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MESSAGE FROM IFLA PRESIDENT

Greetings to our members of Asia and Oceania!

I recently returned from visits to Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, and Australia where I had the opportunity to meet and hear from our IFLA members on various initiatives and I am delighted to be returning for the 79th IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC), taking place in Singapore from August 17 to 23.

On behalf of the IFLA Governing Board, I invite you and your colleagues to this exciting international event for the library and information services sector. The theme for the Congress, Future Libraries: Infinite Possibilities, is a fitting lead-up to the conclusion of my presidential theme of Libraries: A Force for Change. Libraries moving very quickly to adapt and respond to the changing needs of our users, and what that future may hold for all is indeed worth discussing and exploring at the conference.

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This event has always been an enriching opportunity for our members to learn, connect, network and hear from leading experts about recent trends in our profession. There is never a shortage of stimulating conversations and ideas and it is a wonderful time to cultivate professional and personal connections.

My deepest appreciation to Elaine Ng, Chair of the WLIC 2013 National Committee, and all the committee members for thoughtfully curating a programme that will be enjoyed by first-time Congress participants as well as those who are veteran conference attendees.

Together with my colleagues, our partners and members, we look forward to seeing you in Singapore for the Congress. For more information about the conference, please visit http://conference.ifla.org/ifla79.

August will also mark the end of my IFLA presidency and I will welcome Sinikka Sipila as the new incoming president. The last two years have given me a unique vantage point from which to understand how the work that we do improves society, how many of the changes happening at our local and national libraries are also shared internationally and perhaps most importantly, the resiliency of our profession as we forge new roles and continue to influence and advocate for the benefit of our user.

Dr. Ingrid Parent
IFLA President

Message From Chair, RSCAO

Dear colleagues

This is my last contribution to the Newsletter as the Chair of the Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania. Both myself and Dr Chihfeng Lin have reached the end of our second term as Chair and Secretary respectively, and our Committee will be holding an election at the next annual conference to replace us. So much has happened over the past four years and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the RSCAO members and the Regional Office for their hard work in supporting me and Chihfeng.

During my term as Chair, there has been a range of ups and downs. On the downside was the way that the 2009 World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) got moved from Brisbane, Australia to Gothenburg, Sweden, which left our colleagues in Malaysia feeling very disheartened given the major effort they had quickly put together a very strong proposal to hold the conference in Kuala Lumpur. On the upside, even though the amount of ALP funding dropped significantly several years ago, we received ALP funding for projects in Lebanon and Nepal in the Building Strong Libraries Association programme, and for a various small projects in locations such as the Occupied Palestinian Territories, Kazakhstan, Samoa, and Bangladesh.

Our Committee held its mid-term meeting this year in February in Taipei and it was a great success thanks to the hard work of Dr Chihfeng Lin who organised the event single-handedly. We were graciously hosted and ably supported by the Library Association of the Republic of China (LAROC) and the National Central Library. We had two days of hard work, followed by a half day seminar for local librarians and library science students. And we were shown some of Taipei's famous sites.

The most difficult task at the mid-term meeting was evaluating abstracts to select papers for the Asia and Oceania Open Session in the upcoming IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC). Our session theme is "Future Libraries - Multiple Futures" and we received 30 abstracts for consideration - about a third more than usual. As a result, we decided to increase the number of papers at our session from the usual five to six, though the cost is that we have had to reduce each speaker's time to present from 20 to 15 minutes. The papers this year promise to be extremely interesting - coming from China, Pakistan, the Philippines, Nepal, Timor Leste and Australia - and will focus on the remarkably diverse social, economic and geographic contexts in which library and information services operate across our vast region. Our open session is on Tuesday, August 20, from 16:00 to 18:00 in Session Room 2.

In addition to the Asia and Oceania Open Session, our Section is co-hosting an off-site all day session at the 2013 WLIC with the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section. I have been closely involved with the assessment of papers for this session - and it promises to a very fascinating day. The session theme is "Rare and special collections in the Asian or Oceanian context" and there will be both papers and posters focussing on special collections in countries such as Singapore, Lebanon, Japan, the Philippines, Georgia, China, New Zealand, and India. This session is on Monday, August 19, at the National Library of Singapore from 8:30 to 18:00.

As I mentioned above, this will be my last contribution to the Newsletter as Chair, and at the annual conference in Singapore we will elect a new Chair and Secretary to serve the Committee for the next two years. In addition, we will be welcoming several new members and saying good-bye to several members who will be retiring from our Section. I would like to particularly thank Premila Gamage who is retiring from the Committee after eight years as a member, including periods as the Chair and as the Secretary.

I also want to offer special thanks to Tan Keat Fong, who was our Regional Manager for the years that I have been Chair, and to Petrina Ang, who assisted her in providing the highest level of support for the Asia and Oceania Region. In October last year, Petrina left the Professional & International Relations Office in the National Library Board (NLB) of Singapore to take up a position in the insurance industry, and at the end of February this year Keat Fong retired to take up a more relaxing life style. I wish them both good luck in their new lives away from the bustle of the NLB. And I am confident that all of you will welcome Ian Yap as our new Regional Manager, and Janice Ow as his able assistant. While it will be difficult for them to fill the shoes of Keat Fong and Petrina, I am sure they will come very close!

And my last comment is that as I leave my role as Chair of the RSCAO, I will not be retiring! I will still continue to serve as a member of the RSCAO and I have been elected by acclamation as the Chair of Division V (The Regions). In my new role, which I will take up at the end of the upcoming conference in Singapore, I will be working closely with the Chairs of the Regional Standing Committees of Asia and Oceania, Africa, and Latin America and the Caribbean. I will also become a member of IFLA's Governing Board, and am very much looking forward to contributing to the global efforts of IFLA under the guidance of our incoming President, Sinikka Sipilä.

See you all in Singapore!

Dr. Dan Dorner
Chair
Regional Standing Committee
for Asia and Oceania

MESSAGE FROM
IFLA REGIONAL OFFICE

IFLA is an established icon for the library and information services world. It is recognised for its unparalleled history in being the global voice of the library and information profession. With its extensive reach, the Regional Offices play the crucial role of being the conduit, collaborator and connector between the IFLA Headquarters in the Hague and the regions. Being in a good position to identify and understand the needs of the region, the offices have the great responsibility in ensuring IFLA's work is best tailored and suited to these needs.

I am honoured to be able to serve in the Regional Office to carry on the important work of my predecessors. My experience with IFLA has been but a short span of five years through involvement in a Standing Committee and presentations at the IFLA Congress, but my global view of libraries has expanded in multiple folds. It is my hope that the countries in the Asia & Oceania region will continue to

pursue excellence in the library, information and knowledge arenas, and ensure that libraries become the main trusted cultural institutions for learning and acquiring knowledge. So, I encourage members to leverage on IFLA platforms and services to establish effective partnerships, better their advocacy plans and share ideas.

I hope you find the articles in this newsletter to be of inspiration and springboards for innovation. The news articles can now be also accessed at IFLA Asia & Oceania section website at *http://www.ifla.org/asia-and-oceania* so that more will benefit from the news on developments in the region. The best is yet to be!

Mr. Ian Yap
Regional Manager

HIGHLIGHTS
IN THIS ISSUE

IFLA (RSCAO) Newsletter, Jun 2013 Issue

In this issue of IFLA Newsletter, we bid farewell to Dr Dan Dorner, who completed his second term as Chair the Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania. He has made significant contributions to the Asia and Oceania Region. Lately, he was closely involved with the assessment of papers for the Asia and Oceania Open Session that will be co-hosting an off-site all day session at the 2013 WLIC with the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section. We wish him well and are glad to note that while he leaves the role as Chair of the RSCAO, he will not be retiring but will continue to serve as the Chair of Division V (The Regions). He will be working closely with the Chairs of the Regional Standing Committees of Asia and Oceania, Africa, and Latin America and the Caribbean. He will also become a member of IFLA's Governing Board.

New Manager for IFLA RSCAO

We extend a warm welcome to Ian Yap, the new Regional Manager for IFLA RSCAO. He is not new to IFLA as he has served five years through his involvement in a Standing Committee and made numerous presentations at the IFLA Congress. With his global view of libraries, we are confident he will continue to provide a high level of support to the effort of the Asia and Oceania Region. He hopes to work with members to leverage on IFLA platforms and services to establish effective partnerships and better their advocacy plans and share ideas.

This issue also feature articles on:

Welcome Message from IFLA President Ingrid Parent

She invites members to attend WLIC 2013 to learn, connect, network and hear from leading experts on recent trends in our profession and take the opportunity to cultivate professional and personal connections through stimulating conversations and ideas. She said the theme for the Congress, *Future Libraries: Infinite Possibilities*, is a fitting lead-up to the conclusion of her presidential theme of Libraries: A Force for Change where libraries are moving very quickly to adapt and respond to the changing needs of our users, and what that future may hold for all is indeed worth discussing and exploring at the conference.

OSIC – The Oceania Sport Information Centre

A repository for Oceania sport information and the official Archives of the South Pacific Games/Pacific Games and Mini Games that provides services on sport information requests and a website that features resources and Oceania sport news.

New repository of ePrints Services

A repository of contents including all WLIC 2013 papers, existing IFLA standards, and a selection of advocacy documents.

IFLA Principles for Library eLending

The market success of handheld reading devices that started in 2007 in developed countries and the nature of digital content in library collections that has expanded to incorporate trade eBooks has prompted the necessity for IFLA to develop eLending principles beyond those incorporated in the 2001 document.

Ride the Global Wave: trends affecting libraries and librarians - A Talk by IFLA President Ingrid Parent

In her talk about transiting libraries and librarians, she said *'the fast pace of changes in the world has not only affected libraries but all aspects of society. It is important that libraries participate in making changes in a balanced way on how new services can be developed to meet those changes, new times and new approaches to managing those information'.*

She also touches on the global environment, impact of libraries, trend for digital information, new roles for libraries and librarians. Read on to find out what she has to offer.

Innovation and implementation of Party Library knowledge service mode — Taking the library of Shanghai Party Institute as an example

The Party school library needs to implement changes to its knowledge service modes to meet users' diversified information arising from globalization and the dramatic increase in today's electronic information resources. Some of the innovative proposals to improve existing service modes to meet the new challenges include expansion of the mobile handheld terminal services by building on WAP platform for library services, increase use of RFID, and use of knowledge intensive services to meet the current readers' information needs.

Ms. Janice Ow
Deputy Editor

IFLA AND
LIBRARY eLENDING

Background

In 2001, the IFLA Governing Board approved *Licensing Principles* which presented "a set of basic principles that should prevail in the contractual relationship and written contracts between libraries and information providers".[1] Understandably given the state of digital publishing at the time, *Licensing Principles* focused on the negotiated provision of electronic resources (typically web based databases) through library institutions and consortia. The following key areas of concern for libraries were identified:

- Archiving and preservation of content over time
- The ability to exercise legislated copyright exceptions
- Price
- The ability to interlibrary loan
- License flexibility
- Protection of user privacy

Since the market success of handheld reading devices commencing in 2007 in developed countries, the nature of digital content in library collections has expanded to incorporate trade eBooks which has prompted the necessity for IFLA to develop eLending principles beyond those incorporated in the 2001 document.

As part of this process, the IFLA Governing Board received an *IFLA eLending Background Paper*[2] prepared by the IFLA eLending Task Force in April 2012 and a commissioned "thinkpiece", *Libraries, eLending and the Future of Public Access to Digital Content*[3] in November 2012.These documents formed the basis for discussion at an expert meeting held in The Hague at the end of November, and contributed to the creation of the principles below.

It is evident that the library distribution of downloadable trade eBooks differs fundamentally from the licensing of digital databases, typically published by scholarly publishers, addressed in the 2001 *Principles*. It is also clear that a number of the areas of concern for libraries are common for both types of digital content.

The differences for library acquisition of the two types of digital content include:

- The 2001 *Principles* assume "a willing information provider and a willing purchaser of information access" and advocate for standard license terms and conditions in a number of areas. As has been well documented, the large multi-national trade publishers take very different approaches to selling eBooks to libraries including withholding content and will not engage in collective discussions about terms and conditions due to concerns over anti-competition legislation.

- With eBooks a layer of complexity is added with interoperability restrictions for end users dictated by eReading device manufacturers/distributors (Amazon, Apple…) and interfaces and use restrictions dictated by content sellers/resellers (OverDrive, Amazon…). Imposed restrictions often do not integrate seamlessly with other library discovery services.

- While licenses for aggregated eBook collections are negotiated, when made available to libraries eBooks are often licensed on a title by title basis from publishers or through resellers and terms and conditions are non-negotiable.

- Publishers of trade eBooks most often have regional geographic rights which may constrain their ability to contractually agree to international interlibrary loan to regions where they do not hold rights.

- Consortia licensing of eBooks is actively discouraged by trade publishers and resellers.

These and other differences have prompted the IFLA Governing Board to endorse the following *IFLA Principles for Library eLending* as a complementary policy statement to the *Licensing Principles*.

[1] http://www.ifla.org/publications/ifla-licensing-principles-2001
[2] http://www.ifla.org/publications/background-paper-on-e-lending-2012
[3] http://www.ifla.org/node/7447

IFLA Principles for Library eLending

Preamble

The rise of commercial dissemination of written content in digital form has imposed a new and challenging reality for libraries, publishers, authors and readers. Evolving and escalating changes in reader expectations fuelled by technological change are threatening traditional service delivery and business models.

Libraries are confronting the new reality where in many instances they are constrained from acquiring commercially available eBooks for their collections under acceptable terms and conditions due to the rights holders' belief that they can control subsequent uses of digital works which are sold or licensed. The exhaustion of rights for digital content is an issue of increasing legal debate and uncertainty. Should the rightsholder interpretation prevail that they do control post-initial sale uses of digital content, the library's traditional mission of ensuring societal access over time to written culture will be undermined. Faced with changing reader demands and an uncertain economic future, trade publishers and authors are exploring a variety of approaches to deliver their publications to the marketplace, including withholding sales to libraries where this is believed to undermine overall sales and royalties.

The *IFLA Principles for eLending* is based on the assumption that it is necessary for libraries and publishers/authors to negotiate a range of reasonable terms and conditions for the licensing of eBooks to libraries which allows them to fulfil their mission of guaranteeing access to knowledge and information for their communities. Successful negotiations will require solutions which do not unduly jeopardize the publisher's and author's financial viability. It is not acceptable that a publisher or author can restrict a library's ability to purchase/ license otherwise commercially available eBooks for the library collection. The implementation of a library's collection development policy has to be in the library's control, and not in the control of publishers and authors.

Should publishers/authors persist in withholding the licensing or sale of eBooks to libraries, IFLA believes that publishers/authors should be required in legislation to make available eBooks to libraries under reasonable terms and conditions. In jurisdictions where there is government financial support for publishers and authors, there is an especially strong argument to be made that societal access to published works through libraries should be mandated by government.

Recognizing the widely varying technological capacity and eBook market development by country and region, it is understood that differing terms and conditions for eBook availability through libraries may be appropriate in different geographic regions but the underlying principles have international relevance.

Principles for the Licensing/ Purchase and Use of eBooks in Libraries

1. Libraries should be able to license and/or purchase all commercially available eBooks under a variety of terms and conditions dependent upon the nature of the work and the rights provided to libraries and their users such as:

   - Number of simultaneous users
   - The period of time the library has the right to make the eBook available.
   - The option of outright purchase with permanent availability[4]
   - A limit on the total number of loans permitted
   - Publication date and retail sales.[5]

2. Given a mutual respect for copyright on the part of libraries and rights holders, any eBook licensing/purchase options offered to libraries must respect copyright limitations and exceptions available to libraries and their users in legislation including if applicable:

   - The right to copy a portion of the work
   - Reformat the work for preservation purposes if it is licensed or purchased for permanent access
   - Provide an interlibrary loan copy[6]
   - Re-format a work to enable print disabled access

   Libraries should have the right to bypass a technological protection measure for the purpose of exercising any non-infringing purposes.

3. eBooks available from libraries should be usable on all commonly available eReading devices.[7]

4. Libraries and library users must be able to control the use of a user's personal information including their library digital reading choices.

5. When publishers and/or authors and/or resellers withhold library access to eBooks, national legislation should require such access under reasonable terms and conditions.[8]

These Principles were endorsed by the IFLA Governing Board in February 2013, Revised April 2013.

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[4] For long term preservation purposes, electronic files of commercially published work may be deposited with the agency or agencies specified in national legal deposit legislation.

[5] Publishers should not place an embargo on library licensing of new titles.

[6] Limits on interlibrary loan may include those mandated by national legislation and jurisprudence or negotiated limits such as the number of interlibrary loans of one title permitted annually or geographic limits on where the title is supplied when a publisher does not have the eBook market rights for the country where a requesting library is located.

[7] Usually interoperability is dictated by eReader device manufacturers/ distrbutors, and on occasion resellers, and not publishers. In some instances eReading device manufacturers/distributors also act as publishers.

[8] This requirement to ensure community access to all eBooks through libraries is clearly defensible in countries where there is government financial support for publishers and authors.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS:
BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION 2014 ACCESS TO LEARNING AWARD

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is currently soliciting applications for its 2014 Access to Learning Award (ATLA [*http://www.gatesfoundation.org/ATLA*]), which recognizes the innovative efforts of public libraries and similar institutions outside the United States to connect people to information and opportunities through free access to computers and the Internet. The award is given by Global Libraries, an initiative of the foundation's Global Development Program. The recipient of the Access to Learning Award will receive $1 million (U.S.).

Applications for the 2014 Access to Learning Award must be submitted via an online submission process no later than **September 30, 2013.**

The application form is available only in English and must be completed in English to be eligible for consideration. However, while applications must be submitted in English, the foundation does offer informational brochures in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish. You may find the brochures and additional information, including the online submission system, on the ATLA webpage [*http://www.gatesfoundation.org/ALTA*].

Background about the Access to Learning Award

Computers and the Internet are powerful tools that provide opportunities for people to improve their social and economic well-being. Worldwide, just one person in six has access to the Internet. This means that more than five billion people miss out on chances to pursue education and employment, access government services, learn about valuable health information, conduct business online, and exchange information and ideas. The Access to Learning Award encourages new, innovative ways to provide computer and Internet services to people without access, and promotes greater development of public access technology programs around the world.

The Access to Learning Award honors innovative organizations that are opening a world of online information to people in need. The foundation's Global Libraries initiative invites applications from libraries and similar organizations outside the United States that have created new ways to offer these key services:

- Free public access to computers and the Internet.
- Public training to assist users in accessing online information that can help improve their lives.
- Technology training for library staff.
- Outreach to underserved communities.

Please note:

- No U.S. organizations are eligible to apply. That includes U.S. organizations that operate in locations outside of the U.S. If a U.S. organization works through a local organization outside of the U.S., the local organization would be encouraged to apply.
- To be eligible, the applying institution must allow all members of the public to use computers and the Internet free of charge in a community space.
- The ATLA is not intended as a grant to fund proposed activities - it is a one-time recognition, or prize, for organizations that have created programs currently providing free access to computers and the Internet for the public.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Administrator at *atla@gatesfoundation.org.*

BENEFITS OF
IFLA MEMBERSHIP

Advantages of Being an IFLA Member

As an IFLA member, you will:

- Have the opportunity to contribute to the international agenda
- Share expertise for the benefit of others, and your own organisation
- Benefit from and have opportunity to participate in our advocacy at the highest international levels on behalf of all library users, globally
- Have access and contribute to professional development including standards, guidelines, and training materials
- Receive IFLA Journal quarterly
- Receive discounts on:
    - o Publications including the IFLA Publications Series published by De Gruyter
    - o Registration at our Annual Congress
- Avoid paying the 10% surcharge on IFLA vouchers

Reminder for Existing IFLA Members

Please send in your Data Protection Form if you have not already done so. The form can be downloaded at *http://www.ifla.org/en/dataprotection-policy*

The 2013 renewal invoices were sent out in January, you can request a copy of your invoice from *membership@ifla.org.*

With the IFLA World Library and Information Congress coming to the Asia and Oceania region in 2013, let's make sure we involve as many libraries from our region as possible in IFLA Membership and the Congress! Remind your colleagues that they can benefit from a lower WLIC registration fee if their institution joins as IFLA member!

For any questions, please contact *Membership@ifla.org*

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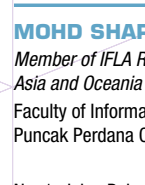
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IFLA RSCAO 2013
MID-TERM MEETING IN TAIPEI, TAIWAN, 25 – 27 FEBRUARY 2013

IFLA Section of Asia and Oceania 2013 Mid-Term Meeting in Taipei

IFLA Section of Asia and Oceania held its 2013 Mid-Term Meeting in Taipei during February 25-27, 2013. Ms. Fiona Bradely from IFLA HQ, Chair Dan Dorner, (New Zealand), Standing Committee members: Diljit Singh (Malaysia), Takashi Nagatsuka (Japan), Fawz Abadalla (Lebanon), Winston Roberts (New Zealand), Mohd Sharif (Malaysia) Jayshree Mamtora (Australia), Michael Robinson (Australia), Adviser Shawky Salem (Egypt) , representatives from Regional Officers Ms. Janice Ow and Mr. Ian Yap, and a retired librarian from Japan Dr. Nakano Shozo as an observer joined the meeting in National Central Library.

The Meeting started with welcome remarks from Dr. Shu-Hsien Tseng, President of The Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) and Director General of National Central Library (NCL). Dr. Tseng expressed the importance of international connections and the honour to host the meeting in the NCL. During the Meetings, SC Members confirmed the Minutes of the RSCAO Helsinki Meetings, attendees also listened to the report of Administrative Budget, Meeting Budget, as well as report from the Chair, the Information Coordinator, Regional Office, and Report from IFLA ALP. SC Member, Winston Roberts also updated on the progress with the National Library of New Zealand/RSCAO project on developing leadership for school library services as well as a brief comment on the ineligibility of professionals in dependent territories in the Pacific to apply for some IFLA conference grants. There was a discussion on the Review of RSCAO Strategic Plan for 2012-2013 and the issue on the Asia and Oceania Newsletter being an electronic only publication; The decision will be made according to IFLA HQ's policy. The Role of Corresponding Members and Advisors was discussed and Numbers of Corresponding Members and Advisors will be decided in the 2013 WLIC in Singapore. The Committee on Reviewing Submissions selected qualified papers and will be announced in the newsletter. The related issues of 1) Financial support for RSCAO attendance at IFLA WLIC 2014 in Lyon, France; 2) Planning date and venue of IFLA RSCAO Mid-Term Meeting, 2014; and 3) Theme for Asia and Oceania Session will be communicated by RSCAO 2014 Annual Programme Committee; and 4) A subcommittee of Call for Papers will set the timeline for Call for Papers.

Symposium on Regional Cooperation – Information Literacy".

In the Symposium, an audience of about 150 librarians, students, and LIS scholars joined together to listen to following presentations:

SC Member and Chair, Dr. Dan Dorner presented a topic entitled "A conceptual model of information literacy education: factors affecting students' learning in developing countries." He shared his current research of information literacy education in developing countries including Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

As the convener of the first International Conference on Information Literacy and Life-Long Learning in Taiwan, Professor Mei-Mei Wu shared the "Practice and Development of Information Literacy Education in Taiwan". In her presentation, the Government's efforts in promoting information literacy, including the development of digital learning materials, the deployment of the online course standards and online course accreditation as well as information literacy course as liberal Art Education in higher education was highlighted. SC Member, Dr. Takashi Nagatsuka, Professor at the Department of Library, Archival and Information Studies, Tsurumi University, Japan presented the paper "Attempts to improve Information Literacy Skills of Students by University Librarians." The presentation reported on several attempts to improve information literacy skills of students by university librarians in Japan. It also discussed how to improve information literacy skills of students in university in the future.

SC Member and Secretary of the Section as well as the local organizer of this Mid-Term Meeting, Dr. Chihfeng P. Lin and her colleague Dr. Ming-Shu Yuan shared a paper entitled "Conducting "Information Literacy" course in University Curriculum – Practices and Challenges." The presentation described the process of a study of students in the university regarding the positive and negative viewpoints of taking the course.

Shawky Salem, Adviser of the section presented "Building Digital Libraries and Interactive Education Tools." The presentation shared the concept of E-Content which is the content of writing and audio, either in traditional or electronic forms, and how E-Content covers the whole aspects of knowledge. He also expressed the development of E-Contents during the past few decades and its influences on human civilization.

SC Member, Dr. Diljit Singh presented his paper entitled "Information Literacy in the Workplace: How well prepared are our graduates?" The paper expressed that Information literacy has been defined as knowing when and why information is needed, where to find it, and how to evaluate, use and communicate it in an ethical manner and these skills have become increasingly important with the growth of information in all formats. Information literacy skills are also important in the workplace. There is a need to examine the information literacy attributes sought by employers, and the extent to which new graduates are being prepared to meet those needs. Dr. Singh shared the findings of the study and provide suggestions to institutions of higher education in better preparing their graduates for employment and for enhanced workforce productivity.

Dr. Dorner chaired the Q&A session of the Symposium and received questions from audience for presenters. He concluded that Information literacy is essential for current LIS education and for the future of the profession. The Symposium provided a platform for input of scholarly communication of issues. Section of Asia and Oceania will continue the efforts of this area.

Local organizer also prepared a visit to the renowned of National Palace Museum (NPM) for attendees of the meeting to appreciate the NPM's collections of Painting, Calligraphy, Rare Books, Documents, Ceramics, Bronzes, and Jades. A tour was conducted by a specialized instructor of exhibition. SC Members also enjoyed the well-prepared Chinese cuisines of famous restaurants in Taipei.

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HOSTING THE CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL LIBRARIES IN ASIA AND OCEANIA, KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA, 25-28 MARCH 2013

The National Library of Malaysia (NLM) hosted the 21st Meeting of Conference of Directors of National Libraries in Asia and Oceania (CDNLAO) from 25 to 28 March 2013 in the Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This is the third time NLM has hosted the CDNLAO Meeting, being host in 1992 and 2005. The CDNLAO meeting held on 26 March 2013 was attended by 32 participants from 22 member countries, namely Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, China, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Kribati, Korea, Laos, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam, and host country Malaysia.

The Meeting started with a welcome speech by Dato' Raslin Abu Bakar, Director General of National Library of Malaysia. This was followed by the introduction of the participants, approval of agenda for the 21st meeting, and minutes of the 20th meeting held in Indonesia.

Members participated actively in the CDNLAO Meeting chaired by Dato' Raslin. The meeting provided CDNLAO member countries an opportunity to reflect and share their knowledge, challenges and experiences to bring national libraries to greater heights.

The theme of the meeting "National Library as an agent of Transformation" was very appropriate in this era of globalization. Libraries have to adapt to the changing environment of information needs and new technology advances in order to stay relevant. Libraries and librarians must work together and share their expertise, skill and knowledge in order to transform their libraries to meet the user's needs.

21st MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL LIBRARIES IN ASIA & OCEANIA (CDNLAO) 2013
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There were three presentation of special subjects based on the theme of the meeting. The first presentation was made by Ms. Anne-Marie Lucienne Schwirtlich, the delegate from National Library of Australia (NLA) who spoke on "Building a New Digital Library for the National Library Of Australia". In her presentation, she gave a report on replacing NLA's existing digital library infrastructure with one that enables the Library to increase its capacity to collect digital content, digitise paper and other analogue collections, to deliver digital content online, and work towards a National Digital Library of Australia.

The second presentation by Ms. Sook Hyeun Lee, the delegate from the National Library of South Korea (NLK) was on "The National Digital Library of Korea". Her presentation covered three main aspects, namely collecting digital resources, building metadata in MODS, providing services in a digital environment and future plan for enhancing the Digital Library.

The third presentation was by Mr. Gene Tan, National Library Board Singapore, on "Libraries For Life". He touched on issues such as new library service directions, readers for life, learning communities and a knowledgeable nation.

This was followed by the presentation of country reports on key library activities from each country.

Afterwards, the National Library of New Zealand offered to host the 24th CDNLAO meeting in 2016, which was accepted by all members. The 22nd and 23rd CDNLAO meetings will be held in Australia in 2014 and in Thailand in 2015 respectively. The meeting was then officially closed by Dato' Raslin.

A welcome dinner was hosted by the National Library of Malaysia at the Saloma Theater Restaurant. The guest of honour Dato' Sri Dr Halim Shafie, Chairman of the National Library of Malaysia Advisory Board, gave the welcoming speech. The delegates and guests were entertained to cultural performances.

Seminar on Media and Information Literacy: Catalyst for Life Long Learning

The National Library of Malaysia organized a seminar on "Media and Information Literacy" with the theme "Catalyst for Life Long Learning", on 27 March 2013 at the National Library of Malaysia in conjunction with the CDNLAO Meeting. Dato' Sri Halim Shafie, Chairman of the National Library of Malaysia Advisory Board delivered the keynote address. Five CDNLAO delegates, namely Mr. Wadidul Bari Chowdhury from Department of National Archives and National Library Bangladesh, Mr. Wei Dawei from National Library of China, Ms. Merewalesi Vueti from Library Service of Fiji, Ms. Geraldine Mary Howell from National Library of New Zealand, and Dato Raslin Abu Bakar, National Library of Malaysia, were invited as speakers at the seminar. The papers can be accessed via National Library of Malaysia Portal www.pnm.gov.my. The seminar was well attended by 200 librarians from various libraries in Malaysia.

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ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT THROUGH LIBRARIES PROGRAMME (ALP) NEWS

The ALP Committee has endorsed a strategy for its work over the next three years, focusing efforts on three areas. ALP's objective is to strengthen the ability of the library and information sector to advocate for equitable access to information and resilient, sustainable library communities. We will achieve this through the following strands of IFLA ALP:

- Building the capacity of national and regional library associations (BSLA)
- Developing leaders who can effectively represent the wider library sector in the international arena, and within IFLA (IFLA International Leaders Programme)
- Evaluating the impact of our work and turning outcomes into policy, guidelines and standards for further development of the LIS sector (Advancing the Professional Agenda)

Building Strong Library Associations programme

ALP Committee has endorsed a strategy for the continuation of the BSLA programme. The programme will build on the success of the initial country projects, and include a mix of new country projects, regional activities and events by:

- Implementing projects in collaboration with regional library associations, to cascade to their member associations;

- Identifying funding or advocacy opportunities for BSLA;
- Identifying trainers from the initial country projects, who will now be trained to deliver projects in other countries;
- Identifying opportunities for networking and experience sharing, eg at the IFLA World Library and Information Congress, regional conferences, and through BSLA convenings;
- Organising workshops, training and other activities to build on activities in the regions;
- Strengthening links with the IFLA International Leaders Programme.

IFLA International Leaders Programme

Associates are continuing work in their project groups, on topics including Access to Digital Content, Regional Collaboration, and Libraries and Development. The Open Access and regional collaboration groups have completed surveys of colleagues in the regions. The Associates will meet at the IFLA Congress in Singapore this August, with a full programme of sessions and participation in the main congress programme planned.

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MY TREE HOUSE
WORLD'S 1ST
GREEN LIBRARY FOR KIDS
A NATIONAL LIBRARY BOARD AND CITY DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED COLLABORATION

"My Tree House", the World's 1st Green Library for Kids opens its doors to library visitors at the Central Public Library on 31 May 2013. The National Library Board (NLB) and City Developments Limited (CDL) jointly presented a special library that will encourage children to explore, discover and challenge their curiosity in learning and caring for the environment. "My Tree House" was opened by Dr Yaacob Ibrahim, Minister for Communications and Information on 31 May 2013.

Mrs Elaine Ng, Chief Executive Officer of NLB said, "NLB is continuously looking for new and innovative ways to create unique identities for our libraries and better serve our customers. We are happy to collaborate with CDL and its partners to create our first green library for kids. We have created this special library for children to see, read, touch and experience a magical journey into learning and caring about the environment."

Mr Kwek Leng Joo, Managing Director of CDL said, "NLB and CDL share a common vision and passion. We tapped on each other's strengths and expertise to create a completely green and innovative library conducive to ignite in young minds, a love for nature. CDL has also brought together 11 other equally like-minded collaborators who have embraced this project with fervour. Being experts in their individual fields, our partners have made invaluable contributions to bring to fruition "My Tree House" – a truly exceptional green showcase

for Singapore. As CDL celebrates our 50th Anniversary this year, we take pride as a Singapore-grown company, to be able to make a positive community contribution with sustained impact to the benefit of our nation."

"My Tree House" will serve as a resource centre in facilitating environmental literacy for children. Aptly named after the centrepiece which features a tree house structure constructed with recyclable materials, the library is designed specifically with children in mind. NLB hopes to cultivate children's interest in environmental conservation through reading, discovering, and engagement in green activities, and nurture them to be environmentally-conscious adults.

Purposefully conceptualised, constructed and operated with environmental sustainability in mind, "My Tree House" is the first library in the world to be steered by green principles in all facets from design, infrastructure and use of sustainable materials, to collection and programming. Eco-friendly building materials such as energy-efficient LED lighting, refurbished bookshelves and carpets with green properties were used. The canopy of the tree house centrepiece is built and installed with over 3,000 recycled plastic bottles collected from the public, schools and visitors to City Square Mall.

At "My Tree House", children can learn about the environment through a multi-sensory experience. They can interact with The Knowledge Tree, which is a shadow play wall, to learn

about the environment and energy conservation. Budding meteorologists can also discover Singapore's temperature, rainfall and wind speed "live" through The Weather Stump which charts real-time weather information provided by the Meteorological Service Singapore.

With the green library's collection of 45,000 books, children will have a wider variety of green themed books to borrow and read. A significant 30% of these books will focus on green topics such as animals, plants, nature, water resources, weather, environment, recycling and climate change. Fiction books including fairytales, fantasy and folklores which are related to the theme of the enchanted forest will make up the other 70% of the collection. Young users can also read green themed eBooks and play educational games through interactive and child-friendly eReading kiosks.

Children can take part in an interesting line-up of green themed programmes, for which NLB is partnering other public agencies such as the National Climate Change Secretariat,

National Environment Agency and National Parks Board. These programmes include storytelling sessions and workshops on creating games and craft-making. NLB will also be organising tailored library tours for schools for environmental education and outreach.

"Libraries are integral to our efforts to educate the public, especially the young, on the importance of sustainability in the built environment due to their pedagogical role in serving the community. As a central space for knowledge sharing, "My Tree House" is uniquely placed to educate children on the importance of sustainability. The extensive use of green materials, energy-efficient fittings and innovative teaching features were factors which garnered the project the Building Construction Industry (BCA) Green Mark Platinum Award. Indeed, the overall green concept was well conceived and executed. I am heartened by CDL and NLB's commitment to promoting sustainable development and have no doubt that "My Tree House" will inculcate in the kids and their parents alike a sense of eco-consciousness," said Dr John Keung, Chief Executive Officer of BCA.

"My Tree House" has received the BCA Green Mark Platinum Award. The award is the highest honour for green buildings in Singapore, for its unique sustainable properties. The green library is housed in the iconic National Library Building which first received the Green Mark Platinum Award in April 2005 and subsequently in March 2009. In July 2007, the NLB also won the first prize in the ASEAN Energy Efficiency Awards under the "New and Existing Building" category. In May 2007, the Building was given the Silver Award in the Universal Design Award from BCA, for its wide spaces, good lighting, accessibility and clarity in wayfinding.

INNOVATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PARTY LIBRARY KNOWLEDGE SERVICE MODE

TAKING THE LIBRARY OF SHANGHAI PARTY INSTITUTE AS AN EXAMPLE

Necessity and urgency of Party school library knowledge service

The Party school library knowledge service needs sustainable development to meet the diversified information needs of users arising from the dramatic increase in today's electronic information resources, diversified information storage carrier, network information access, information service network and globalization. The utilization rate of the traditional information services lags despite the good hardware facilities, digital resources and reading environment.

Innovation of Party school library knowledge service mode

To support innovation as the key of knowledge service mode, the suggestion is to expand the mobile handheld terminal services by building on WAP platform, SMS (Short Message Service) mobile phone short message service, mobile streaming media service, visual reference service to integrate readers' information resources retrieval, basic loan inquiries, booking bibliography, expiration reminders, renewals, new book notification, card readers, loss reporting, access to electronic resources, online reading, broadband video on demand, view video data and download of library multimedia information.

The Party school library digital information should explore new model knowledge service through technical cooperation with IT Companies like IBM, Microsoft and Google instead of building its own technology and service center. IBM company has successfully used the Imperial Palace Museum to carry out "the development of digital the Imperial Palace" project and Google Library having realized real-time connection for e-book reader.

As only the non-contact induction function of RFID tags is used, the suggestion is to explore the increase use of RFID label stock space and ultrafast tracking recognition ability to implement self-service and library management to improve work efficiency and service to readers.

The use of knowledge intensive services will address the inability of traditional information service to meet the current readers' information needs. The emphasis is on information processing for resource collection and network information to achieve value-added information.

On service content depth, special attention should be paid to knowledge acquisition, implement "orderly integration and deep knowledge mining" conduct in-depth analysis of outsourced real-time data for teaching, scientific research and policy-making purposes.

The mobile library needs to promote the implementation of multimedia reading machine project to provide readers with the latest preset daily updated information of major newspapers and magazines.

The establishment of a research library website as part of the digital library to focus on "digital" service concept will enhance readers and libraries interaction, deepen online service function, and develop other special information service.

The setting up of "my library according to his needs" webpage will allow reader to determine his webpage pattern for information on the subject, resource requirements and other customized services.

The development and construction of the characteristic database can be strengthened by enriching the content and variety of teaching and research needs of information resources, the use of various external information resources to develop data resources for teaching and research.

The mobile library system and library resources development services can carry out the digital library resource sharing programme, enhance inter-library service alliance, drive demand-driven services resources to meet the personalized needs of readers' service.

The self-service library, can further adapt modern science and technology development to self-service machine function to increase readers' self-service usage ratio. Self-help printing service system can be developed through the use of reader card scanning system for document printing and payment.

The creation of excellent library can deepen the subject librarian service to solve the core content knowledge problem through two-way communication problem solving decision-making process with students.

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THE OCEANIA SPORT INFORMATION CENTRE

The Oceania Sport Information Centre (OSIC) is jointly funded by the International Olympic Committee's Olympic Solidarity Programme and the University of the South Pacific. Located at the University's Library in Suva, Fiji, OSIC collects, manages and disseminates information about Oceania sport and physical recreation. It is staffed by a Coordinator and an Assistant who are also Library employees; the Coordinator is a professional librarian, and the Assistant is a paraprofessional.

OSIC is a repository for Oceania sport information and the official Archives of the South Pacific Games/Pacific Games and Mini Games. Constituents include the National Olympic Committees of 15 island nations; Oceania's sport organisations, officials, managers, service providers; participants and school and community programmes; University personnel; researchers and others.

Services include answering sport information requests and a website at *http://www.oceaniasport.com/osic/* that features resources and Oceania sport news. The Current Awareness email service announces newly acquired books and issues of journals with links to their online Tables of Contents; requests for copies of chapters or articles are fulfilled within Fiji copyright limitations. This service can be requested from *osic@usp.ac.fj.*

The "OSIC Collection" resources are purchased and owned by the Library with numerous titles acquired annually upon recommendation of the OSIC Coordinator; they can be identified in the Library's online Catalogue at *http://www. library.usp.ac.fj/*. The Library subscribes to sport serials and useful online databases, including SPORTDiscus with Full Text, which enhance OSIC's ability to respond to information requests.

OSIC's closed stacks resources are used by staff to respond to information requests. They include serials related to Oceania and the Olympics and other resources focusing on Coaching/Administration, Disability Sport, Education, Facilities/Green, Health, Non-Oceania Games, Oceania Games, Olympic Games/International Olympic Committee, Recreation, South Pacific Games/Mini Games; Sport Organizations, and Sports (individual).

The Oceania Sport Information Centre welcomes all relevant enquiries at *osic@usp.ac.fj.*

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RIDE THE GLOBAL WAVE:
TRENDS AFFECTING LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Dr. Ingrid Parent, IFLA President gave a talk on 'Ride the Global Wave: trends affecting libraries and librarians' on 28 Mar 2013 at the National Library Board, Singapore.

In her talk about Transiting libraries and librarians, she said *'the fast pace of changes in the world has not only affected libraries but all aspects of society. It is important that libraries participate in making changes in a balanced way on how new services can be developed to meet those changes, new times and new approaches to managing those information'.*

On **global environment**, she said the economic downturn of the past few years has hit many countries hard and libraries in many countries are facing difficulties. A major driver of political and economic growth is the rise in knowledge society where economies depend on the ability of citizen to innovate and produce knowledge. She felt that libraries have a role to play in promoting and developing an informed educated citizen.

On **Impact of Libraries**, she said technological changes, the rapid evolution of information and communication technologies have affected changes. People in both developing and developed countries are increasingly using laptops and handphones to access data and information. This affects how people interact with each other and governments. Power is now shifted to the individuals from institutions and individuals rather than institutions as keepers of information and knowledge.

She said, *'Users now want 24/7 access to information that libraries have. The challenge is for libraries to promote their services and what they can offer to people with regard to searching for information'.* She suggested that libraries compete with Google, Yahoo and Wikipedia search engines to get users to start their information searches using library catalogue instead. Users are looking for convenience on finding information. Libraries need to offer services to users in a way that they would like to see them.

On the trend for digital information, she was of the view that *'the hybrid situation is still that of dealing with print and users still want the print but the challenge is to deal with the new users who want access from their homes and their offices with digital library resources'.* Libraries face a big challenge to maintain and serve both sides of that hybrid situation. Researchers are incorporating computer-based methods of undertaking different ways of doing research. Universities are increasingly offering free online courses. As such, libraries need to understand how computing publishing or online networking does researches. They also support lifelong learning in terms of library information, customisation of spaces and services. As

users will get more than 90% of information from sources not directly from the library, the challenge is for libraries to provide the access point to information and books.

New Roles for Libraries and Librarians

On the new roles for libraries and librarians, she advocated a need to change the perceptions that Librarians are really just looking after shelved books and the notion that library is just a building, a set of rooms containing a collection of books. She thinks libraries are meeting the changing needs of society and people will have different perceptions of what the library can do for them. Libraries have a role to play in the creation of communities, building knowledge of wealth and society. Libraries need to be more aggressive in how we confront these challenges, its competitors and partners. They have to take the lead in these situations or risk becoming irrelevant.

She offered three very important trends, namely Outreach, Innovative, and Collaborations to adapt and respond to some of these changing needs. Libraries need to take services to the various communities by reaching out to users through *outreach* programmes instead of waiting for them to use the library.

Physical library space can be used in different ways in responding to a huge shift in attitude in the people coming to the library. There is a growing world trend for libraries to be *innovative* in providing different spaces for users' interactions.

She also sees a trend towards *collaboration* as the digital world now allows much more collaboration in the way collaborative activities and programmes are shared both nationally and internationally. She cited digitization project as one great example of partnership countries cooperate to improve services to users. The future of libraries depends on how they collaborate and work with together at not only the national level, but also at the international level.

Values

She said *'The one word that I want to leave you with is "values". Libraries and Librarians have values and I don't think that will ever change; the value of free access to information. The values about trust can develop the collaboration and sharing of our expertise and resources. We have done this for decades and hundreds of years and that will not change. We have those values and we hope that that is what people will respect us for'.*

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THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG VISITS MYANMAR

A contingent of staff from the University of Hong Kong (HKU) visited Burma in November 2012 to strengthen ties with educational institutions. Among the University of Hong Kong staff was Peter Sidorko, University Librarian, who was bearing a donation of 5,700 volumes of new and used books for the University of Yangon. At a ceremony to mark the occasion on November 19, senior administrators, faculty, and librarians from the University of Yangon Library, as well as the Universities Central Library, were in attendance where discussions focussed on challenges and possible areas of collaboration.

A second part of the trip was to formally present to Burma's pro-democracy leader and Nobel Peace laureate, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, her Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws honoris causa, which had been conferred upon her by the University earlier in the year in absentia. Daw Suu received the HKU delegation on November 20, in a ceremony held at her home, the Rose Cottage, in Nay Pyi Taw, capital of Burma. At the ceremony, she was also appointed Honorary Professor in the University's Faculty of Social Sciences as well as the first Honorary Advisor of the HKU Service100 global service-learning programme. For photos and more details visit *http://www.hku.hk/press/news_detail_8859.html*.

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UPDATES FROM THE FIJI ISLANDS

Fiji National University now offers Library courses

The Fiji National University offers Library courses from Trimester 1, 2013. The programs are offered at the following levels:

- Higher Education Certificate in Library and Information Systems

- Higher Education Diploma in Library and Information Systems

- Bachelor of Library and Information Systems (BLIS)

The courses are taught by local and expatriate senior Library staff with a wide range of skills and experiences.

For more information, please log on to the following URL: *http://www.fnu.ac.fj/newsite/library/index.php/lis-programme.*

Fiji Library Association (FLA) : 2013 Executive Council

The new 2013 FLA Executive Council comprised the following persons:

Ms Sokoveti Tuimoala
President

Mr. Sonny V. Chandra
Vice President

Mrs. Margaret Keni
Secretary

Mr. John Dyer
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Achievement

Ms. Sushila Lal, a Senior Librarian at the Fiji National University graduated with a Master of Information Management from Curtin University, Australia. Ms. Lal also teaches Library courses at the university.

Fiji Business Excellence Awards Evaluator Training

Mr. Sonny Vikash Chandra, Chief Librarian of Fiji National University attended a four day Business Excellence Evaluator Training at the Holiday Inn, Suva. The training was provided by the National Training and Productivity Centre.

The Fiji Business Excellence Awards is a set of prestigious national awards designed to improve Productivity and Quality in organizations. Business Excellence is about strengthening the management systems and processes of an organization in a holistic and integrated manner to improve performance, increase productivity and growth, and, create value for stakeholders.

The course convener was Mr. Haneek Singh from Singapore. - Harnek Singh, Vice President & Director, Singapore Technologies Engineering Ltd.

Mr. Sonny Vikash Chandra
Vice President
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LIBRARY EVENTS 2013

FROM JULY TO DECEMBER 2013

September

10th International Conference on Preservation of Digital Objects (iPRES 2013)

Organiser: iPRES 2013 Committee
Date: 2 – 5 September 2013
Venue: Lisbon, Portugal
Link: *http://ipres2013.ist.utl.pt/index.html*

International Conference of Dublin Core and Metadata Applications

Organiser: Dublin Core Metadata Initiative
Date: 2 – 6 September 2013
Venue: Lisbon, Portugal
Link: *http://dcevents.dublincore.org/index.php/IntConf/dc-2013/*

IMCW2013: The 4th International Symposium on Information Management in a Changing World

Organiser: Hacettepe University
Date: 4 – 6 September 2013
Venue: Limerick, Ireland
Contact: *imcw@bilgiyonetimi.net*
Link: *http://imcw2013.bilgiyonetimi.net/*

Moscow International Book Fair

Organiser: General Directorate of International Book Exhibitions and Fairs
Date: 4 – 9 September 2013
Venue: Moscow, Russia
Link: *http://www.mibf.ru/eng/index.php*

3rd International Conference on Integrated Information (IC-ININFO 2013)

Organiser: IC-ININFO 2013 Organizing Committee
Date: 5 – 9 September 2013
Venue: Prague, Czech Republic
Link: *http://www.icininfo.net/*

The 8th International Workshop on Vocabularies, Ontologies and Rules for the Enterprise and Beyond (VORTE 2013)

Organiser: VORTE 2013 Organizing Committee
Date: 9 – 13 September, 2013
Venue: Vancouver, BC
Link: *http://planet-sl.org/vorte2013/index.php?option =com_content&view=article&id=273&lang=en*

The 17th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries (TPDL)

Organiser: University of Malta
Date: 22 – 26 September 2013
Venue: Valletta, Malta
Contact: *tpdl2013@gmail.com*
Link: *http://www.tpdl2013.info/*

16th International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD 2013)

Organiser: The University of Hong Kong Libraries
Date: 23 – 26 September 2013
Venue: Hong Kong
Link: *http://lib.hku.hk/etd2013/about.html*

The Eleventh International Conference on Books and Publishing

Organiser: Universität Regensburg Universitätsbibliothek
Date: 26 – 27 September 2013
Venue: Regensburg, Germany
Link: *http://booksandpublishing.com/the-conference*

October

SETIT 2013: 7th International Conference on Sciences of Electronics, Technologies of Information and Telecommunications

Organiser: SETIT 2013 Organising Committee
Date: 11 – 13 October 2013
Venue: Chongquin, China
Link: *http://www.wikicfp.com/cfp/servlet/event.show cfp?eventid=25615copyownerid=2*

13th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply Conference 2013 (ILDS 2013)

Organiser: ILDS 2013 Organizing Committee
Date: 16 – 18 October 2013
Venue: Beijing, China
Link: *http://ilds2013.calis.edu.cn/*

Library 2.013 Worldwide Virtual Conference

Organiser: San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science
Date: 18 – 19 October 2013
Venue: Online
Link: *http://www.library20.com/2013*

LIANZA 2013 Conference: Wai-Ora, Wai-Māori, Waikato.

Organiser: LIANZA 2013 Conference Committee
Date: 20 – 23 October 2013
Venue: Hamilton, New Zealand
Contact: Wendy Boyce *wendy@conference.co.nz*
Link: *http://www.lianza.org.nz/news-events/ conferences/lianza-conference-2013*

European Conference on Information Literacy (ECIL 2013)

Organiser: Hacettepe University Department of Information Management and Zagreb University Department of Information and Communication Sciences
Date: 22 – 25 October 2013
Venue: Istanbul, Turkey
Link: *http://www.arber.com.tr/ecil2013.org/ index.php/home*

Internet Librarian 2013

Organiser: Internet Librarian 2013 Organizing Committee
Date: 28 – 30 October 2013
Venue: Monterey, California
Link: *http://www.infotoday.com/il2013/*

15th Library Fair and Forum

Organiser: Japan Culture Corporation
Date: 29 – 31 October 2013
Venue: Yokohama, Japan
Link: *http://2013.libraryfair.jp/*

November

7th International Development Informatics Association (IDIA) Conference

Organiser:	International Development Informatics Association (IDIA)
Date:	1 – 3 November 2013
Venue:	Bangkok, Thailand
Link:	*http://www.developmentinformatics.org/index.html*

International Conference on Transition to Knowledge-Based Econony: Multi-Disciplinary Thinking and Best Practices

Organiser:	Qatar University College of Business and Economics
Date:	2 – 4 November 2013
Venue:	Doha, Qatar
Contact:	Dr. Khaled Alshare
	College of Business
	Qatar University
	PO Box 2713
	Doha, Qatar
Tel:	974-4403-5073 or 5013
Email:	*cbe-conf@qu.edu.qa*
Link:	*http://www.qu.edu.qa/CBEconference/*

International Congress on Interdisciplinary Business and Social Science 2013 (ICIBSoS 2013)

Organiser:	JIBES School of Informatics Management and Computing,
Date:	4 – 5 November 2013
Venue:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Contact:	*icibsosconf@gmail.com*
Link:	*http://icibsos.org/*

International Conference on Digital Libraries (ICDL 2013): "Vision 2020: Looking back 10 years and forging new frontiers"

Organiser:	Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
Date:	27 – 29 November 2013
Venue:	New Delhi, India
Contact:	ICDL 2013 Secretariat
	The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
	India Habitat Centre Complex, Lodhi Road,
	New Delhi-110003, India
Tel:	+91 11 24682100 or 41504900, 24644654 (Direct)
Fax:	24682144
Email:	*ICDL2013@teri.res.in*
Link:	*http://www.teriin.org/events/icdl/*

December

15th International Conference on Information Integration and Web-based Applications & Service (iiWAS 2013)

Organiser:	International Organization for Information Integration and Web-based Application & Services
Date:	2 – 4 December 2013
Venue:	Vienna, Austria
Contact:	Ismail Khalil
Email:	*ismail@iiwas.org*
Website:	*http://www.iiwas.org/ismail*
Link:	*http://www.iiwas.org/conferences/iiwas2013*

15th International Conference on Asia-Pacific Digital Libraries (ICADL)

Organiser:	International School of Information Management
Date:	9 – 11 December 2013
Venue:	Bangalore, India
Link:	*http://www.icadl2013.org.in/*

The 8th International Conference for Internet Technology and Secured Transaction (ICITST- 2013)

Organiser:	IEEE UK/RI Computer Chapter
Date:	9 – 12 December 2013
Venue:	London, UK
Contact:	*info@icitst.org*
Link:	*http://www.icitst.org/*

9th International Conference on Advanced Data Mining and Applications (ADMA 2013)

Organisers:	Zhejiang University, Advanced Computing and System Laboratory, Zhejiang University, Springer and University of Technology, Sydney
Date:	14 – 16 December 2013
Venue:	Hangzhou, China
Contact:	Zengbin, *contact@adma2013.org*
Link:	*http://www.adma2013.org/*

7th International Conference on Software, Knowledge, Information Management and Applications (SKIMA 2013)

Organiser:	SKIMA 2013 Organizing Committee
Date:	18 – 20 December 2013
Venue:	Chiang Mai, Thailand
Contact:	Napaporn Reeveerakul College of Arts, Media and Technology Chiang Mai University, Thailand
Email:	*skima2013@gmail.com*
Link:	*http://www.camt.cmu.ac.th/skima2013/*

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