

# **Open Science and Scholarship Advisory Committee**

## **Terms of Reference (25 August 2023)**

The Advisory Committee has the following purpose: to provide advice to the Governing Board and Secretary General on the strategic directions of IFLA's engagement with Open Science and Scholarship, including Open Access and related issues. The Committee works in consultation with other relevant IFLA research, policy and advocacy, and publishing activities as well as relevant IFLA Sections and Regional Divisions.

The Committee complements the work of the Governing Board and IFLA staff. It does not remove or replace any of the responsibilities and duties of the Governing Board or the Secretary General and staff.

The Advisory Committee has the following responsibilities:

- Advise the Governing Board on the strategic priorities and activities of IFLA on questions associated with open science, scholarship, open access and related issues
- Enable exchange between and coordination of the activities of IFLA units working on questions associated with open science and scholarship
- Participate in awareness raising of open science and open access activities to IFLA members, volunteers, and strategic partners
- Support IFLA's policy development and advocacy in areas relevant to open science and scholarship, and identify emerging opportunities
- Liaise with the Governing Board's Professional Council on the participation of IFLA's professional units in open science and scholarship activities, and the Regional Council on the participation of regional units, providing input, guidance and support as needed
- Cooperate with other international and regional organisations working on open science and open access initiatives
- Advise the Governing Board on the implementation of the IFLA Statement on Open Access
- Represent IFLA where required