



IFLA Special Interest Group Library Publishing

**Minutes -- IFLA Library Publishing SIG
Coordinating Committee - Wednesday, August 26th
10:40 - 11:40 a.m.**

Attending: Fiona Bradley; Grace Liu; Kate McCready; Ann Okerson; Reggie Raju; Ekaterina Shibaeva; Heather Todd.

Regrets: Lars Egelund

I. Focus Areas. Two areas appeared to have greatest potential and resonance.

A. Documenting Library Publishing Activities by IFLA members and participants worldwide. Discussion focused around the purpose for this activity, with agreement that one of the SIG's key aims is to provide support through identifying communities of practice and helping with skills development. Another purpose is to integrate library publishing within IFLA's other library profiling activities, such as the IFLA Map of the World. There was discussion about working with the Library Publishing Coalition (LPC) so that work is not redundant but complementary -- both groups will benefit for this collaboration.

Next steps: (1) Kate will share a copy of the LPC Directory Template with the group; (2) Ann will contact IFLA HQ re. possible integration into Map of the World; (3) Three volunteers will connect to discuss process for the SIG's documenting role -- Grace Liu, Kate McCready, Ann Okerson. They will prepare a first draft of the Action Plan for this activity and share it with the larger group for comment before end of September (Action Plans are due to IFLA HQ no later than October 15th).

It was agreed that we should think of this activity as a 2-year process. Year 1 (September 2019 - August 2020) as a planning and prototyping year; Year 2 (September 2020 - August 2021) as the first full documenting year.

B. Curriculum is vital for the goal of skills development. The LPC has done extensive work on Library Publishing curricula, and all their work is freely available on their web site (<https://educopia.org/library-publishing-curriculum/>). The group asserted that identifying a key area of curriculum (of highest value to IFLA's global constituency), piloting translations into one or more of IFLA's languages, and looking to supplement with global literature in those languages (if such resources exist) will be an area of high utility and value. It may be best to start with part of one LPC module. The leads in this area will be Reggie Raju and also the LPC's Joshua Neds-Fox. Other Volunteers are sought!

Next steps: Reggie will prepare a first draft of the Action Plan for this activity and share it with the larger group for comment before the end of September.



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It was agreed that we should also think of this activity in a 2-year process and plan accordingly.

II. SIG Annual Report. Annual reports are due to IFLA HQ by October 30th.

Next steps: Ann will draft a simple report for sharing with the entire group for comment, prior to submission.

III. Midterm Meeting, Oslo, March 2020. This was discussed during the meeting, as Lars had tentatively offered to host. After WLIC, he confirmed the willingness of Oslo Met University to handle all on site and local arrangements. Lars also volunteered to serve on the Content Planning.

Next steps: (1) Lars and Ann will canvass the SIG mailing list to assure that we will have sufficient attendance (50+) to move forward; (2) Lars and Ann will call for more volunteers to develop a theme, issue a Call, etc. Much to be done before the end of the calendar year!

IV. Open Programme, Dublin, August 2020. There was a strong sentiment in the earlier SIG business meeting and here that we should again have an Open Programme for Dublin.

Next steps: Fiona, Reggie, and Ekaterina offered to form the core of this group. They should work with Heather Todd to understand the required deadlines and processes, so that our submissions are made in a timely way.

V. Adjournment. The group adjourned at 11:40 a.m. to attend the SIG's wildly successful open programme!