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.
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.