SPEAKERS

Vicki McDonald  
IFLA President

Sharon Memis  
IFLA Secretary-General
How we’ll work

• We’ll maximise the time available to answer questions. We’re starting with questions asked in advance, but you can also use the Q&A function to ask questions.

• If your question has already been asked, we may need to prioritise those whose questions haven’t been asked yet.

• Please ask for clarifications – if it doesn’t make sense to you, it may not to other people also!

• We are here because of a shared commitment to international librarianship – let’s focus on how best to support this!
On the agenda today

- What’s a townhall?
- Looking forward to the Information Futures Summit
- Towards charity status for IFLA
- General updates and discussion
WHAT’S A TOWNHALL?
As part of our commitment to communicating better with our Members and volunteers, a chance to keep you up to date, hear your questions and reactions, and talk about the issues that matter to you!
LOOKING FORWARD TO THE INFORMATION FUTURES SUMMIT
OPEN TO ALL!

IFLA INFORMATION FUTURES SUMMIT

STRONGER TOGETHER

REGISTER NOW!
Our inspiring speakers

From the library field
Carla Hayden | Masud Khokhar | Ng Cher Pong | Gene Tan | Kate Zwaard

From outside the library field
Jean Burgess | Damian Cardona | Paul Crosby | Michael Dezuanni | Rebecca Giblin | Daniel Hook | Marek Kowalkiewicz | Kim Osman | Ana Filipa Vrdoljak
Opportunities to engage!

A curated programme, built around opportunities to think together about the future.

A strong focus on making the connection between key trends and ideas, and what this means for libraries.

New formats for an IFLA event, as well as over 20 Ignite talks.
IFLA Trend Report 2024
Michael Dezuanni & Kim Osman
Release of the new IFLA Strategy
2024-2029

7435 Ron and Ngaire Gale collection. State Library of Queensland
Library explorer tours in Brisbane

• Explore our libraries on 3 October
• Experience the activities and environment of the local library field
What participants will bring home

• New insights about the future of information and the place of libraries in it that you can share

• Practical ideas that you can apply in your institutions and associations

• Connections with colleagues from Australia, Asia-Oceania and the world

• Refreshed energy and enthusiasm to build the future our communities need!
Stay tuned for more to come!

• Bookmark the website: 2024.ifla.org
• Follow the IFLA newsletter
• Look out for e-mails
• Share news with colleagues!
TOWARDS CHARITY STATUS FOR IFLA
A vibrant, inclusive international library field, long into the future
To do this, we need to...

- Provide great opportunities for committed volunteers to network, share and grow
- Provide a clear value-add, as the essential, trusted global membership body for libraries
- Be a recognised stakeholder internationally and an effective delivery partner on relevant projects
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= Public Benefit Institution
What this means...

• Simpler to build partnerships which can bring new support for the benefit of IFLA members, volunteers, and the communities they serve

• An amendment to the Statutes to confirm that if IFLA were to close, remaining funding would need to pass to a charity with a similar purpose

• A clarification that our role is to represent the interests of the library field as a whole
... and what this does not mean

- No changes to our decision-making process (i.e. Members’ voting rights)
- No additional reporting requirements for committees
ROADMAP

15-17 April
Governing Board discusses, approves proposed amendment

w/c 22 April
Briefing about proposed changes shared

May/June
Special sessions for Members in order to explain changes, answer questions

20 June
General Assembly, followed by formal revision (if accepted)
GENERAL UPDATES AND DISCUSSION
Celebrating successes!

- Recognition of the role of libraries in UNESCO Framework for Culture and Arts Education
- Trend Report 2023 released, bringing together the inputs of emerging leaders
- Standards Procedure Manual updated and published
- The World Through Picture Books (3rd edition) released
- Marrakesh Treaty Monitoring Report 2024 Update published
- Newsletters focused on Milestones (January), Culture and Education (February), Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (March)
On the agenda at the Governing Board

• Finalising the financial report from 2023 for the General Assembly
• IFLA’s future sustainability
• Governance and transparency
• Agree a draft IFLA Strategy for Member and volunteer input
• WLIC 2025 and IFLA100
• Updates from the Professional and Regional Councils, Management of Library Associations Section, and a dialogue with the chair of CLM
Upcoming opportunities

- **April**
  - Opening of IFLA Strategy survey
  - WLIC Review pulse survey
  - Climate action survey (associations)

- **May**
  - IFLA Strategy consultations
  - Pre-GA briefing and discussion sessions
  - Trend Report pulse survey

- **June**
  - General Assembly (Annual Report, Statutes Amendment, Honours and Awards)
  - WLIC Review consultation
  - Further Trend Report engagement