Pty Ltd
PO Box 949
KENT TOWN SA 5071
AUSTRALIA
Phone: +61 8 8363 1307
Fax: + 61 8 8363 1604
Email: librarians@fconventions.com.au
Page URL:
<http://www.alia.org.au/conferences/shllc/2003/index.htm>

4. ALP NEWS

Guidelines for ALP Project Applications

Project applications can be made to the ALP Programme for support to librarians, library associations, library schools or others who want to develop cooperation, knowledge and services within the special programme areas of ALP.

Project Areas

The three special programme areas of ALP are:

- Continuing education and training;
- Support of library associations, promotion of library and information services to the general public.
- Introduction of new technology into library services.

Criteria

The following criteria are relevant:

- The project should be of relevance to several countries in the sub-region or region;
- Or, if it is national, it should lend itself to development as a model or pilot project, able to be repeated in other countries;
- It should have the support of relevant authorities or organizations;
- It should fit into the current Medium Term Programme of ALP;
- Projects cannot be supported if their main aim is to provide buildings or equipment.

Information that must be submitted

- Background and justification (needs/problems, general situation including roles of local authorities and organizations);

- Objectives (in concrete, realistic and measurable terms);
- Target group (Who will benefit? Participation?);
- Institutional framework (responsible organization/institution and its national standing);
- Person responsible (qualifications/experience);
- The Project (activities, methodology, personnel, equipment);
- Time schedule (maximum 5 years, phases);
- Project budget in USD (total costs, amount requested from IFLA/ALP);
- Support from authorities/organizations (Has the proposal already been submitted to other organizations for support? With what results?);
- Proposals for reporting, monitoring, evaluation;
- Continuity (How will continuity be assured? What happens when the project is completed? Which local authorities or organizations will assume responsibility?);
- Will the results of the project be published?;
- Who will actually work with the project? Qualifications?

Annual Procedure and Time Schedule for Project Handling

January 31: Deadline for Project Applications to reach the Regional Manager.

February: Proposals are sent to the Regional Advisory Committee to be appraised.

April: Applicants are informed.

May-July: Preparation for the annual meeting of the ALP Advisory Committee at the IFLA Annual Conference.

August: Meeting of the ALP Advisory Committee to give final advice.

IFLA's Professional Board and the applicants are then informed about the results, and fund-raising is started for the approved projects. When (if) funds can be raised a contract will be signed.

The application should be sent to IFLA's office in the concerned region:

Africa

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IFLA Regional Office for Africa
Bibliothèque de l'Université
Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar
B.P. 2006, DAKAR, Senegal
Tel.: +221 824 6981

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Asia and Oceania

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(Host: Thai Library Association)
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Bangkok 10700
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Latin America and the Caribbean

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5. MISCELLANEOUS

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

A Joint Statement

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) and the International Publishers Association (IPA) have for a long period of time promoted the right to freedom of expression in print and electronic environments. Through the joint IFLA/IPA Steering Group, both organisations are now cooperating more intensively to ensure that the freedom of expression, and more particularly the freedom to publish, whether in the print or digital environments, be more effective. IFLA and IPA would like to re-assert that:

* Freedom of expression is a fundamental right of the human being, in accordance with article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

(UDHR) and article 19 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR). Freedom of expression is the right of every individual both to hold and express opinions and to seek, impart and receive information, through any media, regardless of frontiers.

* The right to freedom of opinion and expression is at the basis of democracy and is of fundamental importance to the safeguarding of human dignity. The diversity of sources of knowledge and information is an essential prerequisite for cultural diversity, creativity, prosperity and the development of societies worldwide.

* Publishers, by distributing works of the mind, and librarians, by providing the access to the information and knowledge, play a central role in the development and maintenance of intellectual freedom and help to safeguard democratic values.

* In order for publishers and librarians to fully contribute to the advancing of science, knowledge and creativity, national legal frameworks in accordance with international instruments protecting the right to freedom of expression must be put into place.

* The basic principles of freedom of expression in accordance with Article 19 of the UDHR and ICCPR must continue to apply in the electronic environment. Global information networks facilitate the exchange of information throughout the world to the benefit of all. IPA and IFLA encourage governments to oppose any attempts to censor or inhibit the publication of, and access to, online information.

* The UNESCO Florence Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials and its additional Nairobi Protocol, by fostering the free circulation of educational, scientific and cultural materials, facilitate the free flow of ideas and thus play a central role in the widest possible dissemination of the diverse forms of self-expression in societies. IFLA and IPA encourage the ratification and implementation of both instruments.

* IFLA and IPA will do their utmost to oppose steadfastly any attempt or threat to restrict the

freedom of expression and more particularly the freedom to publish, whether in the print or digital environments.

Adopted by the IFLA/IPA Steering Group at its 8th meeting held in Glasgow on 22 August 2002 (Sophie Felfoldi, Reference 2, Wed, 9 Oct 2002)

WWW

Bibliographic Record Enrichment Project

With the approval of the Board of ALA's Reference User Services Association (RUSA), the Library of Congress has begun adding to its catalog records the annotations for the sites selected annually by the RUSA Machine Assisted Reference Section (MARS), Best Free Web Sites Committee. The lists, which have been compiled since 1999, appear in the fall issue of the RUSA Quarterly and on the ALA RUSA MARS website. <http://www.ala.org/rusa/mars/>

Usually, 25-30 sites are selected each year. The Library of Congress project to add the annotations has been undertaken under the auspices of the Library's Bibliographic Enrichment Advisory Team (BEAT), a cross-departmental R & D group whose mission includes enriching the content of Library of Congress bibliographic records. The project follows a similar on-going undertaking to add annotations to the catalog records for the titles included in the annual list of print Outstanding Reference Sources produced by the ALA RUSA Collection Development and Evaluation Section (CODES). Additional information about BEAT projects is available from the BEAT web site at <http://lcweb.loc.gov/catdir/beat/> (John D. Byrum, Jr.)

FAIFE

We are delighted to announce that the integration of IFLA Committee on Free Access to Information and Freedom of Expression (FAIFE) site into the IFLA main site has been completed successfully.

Please change your bookmark:

<http://www.ifla.org/faife/>

Sophie Felfoldi, Web Manager, IFLA
(Reference 2, Thu, 25 Jul 2002)

Final Report of the UK Commission on Intellectual Property Rights

The Final Report of the UK Commission on Intellectual Property Rights, launched in Geneva on 16 September 2002, is available in Word, PDF and HTM formats at:

http://www.iprcommission.org/graphic/documents/final_report.htm

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Free Web-Access to NISO Standards

Washington, DC, October 7, 2002 NISO, the National Information Standards Organization, will continue to make its national standards available as free downloadable pdf files from the NISO website. This decision was reaffirmed unanimously by the NISO Board of Directors meeting on September 19, 2002.

National Information Standards Organization (NISO), 4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 300
Bethesda, MD 20814-5248
Tel: 301-654-2512 Fax: 301-654-1721
nisohq@niso.org www.niso.org

Indian Discussion Forums in the Area of Library & Information Science

i) LIS-Forum - Discussion forum for library and information professionals in India

Submissions: lis-forum@ncsi.iisc.ernet.in

List info: <http://ncsi.iisc.ernet.in/mailman/listinfo/lis-forum>

ii). IATLIS - Indian Association for Teachers in Library and Information Science discussion forum

Submissions: iatlis@yahoo.com

List info: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/iatlis/>

iii). Corporatelibrns - An interactive forum for corporate librarians

Submissions: corporatelibrns@yahoo.com

List info: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/corporatelibrns/>

iv). Digital Libraries: India

Submissions: digilib_india@yahoo.com

List info:

<http://www.ncsi.iisc.ernet.in/Digital%20Libraries:%20India>

v). NMLIS - New Millennium LIS Professionals

Submissions: nmlis@yahoo.com

List info: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nmlis/>

vi). INDIA-LIS - The INDIA-LIS is a Library and Information Science in India Mailing List

Submissions: india-lis@infoserv.inist.fr

List info: <http://infoserv.inist.fr/wvsympa.fcgi/info/india-lis>

vii). Discussion Group called "digitalindia", which is a group for information and computer professionals to share their ideas on Digital Libraries.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/digitalindia/>

Post message: digitalindia@yahoo.com

Subscribe: digitalindia-subscribe@yahoo.com

Unsubscribe: digitalindia-unsubscribe@yahoo.com

List owner: digitalindia-owner@yahoo.com

(Anjali Gulati)

INFLIBNET

One of the important database developed by INFLIBNET is THESES Database, which is available online (free) at <http://www.inflibnet.ac.in> (Extracted from INFLIBNET Newsletter Vol.8 No.2 April-June 2002: 14)

'American Libraries' Report on the IFLA Conference

American Libraries' report on the IFLA conference in Glasgow is now available online at <http://www.ala.org/online/news/ifla02.html>

Mapping Asia

A web-based finding tool which provides support for research on Asia, Middle East and North Africa by gathering information about the existence, nature and availability of resources housed in UK libraries.

The site offers two searchable databases for resource discovery in all subject areas of the humanities and social sciences, covering 64 countries in Asia, Middle East and North Africa:

COLLECTION DESCRIPTIONS of resources held in UK libraries.

NEWSPAPERS published in Asia, Middle East and North Africa which are held in UK libraries.

Mapping Asia, which has been funded by the Research Support Libraries Programme (RSLP), has taken two and a half years to create. After the development work finishes in October 2002, the web-site and databases will be maintained by the School of Oriental and African Studies Library.

Mapping Asia can be accessed at

<http://www.asiamap.ac.uk>

(Extracted from Anne McIlwaine, Reference 2, 1 November 2002)

Indonesian Library Country Report

Herewith I would like to inform a good link from The National Library of Australia regarding the Indonesian Library Country Report and other Countries Report. Please take a look at www.nla.gov.au/initiatives/meetings/cdn/indonesia.pdf www.nla.gov.au/initiatives/meetings/cdn/ (kiudca@tin.it, Reference 2, Mon, 21 Oct 2002)

North American Mirror of IFLANET

IFLA is very pleased to announce that the IFLANET North American mirror site, hosted by Queens Borough Public Library, Jamaica, New York, USA, is now up and running. This mirror site
- an exact replica of IFLA's website - is a great

significance to all our library partners world-wide and a very popular information resource for all those active in the field of information.

Since the transfer of the main site from the National Library of Canada to INIST, (Institut de l'Information Scientifique et Technique) France, IFLA has sought to provide better access to IFLANET for the North American continent. Queens Borough Public Library, through its Director, Gary Strong, offered its support to IFLA in establishing a mirror site for IFLANET in the United States, thereby creating additional channels of access to the information stored on IFLA's WWW-site.

Please visit at: <http://ifla.queenslibrary.org/>
Or simply click on "North America" on IFLANET homepage at: <http://www.ifla.org/>
(Sophie Felfoldi, Web Manager, IFLA)

Searching the Deep/Invisible Web for Digital Resources

Searching using ordinary search engines do not bring out the deep/hidden web resources invisible to normal robots and spiders that build the web search engine indexes.

About 103 institutions have joined together and have made available their resources through OAIster (Open Archives Initiative) - a new web directory and searchable database of digital resources .

When you search in OAIster, you're searching a wide variety of collections from a wide variety of institutions. These institutions have made the records of their digital resources available which are gathered and aggregated into the OAIster service. Currently, there are 833,193 records from 103 institutions.

Please have a look at :
<http://oaister.umdl.umich.edu/index.html> and search for the digital resources in your area of interest.

Wish you success in your search for information
F.J. Devadason,
Director, AIT Library

SIS-India goes online

Society for Information Science (SIS), India, a professional society established in India during 1976 for library, information and documentation community, recently hosted its website <http://sis-india.netfirms.com>

This is the first national level LIS professional body in India, which hosts website.
(J K Vijayakumar, Reference 2, Fri, 27 Sep 2002)

UNESCO Knowledge Hub for Asia Pacific

The new website "UNESCO Knowledge Hub for Asia-Pacific" (<http://www.ukhap.nic.in>) developed by UNESCO Regional Bureau for Communication and Information, in New Delhi was officially launched by a message from the Director General of UNESCO, during the recent meeting of the Asia-Pacific National Commissions for UNESCO, held in Jakarta (Indonesia), 24-27 June 2002.

UNESCO Libraries Portal

I am pleased to inform you that the UNESCO Libraries Portal now has over 10,000 links including (Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives) with 122 hits.

We are in the process of modifying the presentation as well as verifying all links and invite your comments.

Best wishes.
Joie Springer
http://www.unesco.org/webworld/portal_bib/

AWARDS/GRANTS/ FELLOWSHIPS

IFLA/OCLC Fellows for 2003

DUBLIN, Ohio, August 20, 2002—OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc., and the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) today announced the

IFLA/OCLC Early Career Development Fellows for 2003:

- Selenay Aytac (Turkey), Cataloger and Information Specialist, Isik University, Istanbul, Turkey
- Anjali Gulati (India), Lecturer, Department of Library Science, University of Jammu, Jammu, India
- Hyekyong Hwang (Republic of Korea), Researcher/Librarian, Korean Institute of Science and Technology, Seoul, Korea
- Ibrahim Ramjaun (Mauritius), Librarian, National Library of Mauritius, Mauritius
- Thi Nha Vu (Viet Nam), MLIS student, Curtin University of Technology, Perth, Western Australia, Australia

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Travel Grant to SLA in New York

The Museums, Arts, and Humanities Division of the Special Libraries Association is offering a \$1000 travel grant, plus registration, to attend SLA Annual Conference in New York next June.

Application details are available online. Please distribute. Gracias!

<http://www.sla.org/division/dmah/Awards.htm>

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(Martha McPhail, Reference 2, Fri, 13 Sep 2002)

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Access to Learning Award 2003

The Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) is accepting applications for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Access to Learning Award for 2003.

Given annually to a library, library agency, or similar organization outside the United States, the

international award recognizes innovation in providing free public access to information technology. The award includes a grant up to US \$1 million.

Eligibility and Selection

What kinds of organizations should apply?

Public libraries, library agencies, or similar kinds of organizations outside the United States are invited to apply. Preference will be given to organizations sponsoring programs that have not been funded in the past by the foundation. Organizations inside the United States are not eligible to apply.

How is "free public access" defined?

An organization offers free public access if it allows all members of the public, including children and young people, to use its facilities free of charge. Preference will be given to organizations that reach out to underserved populations, such as poor or disabled patrons, or those from minority groups.

What is considered innovative?

An organization's programs are considered innovative if they provide access to information technology and services that were previously unavailable to the community.

How is the award recipient selected?

An international advisory committee of librarians and information technology experts reviews applications and selects the recipient.

The award will be presented at the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) meeting in Berlin, Germany, in August 2003. CLIR will publish a case study of the award recipient's work.

Previous Award Recipients

Award recipients include Argentina's Biblioteca del Congreso, Guatemala's Probigua, and Finland's Helsinki City Library.

The Biblioteca del Congreso is one of the few libraries in Argentina that provides services to the public free of charge. It houses a computer center that is open around the clock. Guatemala's Probigua has libraries and technology centers in

rural communities. These centers include computer training labs that teach new skills to underserved populations.

The Helsinki City Library was among the first public libraries in the world to offer Internet access to the public. It established the Information Gas Station, a portable unit providing immediate information by phone, fax, or text messages.

Deadline

Complete applications should be sent to CLIR and postmarked by February 28, 2003.

Obtaining Application Forms

A PDF version of the application is available at www.clir.org/fellowships/gates/gates.html

Applications may also be requested by phone at (+1) 202-939-4750, fax at (+1) 202-939-4765, e-mail at abishop@clir.org or by writing to the following:

Access to Learning Award

Council on Library and Information Resources

1755 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 500

Washington, DC 20036, USA

(Karin Passchier, Reference 2, Thu, 10 Oct 2002)

Reinberger Foundation Gift to Kent State University SLIS

Kent State University's School of Library and Information Science received a gift of \$240,000 from the Reinberger Foundation of Cleveland for the construction of a unique national center dedicated to training librarians who specialize in services for children, young adults and school librarianship. The gift was announced in anticipation of National Library Week (April 14-20).

"The Children's Resource Center will offer an environment similar to a children's or elementary school library complete with books, multimedia, puppets and a storytelling area," said Associate Professor Dr. Carolyn S. Brodie, who has built the School of Library and Information Science's collection of materials for youth, and is a co-recipient of the Reinberger gift. Brodie recently served as chair of the 2000 John Newbery Award

Committee.

The Children's Resource Center will be unique among the nation's library schools and will serve as a model classroom for library science programs for children's librarians. The Center is designed to be much more than a university classroom and will include a children's resource area that will house more than 5,000 children's books, materials, and resources to create a focal point for instruction in children's, young adult, and school librarianship.

The 1,700-square-foot resource center will also include a wireless computer network installed with specialized software and other resources used in children's and school libraries.

For more information contact Megan Harding, (330) 672-0419.

(InfoInternational@yahoogroups.com, Biju K. Abraham, Thu, 2 May 2002)

6. PUBLICATIONS

UNIMARC Manual-Bibliographic Format -Update 4

"The 4th Update to the UNIMARC Manual - Bibliographic Format, published by K.G. Saur, is available now!".

Update 4 includes new fields for identifiers, awards, trademarks and holdings; existing fields for electronic resources, graphical material and classification numbers have been revised; coded data lists have been extensively updated. In addition, many new examples of UNIMARC records have been included to illustrate the application of the format.

UNIMARC Manual-Bibliographic Format-2nd Edition -Update 4, München:Saur,2002.

ISBN 3-598-11215-7, EUR 38.00

(Marie-France Plassard, Reference 2, Thu, 1 Aug 2002)

ISBD(M) 2002 Version Published on IFLANET

The IFLA Section on Cataloguing's ISBD Review Group is pleased to announce publication of the 2002 Version of the International Standard Bibliographic Description for Monographic Publications (ISBD(M)). The document is available in PDF format on IFLANET at: http://www.ifla.org/VII/s13/pubs/isbd_m0602.pdf

This version incorporates changes necessary to make the provisions of this ISBD consistent with the "optionality" features described in IFLA's Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records

(FRBR), published in 1998 and available at:

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s13/frbr/frbr.htm>

In general FRBR produced recommendations to make "optional" certain data elements hitherto considered "mandatory". In the new version of ISBD(M), inclusion of a data element is considered "mandatory" in all cases for certain data elements, and in other cases is considered "mandatory" when necessary for identification of the publication being described or otherwise considered important to users of a bibliography or a catalogue. To facilitate the application of the practices stipulated, ISBD(M) designates particular data elements as optional, i.e. a cataloguing agency is free to choose to include or exclude these elements. The policy is further explained within the document at 0.1.3, and a review of the Outline provided at paragraph 0.3.2 will reveal which data elements are optional.

The 2002 revision of the ISBD(M) will be published only on the Internet because the ISBD Review Group views it as an interim document subject to further review and revision in the near term. This continued attention to its provisions will be undertaken in an effort to take into consideration changes to national and multi-national cataloguing codes resulting from the need to adjust practices to fit the evolution of publications that has occurred in recent years -- in particular, the emergence of electronic resources. The Review Group is hopeful that the investigations and rule changes resulting from these code revision activities will facilitate its efforts to maintain the currency of the ISBDs as well.

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Indian Journal of Library & Information Science (IJLIS) is a freely circulated journal among Indian Librarians. Also, it has its presence in the international scenario. The total number of copies circulated exceed 13 ,000 . The main intention of IJLIS is to introduce new trends and technologies emerge in the field of LIS to national and international readership.

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Biju K Abraham
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Free Bibliography

In November 2001, the International Council on Archives (ICA), Arsip Nasional Republik Indonesia (ANRI) and the National Archives of the Netherlands (ARA) organized an international conference on Preservation of archives in tropical climates. For this occasion the organizers published a 328-page annotated bibliography under the same title: Preservation of archives in tropical climates, written by Drs. Rene Teygeler. The author, who studied anthropology and conservation, could draw from his work on numerous development projects as well as on his extensive experience in conservation.

To facilitate the widespread distribution in the developing world the publishers were able to offer the publication for free. The bibliography can be ordered at the National Archives of the Netherlands, c/o ICC, P.O. Box 90520, 2509 CM

the Hague, the Netherlands

In the summer of 2002 the ECPA, European Commission of Preservation and Access, will also publish the bibliography at their website and at the same time it will be part of a bigger searchable database at <http://www.knaw.nl/ecpa>

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Free Proceedings

A workshop on Authority control among Chinese, Korean and Japanese languages was held in Tokyo on March 14-18 2002 at the National Institute of Informatics in cooperation with the National Diet Library. This was the third workshop on the subject. Preceding workshops took place in January and March 2001. The proceedings have been published and a few copies are available free of charge from the UBCIM office. There are also a few copies left of the proceedings of the first and second workshops. Please contact Katharina Gewehr at gewehr@dbf.ddb.de

Record of Workshop on Authority Control among Chinese, Korean and Japanese Languages (CJK Authority 3), March 14-18, 2002, held at National Institute of Informatics (NII) in cooperation with National Diet Library. [Tokyo]: National Institute of Informatics, 2002.180 p. (ISBN 4-86049-002-9) (Marie-France Plassard, Reference 2, Thu, 1 Aug 2002)

Technology guidebooks

I wanted to alert librarians to a couple of free publications that I wrote. One is a guide to Internet connectivity for technology projects. It's very basic and is aimed at administrators who are trying to understand the options and why some technologies cost more than others. This is available in 8 different languages in html or word or .pdf formats. Depending on the format and language the size ranges from 49Kb to about 800Kb.

A more recent guide is "Planning for

Sustainability: How to Keep ICT Project Running." It is for communities and organizations starting technology projects to plan for their success long before the equipment is chosen. There are pointers to methods of readiness and assessment that can be done as part of the planning. This guide is currently just in English. 78 Kb.

These were written for school directors in developing countries, but the information is certainly applicable to librarians in similar environments. Comments or questions are welcome

Both can be found on this page, under "Technical Resources"

<http://www.schoolsonline.org/resources/>

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Sponsorship Guidelines

Dear colleagues

- have you thought about sponsoring in libraries?

Outside the English-speaking countries, this is quite a new area. The Finnish Ministry of Education has published guidelines for public libraries regarding

cooperation in sponsorship, advertising and marketing. You'll find the four-page material in English on this address:

<http://www.minedu.fi/minedu/culture/library/sponsoring.doc>

(Tuula Haavisto, Reference 2, Mon, 5 Aug 2002)

Agricultural Information in Electronic Format Available to Developing Countries at a Small Fraction of the Actual Cost

TEEAL, The Essential Electronic Agricultural Library, is a database of over 140 journals selected by 600 international scientists as the most essential to research and education in rural development, sustainable agriculture, crop development, forestry, animal management, pest control and many other disciplines that are important to the development of agriculture in developing countries. Available

only to developing countries, this database is in CD-ROM format and consists of 337 compact discs that provide complete text and images of these more than 140 selected journals for 1993-2000. The Base Set contains literature from 1993 - 1996 with updates for 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000. The 2001 update should be ready for shipment by December, 2002. If you have this set, your researchers, academicians and students will have electronic access to more than 1.7 million pages of text diagrams and photos from these important journals in agriculture. TEEAL, which is a project of Cornell University's Albert R. Mann Library, in association with the Rockefeller Foundation and cooperating publishers is able to provide this important scientific literature at an affordable price to developing countries. The TEEAL Base Set and updates are available to developing countries at between 1.4% - 6% of the cost of the literature in developed nations.

The following countries in Asia and Oceania are eligible to buy TEEAL: Mongolia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Laos, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Myanmar, Phillipines, Vietnam, Jordan, Yemen, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Kribiti, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Samoa and Tonga.

Libraries in the following countries in the Asia and Oceania region have acquired or are in the process of acquiring this database: Bangladesh, Indonesia, Nepal, Phillipines Sri Lanka, Somoa and Vietnam.

For a demo disc, leaflet or to order contact:

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