



MINUTES - LPD/SC Meeting Athens, Greece

SC1: Saturday 24 August, 11.15-13.15, Athens College, Meeting room 108.

SC2: Monday 26 August, 10.40-13.15, Congress Center, Megaron, Business Meeting Room2.

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chair of the LPD Section, Kirsi Yläne, welcomes all standing committee members to the meeting

2. Introductions and Attendance list:

In attendance:

Kirsi Yläne (Celia Library, Finland)

Karen Keninger (NLS, USA)

Yasmine Youssef (Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Egypt)

Ingvild Aanensen (NLB, Norway)

Christian Felsmann (German Central Library for the Blind, Germany)

Irmgard Reijentes (Bibliotheekservice Passend Lezen, the Netherlands)

Hiroshi Kawamura (ATDO, Japan)

Dipendra Manocha (DAISY Consortium, India)

Saskia Boets (Flemish Library for Audiobooks and Braille, Belgium)

Milan Vasiljevic (Qatar National Library)

Lisa Wadors (Benetech, USA)

Kazuhiro Ando (National Diet Library, Japan)

Observers:

Geert Ruebens (Flemish Library for Audiobooks and Braille, Belgium)

Francisco Martinez (ONCE, Spain)

Francois Hendriks (South African Library for the Blind, South Africa)

Brad Turner (Benetech, USA)

Ariadna Matas (IFLA HQ, the Netherlands)

Laurette Uzan (Association Valentin Haüy, France)

3. Accepting the agenda / adding last minute items

The meeting accepted the agenda.

4. Minutes of Helsinki Meeting

The meeting accepted the minutes of Brussels meeting with the addition of the link of the seminar in Helsinki to the minutes of meeting of Helsinki.

5. Standing Committee Membership matters:

a. Introduction to Standing Committee for new members:



Dipendra Manocha, Lisa Wadors, Koen Krikhaar introduced themselves as new members to the committee.

b. Election of new officers:

2019 is an IFLA election year. Nominations were called for the available officer positions in the Section, i.e. Chair, Secretary for the next two years. Kirsi Ylanne from Celia Library, Finland has been nominated. The meeting accepted her nomination and confirmed her appointment as Chair unopposed.

Mike Marlin from California Braille and Talking Book library has been nominated as the new Secretary of the LPD Section, the meeting accepted his nomination and confirmed his appointment as Secretary unopposed.

Ingvild Aanensen will continue for another term as Information Officer of the section.

6. Announcements and report from the standing Committee:

Kirsi, Yasmine and Ingvild attended the officer's meeting. IFLA will start renewing the governance. And it shall be ready by June next year.

- The new IFLA website is expected by the end of this year.
- The theme of the Conference in Dublin is "Inspire, Engage, Enable, Connect..."

7. Report from Victoria Owen:

Victoria is currently representing IFLA in the ABC advisory board. And she has announced that now IFLA has a permanent seat in the board. She will also be a corresponding member of LPD representing the section in ABC.

8. A report from Ariadna Matas:

Ariadna Briefed the committee on the guidelines she's currently working on in collaboration with Virginia, LPD member, to spot trends in the Latin American countries in relation to Marrakesh treaty implementation. It is a practical guide for the region which would be very useful and currently they are working on the structure. It is a regional guide, and will include the following: regional organizations, developing a software that libraries can use for free to upload their catalogues. However, data protection is not well addressed and that's one of her concerns. It will also include how libraries manage their metadata of books and how they try to map it as well.

9. WLIC Session in Athens

The theme is "Technology as a Gateway to Inclusivity". The session will take place on Sunday 25th of August, at 13:45a.m. at Trianti hall. We have five speakers;

- Monica Halil Lövblad, Accessible Books Consortium Global Book Service
- Galina Elfimova, Data bases of Tactile and Audio Resources in the Russian State Library for the Blind



- Dipendra Manocha, Solutions for accessible book production and outreach in low resource countries
- Francisco Martínez Calvo, do you want an accessible e-book? Come back in 2025
- Karen Keninger, Jumping Accessibility Hurdles - the Promise of a Voice User Interface

10. Action Plan 2018-2019 status:

The meeting reviewed the action plan of 2018-2019 as follows:

a. Develop guidelines for library services for persons with print disabilities

Status: The project is still in progress with some delay in finishing up the first draft. Currently the working group is looking for new members to be able to continue their work. a meeting of the working group will be held after the first standing committee meeting to discuss timeline of the project. And a second face to face meeting is planned to be held in Zagreb by the end of 2020.

b. Organizing seminar and workshops to advocate for implementation of Marrakesh Treaty.

Status: LPD section participated and organized in two seminars for Marrakesh treaty advocacy. First was organized in collaboration with Celia Library in Helsinki Central Library Oodi, on March 12, 2019 on the implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty. 70 participants attended the seminar, and it was livestreamed through Celia's channel and reached 987 views: <https://www.kirjastokaista.fi/en/tag/the-marrakesh-treaty-seminar-en/> More details on the program as well as video recordings of the seminar are on the following link: <https://www.celia.fi/eng/marrakesh-treaty-action/>

LPD participated in the first international workshop aiming to operationalize the Marrakesh Treaty which took place at the Lithuanian Library for the Blind (LAB) in Vilnius, Lithuania on 26-27 September 2019.

c. Update a directory of libraries serving persons with print disabilities in co-operation with Daisy Consortium

Status: LPD has decided to collaborate with DAISY consortium which already maintains a network of libraries and other on the partner network where LPD libraries and other relevant organizations are able to share experiences and connect.

d. Produce short video stories about persons with print disabilities using library services

Status: some LPD members created short stories video and videos should be uploaded to Facebook page by October. **Action item 1**

e. Organize a WLIC 2019 satellite meeting in Alexandria, Egypt with LSN

Status: successfully completed with the local partners in Egypt. Hiroshi, chair of organizing committee gave a report below.



11. Report from LPD and LSN Satellite in Alexandria:

Hiroshi gave a report to the committee on the satellite meeting in Alexandria. The meeting was entitled; "Equitable Library Services for Everybody including Persons with Print Disabilities". It was held from the 20th to the 21st of August 2019, in Bibliotheca Alexandrina (BA), Alexandria Egypt. The meeting was a collaboration of IFLA sections with the following organizing partners: Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Arab Republic of Egypt, National Library and Archives of Egypt and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The meeting was very successful. It was attended by 75 delegates from 11 countries.

Misako also reported on the satellite, and added that the publication of the papers and presentations on the satellite meeting website and also the IFLA library. She will be sharing the link through the mailing list. The link of the satellite meeting:

<https://sites.google.com/view/ifla2019lpdlsn/>

12. WLIC Satellite meetings for the following years:

LPD section has decided not to plan any satellite conference for 2020.

13. LPD winter Meeting in The Hague:

the winter meeting for 2019 will be held in the Hague from the 23rd to the 25th of March and will be organized by Bibliotheekservice Passend Lezen and the Royal National library.

14. Mid-term meeting in 2021:

Dipendra proposed to host the LPD mid term meeting in India. The proposal was accepted by the committee.

15. Communication plan 2019-2020:

Ingvild gave an update on the communication plan of 2019-2020:

- The Facebook page has 194 followers and 182 likes the page. Increased from 165 in August 2018.
- Facebook group has 88 members. Increased from 78 in August 2018.
- Twitter has around 130 followers which has increased from 118 followers in August 2018.
- YouTube Channel: a new channel will be created to put up the short video stories.
- LPD Listserv: There are 130 subscribers to the IFLA LPD mailing list.
- It has been suggested is to end the Newsletter as it has been challenging to maintain it and is no longer as effective as other communication channels. The meeting as agreed to end the newsletter.



16. Action plan 2019-2020:

Kirsi organized a workshop in the second committee meeting to discuss the action plan focus areas that have to be linked to the IFLA strategic directions and key initiatives. This is a two-year plan. The group discussion should identify the focus areas, the tasks, timeline, who will be responsible and how to measure impact of the activities and identify any relevant sections for collaborations. The deadline for submitting the action plan is October 15th.

LPD members as well as observers joining the meeting were grouped into three groups to discuss the four focus areas. The conversation will continue through zoom meetings to finalize the action plan. **Action item 2**

Link to group discussions summary:

<https://3.basecamp.com/3833672/buckets/6568895/vaults/2430403766>

17. Theme of LPD session in Dublin:

The theme of the WLIC in Dublin is "Inspire, Engage, Enable, Connect". Theme should be submitted by November. Theme will be discussed in the next zoom meeting of LPD section.

Annex 1: Action Items

1. LPD members will submit short stories video and videos should to be uploaded to Facebook page by October. **Action item 1**
2. LPD members will continue discussion of action plan through zoom meetings **Action item 2**

Annex 2: Action items from Helsinki

1. Action Item 1: kirsi will send the link to DAISY network to LPD members. **Status: Done**
2. Action Item 2: Ingvild will put up the link of the DAISY network on the LPD page. **Status: Done**
3. Action Item 3: Ingvild will upload shot story videos sent by October to LPD Facebook page. **Status: Done**