



Information Literacy Section
Annual Report 2014
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A. Scope

Mission

The primary purpose of the Information Literacy Section is to foster international cooperation and to promote information literacy in all types of libraries and information institutions, as well as to lead the information world in promoting information literacy as it relates to the three IFLA Pillars: Society, Membership, and the Profession.

Goals, Priorities, and Actions

1. Advocate for information literacy in society and increase partnership within IFLA and with other organizations or institutions (e.g., UNESCO).
2. Support information professionals and other relevant partners in the provision of information literacy education in different types of libraries and information institutions, for all social sectors and in all geographic areas.
3. Develop information literacy as a multi-cultural, multifaceted concept of relevance to the global society by using the collective, international experience of the Section.

B. Membership

Membership: 94 members as of December 2014:

- 60 Institutions
- 3 International associations
- 23 National associations
- 8 Personal affiliates

Standing Committee: 20 members

Corresponding members: 5 members

The following countries are represented: Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, China, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Ivory Coast, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Senegal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, United Kingdom, United States.

C. Officers

Chair (2013-2015)

Sharon Mader

Dean of Library Services

University of New Orleans

New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

First term: 2009-2013; Second term 2013-2017

Secretary (2013-2015)

Jaclyn Teo

Secretary of IFLA INFOL Section (SC Member)

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First term: 2013-2017

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University of Amsterdam; University of Pretoria

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First term: 2007-2011

Second term: 2011-2015

D. Standing Committee Meetings at WLIC 2014

Two SC meetings were held in at WLIC in Lyon (16 and 19 August, 2014). The minutes of all SC meetings are available at <http://www.ifla.org/en/information-literacy/minutes>.

E. Conference Programs WLIC 2014 Lyon

1. Session 88: Joint program with Health & Biosciences Section, Monday 18 August, 9:30-12:45, Forum 2
2. Session 191: Joint program with Education & Training Section, Wednesday 20 August, 13:45-15:45, Forum 1
3. Satellite meeting: *Facing the Future: Librarians and Information Literacy in a Changing Landscape* (14 and 15 August). Hosted by the Limerick Institute of Technology and held in Limerick, Republic of Ireland. The satellite was a great success, with over 100 participants. The program consisted of eight different topical tracks with 51 papers and presentations, five workshops, four Pecha Kucha presentations, a roundtable, and eight poster sessions. A book of conference proceedings was produced by the Limerick Institute of Technology.

F. Projects and Activities

1. A communications working group was designated to review the section website and make recommendations to improve its effectiveness as a communications platform among members and to external constituents.

2. An IFLA Media and Information Literacy Recommendations working group was organized to develop strategies for promoting awareness and use of the MIL Recommendations. As part of its support for the Lyon Declaration, the Section is discussing the development of an advocacy campaign to promote the *IFLA Media and Information Literacy Recommendations* to government officials and other stakeholders, starting with the creation of an MIL brochure.

G. Future actions: Conference programmes, events, and activities

1. WLIC Cape Town 2015
 - a. Conference programme: Theme: *From Words to Action: How You Can Put the IFLA Media and Information Literacy Recommendations into Practise – In your Community, Library, and Country*, 20 August
 - b. Satellite meeting 13-14 August jointly sponsored with IFLA School Libraries Section at the Centre for the Book, Cape Town; local co-hosts will be LIASA School Libraries and Youth Services Interest Group and The Bookery.
2. WLIC Columbus, Ohio USA, 2016 Plans are being discussed for a satellite in Chicago sponsored by the Association of College & Research Libraries of the American Library Association.