



**IFLA Social Sciences Libraries Section – Business Meeting - Zoom Meeting
Thursday November 30, 2023**

<https://www.ifla.org/social-science-libraries>

Attendees:

Abby Moore (Chair)

Ekaterina Shibaeva (Information Coordinator)

Robin Kear (Secretary)

Lee LaFleur

Muhammad Yousuf Ali

Chiku Mnubi Mchombu

Regrets: Debal Kar

Abby Moore called the meeting to order at 12:05 am EST time.

1. Recap: suggested topic of webinar
 - a. Discussion – There could be members of the committee who contribute. There could be a series of webinars, systematic reviews, meta-analysis, and scoping reviews. Perhaps an introductory webinar to discuss why they are important, why it is done, with views from the Global North and South.
 - b. What is the goal of the webinar?
 - i. To explore and show: what is a systematic review, what is the librarian's role, how to start a systematic review service, are there differences across the world.
 - c. Format: 1.5 hour virtual webinar, moderator would give the overview, lightning talks from 3-4 speakers with provided questions, with time for Q&A
 - i. What is your experience with systematic reviews?
 - ii. How do you accomplish this?
 - iii. What is creative about your project?
 - iv. What do you think the impact of your project is? Why are systematic reviews important?
 - d. Speakers:
 - i. Committee Chair Abby will moderate. Committee Member Yousef agreed to speak.
 - ii. Looking for other speakers with experience in systematic reviews from the other committee members, different perspectives.
 - iii. There are possibilities of three other speakers, from UNC Charlotte (USA), the University of Pittsburgh (USA), and the University of Namibia.
 - iv. Can also show the impact of the systematic reviews, challenges, tools used.
 - e. Title: Vote on a title – Abby (action item); Abby will send possible titles.

- f. Possible Date: First two weeks of June 2024, specific dates will depend on speakers and time zones.
2. Take a look! There has been work on the Social Sciences Blog: <https://blogs.ifla.org/social-science/2023/11/03/muhammad-yousuf-ali/>
3. Co-opting members: Abby reached out to 1 member. The deadline for the general call will end soon.
4. The next meeting of the Committee will be in early February. Robin will send a poll. We will continue working on the webinar through basecamp and on email.

Action Items

- Abby will create three possible titles for voting on, with a blank space for other suggestions.
- We need speaker suggestions and feedback on the proposal from other committee members. Please do this by December 14th. We will finalize the list of speakers by mid-January 2024.

Abby Moore ended the meeting at 12:58 pm EST time.