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## **ENSULIB Standing Committee Meeting (Hybrid)**

**Date:** 7 October 2024

**Venue:** Paranimf Building. Escola Industrial, C/ del Compte d'Urgell, 187, 08036, Barcelona

**Time:** 13:00-15:00

*Minutes taken by Priscilla Pun*

### **1. Welcome, Introduction, Apologies**

Chair Harri Sahavirta opened the meeting by welcoming all members of the Standing Committee (SC).

- a. Introduce the Agenda: The agenda was approved as submitted.
- b. Approval of the minutes from the BM minutes of 24 Sep 2024. Approved to upload to repository.
- c. Attendance:

**SC members present:** Sarah Foezon (France), Petra Hauke (Germany), Rossana Morriello (Italy), Rosario Toril Moreno (Spain), Torbjörn Nilsson (Sweden), Priscilla Pun (Macao), Harri Sahavirta (Finland), Merve Yavuzdemir (Turkey), Ana Zdravje (Slovenia).

**SC members present (online):** Vivienne Byrd (USA), Kristīne Dekšne (Latvia), Eva Hackenberg (Poland).

**SC members absence with apologies:** Antonia Mocatta (Australia), Amanda Delali Fie (Ghana), Janet Wagner (Germany), Vivian Puerta (Colombia), Arnold Mwanzu (Kenya), Amélie Vallotton Preisig (Switzerland), Beth Filar Williams (USA), Jessica Lewis Marshall (Jamaica), Per Eide (Norway).

**Observers:** Claire McGuire (Manager of Policy and Advocacy, IFLA), Kristina Cvek (Ljubljana City Library), Andveja Misko (Ljubljana City Library), Rok Dezman (Ljubljana City Library)

### **2. WLIC 2025 in Astana**

WLIC 2025 will be held in Astana Kazakhstan from 18-22 August. ENSULIB members should discuss with other Sections about whether they would like to collaborate on an

open session or in a satellite meeting. We would need to search for a local library as a host. Harri suggested to talk with other sections' members if they wish to do something together.

### **3. Annual Report and Action Plan Schedule**

The Action Plan is due to be updated and the annual report created by the deadline of October 31. In principle, we will continue to work with the permanent projects which are in our previous Action plan, like the award, newsletter, webinar series and GL posters. The book project and guidelines project will be completed in 2025.

### **4. Section Membership**

ENSULIB has 92 Section members as of July 2024. There is an opportunity to co-opt members of to the SC by 30 Sept. Many of the SC members are coming to the end of their 4-year term in Aug 2025, so renewal will be needed.

### **5. Events in Barcelona from 7 to 8 Oct 2024**

7<sup>th</sup> Oct Business Meeting 1-3pm

8<sup>th</sup> Oct ENSULIB Workshop – 2-4:30pm

8<sup>th</sup> Oct Green Library Awards – 5-6:30pm

### **6. Events in Brisbane**

ENSULIB collaborated on an Associated Event before the main Brisbane Summit, with the Children and Young Adults, Literacy and Reading, and School Libraries Sections. The Seminar was from Sept 28-29 and ENSULIB hosted a session on the 28th to soft launch the forthcoming book about Libraries Diving ESD. The speakers for that session included authors of the book's chapters – Petra Hauke, Mariam Bhanu and Merle Schatz via Zoom, and Helen Weston and Jacqui Lucas in person. The series editor, Janine Schmidt attended in person, together with Philip Kent, the LBES Section Chair to officially launch the book.

The main Information Futures Summit run from Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>-Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October at the Brisbane Convention Centre. There were many inspirational speakers, that focused on the future of libraries, and especially AI as a disruptive technology. Antonia Mocatta, University of Sydney, was the only ENSULIB SC member in attendance, and presented an Ignite Talk on the Monday with a colleague from the University of Queensland on a collaborative project to develop a survey aligned with the ALIA Professional Pathways Framework, to understand staff development needs.

### **7. IFLA Green Library Awards**

For the 2024 IFLA Green Library Award, ENSULIB received 44 submissions. These were assessed by 23 reviewers over 3 groups. The field of candidates was strong. The winners

will be announced in Barcelona on October 8<sup>th</sup>, and the web site to be updated with winners.

#### **8. Book Project**

The book project *Libraries Driving Education for Sustainable Development*, is progressing well. Janine Schmidt, the IFLA- De Gruyter Series Editor has been doing the final edits of the book chapters. Flyers for the book project have also been prepared and were promoted in Brisbane. The book is planned to published in Mar 2025.

Members mentioned that libraries are usually not considered as educators. We may also consider ESD in practices not just in libraries.

#### **9. Green Library Guidelines**

Work continues on the guidelines following the structure of the Prison Libraries guidelines. The Barcelona workshop will include a world café about the Guidelines.

#### **10. Newsletters**

Torbjorn will lead the December newsletter and a call for articles has been published.

#### **11. Webinars**

Linda MacMillan from National Library of Scotland shows her interest in having webinars with us.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 3pm CET.