



IFLA Special Interest Group Library Publishing

IFLA Library Publishing SIG

Committee Meeting 24th October 2022

Attendees: Jane Buggle, Anne-Inger Hellekjær, Jill Claassen, Graham Stone, Devin Soper, Marie O'Neill, Lidia Uziel, Ursula Arning, Mimi Calter

Apologies: Ann Okerson, Fiona Bradley, Ekaterina Shibaeva, Grace Liu

1. Action Plan

JB submitted the Action Plan to IFLA with two main items:

- To expand the reach of the IFLA Global Library Publishing Map (following up on platform providers' data)
- To hold an open session and a satellite at the hybrid WLIC2023 in Rotterdam

The blog was mentioned under each project area.

2. Meeting with the LPC Board

JB will meet the Board of the Library Publishing Coalition on 29th November to establish how we can support one another in the coming year.

3. Discussion of Blog Interview Questions

All congratulated Devin, Anne-Inger and Ursula on their work. JC said that the focus and the impact of library publishing programmes may vary. What is the impact of the journal at institutional level/at national level. MON requested a question on impact. LU suggested a question on cross-national library publishing approaches and strategies. JC said that African scholarship has a focus on social justice initiatives. LU said that Latin America shares this approach. DS suggested question on collaborators and principles. MC proposed suggesting that interviewees do not have to answer all questions. AIH suggested an option of replying to 5. GS said that the authors who talked about their approaches to the OAPEN Book Publishing Toolkit took different approaches and answers were on varying lengths. Some text is needed to let the interviewees know that they are free to take their own approaches. The blog could be called, "Library Publishing through the IFLA global lens." JC and DS will create the first post by both replying to questions and demonstrating the Global South and Global North.

Action: JB will ask LH about blog publishing software and whether it can be posted on the Lib Pub webspace.

4. WLIC2023 Open Session and Satellite in Rotterdam

JB said that WLIC2023 will be hybrid but we do not know what IFLA's approach will be. There will be a statement on this in January 2023. LU hoped that we will get sufficient lead-in time to agree on the themes, to invite speakers, submissions, etc. MON suggested the theme of Impact for the Satellite. She has drawn up a proposal that she will share with the group. This focuses on the various impacts – young researchers, EDI issues, etc. GS included impact metrics and case studies. MON said that the output could feature in an IFLA Newsletter special issue on the impact featuring scholarly articles.

Action: AO and LU will meet to discuss the open session and satellite.

5. Platform Users – Follow-up Work



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AO has collated data from Elsevier on Digital Commons users. DS has received data from Janeway, Manifold, and PKP for OJS. The OJS list is immense. GS said that Bianca Kramer from has done some work on the OJS data and he will see if he can obtain it. DS said that CrossRef will not provide data on the basis of privacy as theirs is a membership model.

Update: GS received the data from BK but it will need to be looked at in conjunction with the PKP raw data.

6. AOB

MON met with representatives of the Library Publishing Coalition in the context of the strategic affiliation between the LPC and the Library Association of Ireland's Library Publishing Group. She expressed her concerns about the lack of visibility of library publishing on the DOAJ and DOAB. She had suggested the addition of a tick box in the DOAJ/DOAB registration form- Is this journal/eBook supported by the library? GS agreed that this would be beneficial and he said that he could contact colleagues in the DOAJ and DOAB about this. GS said that he ran library publishing through the 2021 REF data and isolated only 100 OA books, up from zero in previous years. LU said that there can be significant differences in definitions of library publishing. GS said that he is currently involved in the DIAMAS project which involves some 50 institutions that are publishing in the European Research Area (IPSP – institutional publisher or service providers). They are currently looking at the typologies in this area. UA said that Göttingen and Hamburg are also represented in DIAMAS.

Action: GS to give an update on DIAMAS as a standing item on the agenda.

The next meeting will be held in mid-December.