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Fast facts about IFLA

*International NGO based in
The Hague,
Netherlands*

*Member Based
1396 members
137 countries*

Founded in 1927

*3 Regional Offices
Africa
Pretoria, South Africa*

*Asia & Oceania
Singapore*

*Latin America & Caribbean
Coyoacán, Mexico D.F.*

*4 Language Centres
Arabic (Egypt)
French for Africa (Senegal)
Russian
Chinese*

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Strong libraries, strong societies

Throughout 2014, IFLA has worked on many initiatives and activities for Strong Libraries, Strong Societies, my Presidential theme.

A major focus for the year was to promote the IFLA Trend Report and make it available in as many languages as possible, following its launch at IFLA WLIC 2013, in Singapore. The Report was discussed in many fora throughout the year. For instance, I spoke about the Report in Russia, Norway, Greece, China, Switzerland and Slovakia and encouraged library and information professionals to engage in discussions on the transformation of libraries necessary to secure their future. IFLA has been gathering feedback from the discussions to update the Report in the future.



In May 2014, I hosted my first President's Meeting, held in Helsinki to support my Presidential theme of Strong Libraries, Strong Societies. The Meeting focused on the impact of libraries in society. It exceeded my expectations by far, with 165 participants from 27 countries. With many distinguished speakers from all over the world, the President's Meeting remains one of the highlights of my Presidency. There was also a preconference for decision makers and library professionals, with 29 participants from 11 countries under the theme Libraries – a firm foundation for an evolving society. Both events were great opportunities to discuss the role of libraries in society, the impact of libraries, and libraries and development.

2014 marked two major anniversaries; both took place in the Russian Federation. In January, I attended the celebrations of the National Library of Russia to mark its 200th Anniversary, in St Petersburg. In November, I took part in the 300th Anniversary of the Russian Academy of Sciences Library, also in St Petersburg.

The World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) in Lyon in August was very successful, with an interesting professional programme that attracted nearly 4000 participants. One of the highlights was the launch of the Lyon Declaration on Access to Information and Development, which aims to influence the United Nations Post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In October, IFLA launched an advocacy toolkit to support library associations and institutions. Its aim was to advocate for the inclusion of access to information in the United Nations Post-2015 Development Agenda in collaboration with other civil society organisations.

The IFLA International Leaders' Programme ran in 2012-2014, concluding at the Lyon WLIC. It has proved an important programme for IFLA to strengthen advocacy skills at a regional and international level. All the Associates have found it invaluable in advancing their knowledge and skills to advocate for libraries.

I was privileged to attend the inauguration of the National Library of Latvia in August, in Riga. It was a remarkable achievement, after 25 years' planning that took place during the lifetime of several governments and significant political change. The building itself reflects Latvian culture and history in many ways, not least the form of the building, which is inspired by a folktale of an iceberg.

I thank all our members and partners for contributing to another successful year. I would also like to extend my thanks to the Governing Board and Secretary General, Jennefer Nicholson, and the IFLA Staff, for your dedicated work for the good of IFLA. And we could not reach our goals without the contributions of our IFLA Officers and Committee Members, to whom I also extend my sincere thanks.

I am privileged to present to you the 2014 Annual Report, on behalf of all who have contributed so much to the work of IFLA.

Sinikka Sipilä, President 2013-2015

Aims

IFLA is an independent, international, non-governmental, not-for-profit organization.

Our aims are to:

Promote high standards of provision and delivery of library and information services

Encourage widespread understanding of the value of good library & information services

Represent the interests of our members throughout the world.

Core Values

In pursuing these aims IFLA embraces the following core values:

1. the endorsement of the principles of freedom of access to information, ideas and works of imagination and freedom of expression embodied in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
2. the belief that people, communities and organizations need universal and equitable access to information, ideas and works of imagination for their social, educational, cultural, democratic and economic well-being
3. the conviction that delivery of high quality library and information services helps guarantee that access
4. the commitment to enable all Members of the Federation to engage in, and benefit from, its activities without regard to citizenship, disability, ethnic origin, gender, geographical location, language, political philosophy, race or religion.



Front row (L to R): G. Leitner, N. L. Choh, M.C. Torras i Calvo, C. Chu, L. Rudasill, S. Sipilä, D. Scheeder, L. Garcia-Febo, E. Ndeshi Namhila, G. Pérez-Salmerón
Back row: G. Clavel-Merrin, I. Lundén, F. Blin, K. Skov Andreasen, D. Dorner, I. Bon, R. Lynch, B. Lison, A. McDonald

Governing Board 2013-2015

- Sinikka Sipilä**, Finland (President)
Donna Scheeder, United States of America (President-Elect)
Frédéric Blin, France (Treasurer)
Lynne M. Rudasill, United States of America (Chair, Professional Committee)
Kent Skov Andreasen, Denmark
Ingrid Bon, Netherlands
Genevieve Clavel-Merrin, Switzerland
Ngian Lek Choh, Singapore
Loida Garcia-Febo, United States of America
Barbara Lison, Germany
Inga Lundén, Sweden
Ellen Ndeshi Namhila, Namibia
Glòria Pérez-Salmerón, Spain
Andrew McDonald, United Kingdom (Chair, Division I)
Russell Lynch, United States of America (Chair, Division II)
Maria-Carme Torras i Calvo, Norway (Chair, Division III)
Clara Chu, United States of America (Chair, Division IV)
Dan Dorner, New Zealand (Chair, Division V)
Gerald Leitner, Austria (Chair, MLAS)
Jennefer Nicholson, IFLA Secretary General (member ex-officio)

In December, the Governing Board commenced work on the development of the 2016 – 2021 Strategic Plan. The impacts of our Trend Report, launched at WLIC 2013, and the Lyon Declaration on Access to Information for Development, together with the success of our 2010–2015 Plan, have been strong influences in shaping this new Plan. The 2016–2021 Plan will focus on strategies for inspiring societies, by driving access to information, knowledge and culture for all, in support of development, learning, creativity and innovation.

Our Strategic Plan 2010-15 focuses on strengthening the library and information field and positioning libraries as a force for change. Our four Key Initiatives for 2013 – 2014 outline our strategic priorities. These are led by the Board and carried out through our professional programmes, projects, and in collaboration with partner organisations and experts.

Key Initiative 1: Driving Access to Content and Digital Resources for informed library users and communities.

Working collaboratively to build the legal, technical and professional base that enables libraries to play a major role in collecting, preserving and offering access to all types of physical and digital material

Anticipating trends in the information environment

The Trend Report (2013) continued to stimulate IFLA's membership discussions about the future of libraries and library and information services in the emerging digital information environment. Following the launch of the Trend Report, the Insights document has been translated into 14 languages. Workshops and Trends discussions have been led by members on every continent – for example in March, the Latin America and Caribbean Section (LAC) held a workshop focusing on key themes, such as new technologies, e-learning, privacy and data protection. In addition to the physical meeting, the event attracted over 100 virtual followers from across the region and beyond. Elsewhere, concepts from the Trend Report have been integrated into government and organisational cultural and information policy, and library sector 'Futures' reports.

Professional best practice

For 50 years, IFLA has published standards, professional reports and guidelines across all fields of library and information services. In 2014, a new website was launched to provide a rich and expanding resource for the global library community.

Intellectual property - advocating for libraries and archives through the WIPO process

IFLA continued to work to improve the copyright landscape for libraries and archives through its engagement at the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), where we are seen as a key stakeholder in international copyright activities. We were disappointed in July at the meeting of WIPO's Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) when Member States were unable to reach common ground on a range of IP issues relevant to libraries. Particularly frustrated by the stance taken by the developed countries and the European Union (EU), IFLA organised a joint letter, signed by more than 100 library, archive and research institutions, asking the EU to engage more constructively at WIPO on copyright exceptions for libraries and archives. The final meeting of the SCCR, which took place in December, was more productive as members were able to engage in more detailed discussions on library-related issues, following the presentation of an updated version of a 2008 Study on Copyright Limitations and Exceptions for Libraries and Archives by Professor Kenneth Crews.

Monitoring developments in eLending

In July, we issued an update to the eLending Background Paper to reflect recent developments, which included definitions of eBook and eLending, recent trends in eBooks publishing and distribution, library advocacy with publishers and governments, and relevant court rulings on how libraries can acquire and make available eLending.

Partnering on text and data mining, data sharing and digital preservation

In August, we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with LIBER (Association of European Research Libraries), agreeing to work together in areas of common interest, such as frameworks for text and data mining, sharing research data, access to content and digital preservation. IFLA was a signatory to LIBER's open letter to publishers Elsevier, calling on them to withdraw their policy on text and data mining.

A clear stance on communications surveillance

As a signatory to the International Principles on the Application of Human Rights to Communications Surveillance, IFLA is committed to supporting clear guidelines on government surveillance and human rights. IFLA brought the library perspective to discussions on surveillance at regional Internet Governance Forums in Asia-Pacific, Africa and Latin America during the year, as well as the main Internet Governance Forum in Istanbul in September.

Key Initiative 2 – International Librarianship Leadership Development Programme

Capacity building to raise the voice of the profession – nationally, regionally and internationally

The Action for Development in Libraries Programme (ALP) achieved significant success in Key Initiative activities.

Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA)

More than 35 library associations participated in three regional convenings for BSLA, held in Ghana, Indonesia and Brazil between February and March 2014. At the convenings, associations developed their skills in strategic planning, advocacy and evaluating member services. They drafted development proposals to present to their boards and members for discussion and endorsement. A number of these proposals have already been supported by BSLA for implementation during 2014 and 2015. These include projects in El Salvador, Colombia, Zimbabwe and Uganda.

Developing leaders

The first cohort of the IFLA International Leaders' Programme completed their 2-year programme during the WLIC 2014 in Lyon. Over the 2 years, Associates worked on five projects closely linked to the Key Initiatives, including development, regional collaboration, eLending, copyright and open access, with the outputs available to all IFLA members through the website. The cohort utilised their new knowledge and advocacy skills by meeting with officials, making presentations, and working with relevant groups. The evaluation of the programme demonstrated that Associates increased their confidence, gained networking and collaboration experience, and strengthened their policy and advocacy skills to represent IFLA nationally and internationally.

Key Initiative 3 – Outreach Programme for Advocacy and Advancement of the Library and Information Sector

Advocating for members and library users

Positioning libraries in the international development agenda

IFLA's objective is to ensure that the new UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) recognise the importance of access to information for development, and that libraries are able to play a key role in implementing the goals. The SDGs will succeed the Millennium Development Goals.

Throughout 2014, we were active in meetings of the UN Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, advocating for goals and targets in relation to access to information, ICTs and the role of culture in development. We were pleased that other stakeholders, including the private sector, government and civil society organisations, welcomed the involvement of libraries in the process.

To underpin our development advocacy work, IFLA released a major call for action, the Lyon Declaration on Access to Information and Development, urging UN Member States to commit to ensuring that citizens have access to and can understand, use and share information, as a vital ingredient for sustainable development and democratic societies. We also launched an advocacy toolkit, with background and practical advice for libraries, associations and other civil organisations. By the end of the year, over 500 organisations had signed the Lyon Declaration. IFLA was also a signatory to the Declaration for the Inclusion of Culture in the Sustainable Development Goals. In September, to coincide with International Right to Know Day, IFLA signed a joint statement urging the UN Secretary General to highlight the importance of the right to information, free media and the protection of civil society organisations to organise and engage.

The success of our advocacy campaign was reflected in the final Open Working Group Outcome Document on the Sustainable Development Goals, issued in July. We were pleased that a target on increasing public access to information was included in Goal 16 and the presence of culture in other Goals. In December, we responded to the UN Secretary General's subsequent Synthesis Report by welcoming its content and encouraging further recognition of access and skills in the SDGs, despite our disappointment at the report's lack of substance on ICTs.

In June, IFLA participated in the World Summit for the Information Society (WSIS) High Level Event in Geneva, Switzerland, hosting a workshop to highlight inequalities in access to ICTs and the impact on society. In October, the World Bank invited IFLA to speak on the Role of Libraries in Access to Information Development as part of its Transparency and Information Management Open Discussion Forum.

Key Initiative 4: Cultural Heritage

Culture is a basic need. A community thrives through its cultural heritage; it dies without it.

Cooperation with UNESCO

Throughout 2014, IFLA continued to work closely with UNESCO in several areas. IFLA remained actively involved in the UNESCO PERSIST project, with the aim of finding policy solutions for long-term sustainable digital preservation. IFLA leads the content task force in this project and will work on drafting Guidelines for the selection of digital content for long-term preservation.

IFLA supported the UNESCO Action Plans for Iraq and Syria, helping to gather information about the situation of documentary cultural heritage in areas of conflict or natural disaster. We began work on creating a Risk Register for documentary heritage, which will support this process.

IFLA was also involved in the drafting process for the Memory of the World UNESCO Recommendation concerning the preservation of, and access to, documentary heritage, including digital forms. The final version is expected in November 2015.

Connecting culture and development

As a signatory to the Declaration for the Inclusion of Culture in the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals in May 2014, IFLA has actively engaged with the coalition of main stakeholders advocating the issue at UN level. As part of this initiative, former IFLA President Ellen Tise attended the third UNESCO World Forum on Culture and the Cultural Industries, which focuses on the role of culture and the cultural industries in promoting sustainable development. IFLA remains active in stressing the importance of culture and safeguarding cultural and natural heritage within the context of the post-2015 Development Agenda.

Striving for the protection of cultural heritage

Throughout the year, we represented libraries in protecting cultural heritage through our membership on the International Committee of the Blue Shield, comprising representatives of four NGOs from libraries (IFLA), museums (ICOM), monuments and sites (ICOMOS), and archives (ICA). Blue Shield's mission is to work to protect the world's cultural heritage threatened by armed conflict, natural and human-made disasters. In 2014, Blue Shield released statements expressing deep concern about the risk to cultural heritage, cultural institutions and the people who care for them in Ukraine, Iraq and Syria.

Jennefer Nicholson, *Secretary General*

Part 1 – Professional Programme Highlights

Professional Committee

The Professional Committee oversees the professional programme of IFLA, including the IFLA World Library and Information Congress professional programme, publications and the professional units of IFLA.

Over the course of the year, the Committee on Standards developed its relationship with the Professional Committee, offering support and input to improve decision-making in relation to the creation, support and review of IFLA standards.

The Professional Committee supported a range of innovative projects in the professional units, including the development of standards in bibliographic data, excellence in information services and open access, supported by activities such as workshops and training, and outputs such as reports and publications.

Action for Development through Libraries Programme (ALP)

Building Better Library Communities

The ALP Programme works with developing and emerging countries to deliver community-led change through training programmes, online learning activities and access to IFLA's international network. Its current programmes are:

- Building Strong Library Associations Programme (BSLA): increasing the capacity of national and regional library associations
- IFLA International Leaders Programme: developing leaders who can effectively represent the library sector
- International Advocacy Programme (IAP)
- Post-2015 Development Agenda: advocating for the role of access to information and libraries

Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA)

IFLA's comprehensive capacity-building programme for library associations, consisting of training and learning materials, mentoring and advice and cross-association activities was expanded in 2014, with meetings at the regional level in Africa, Asia-Oceania and Latin America and the Caribbean. They were organised in collaboration with IFLA's Regional Offices and institutions including the Ghana Library Association and KNUST University Library, the National Library of Indonesia, and Federação Brasileira de Associações de Bibliotecários, Cientistas da Informação e Instituições (FEBAB). Participating associations submitted project proposals following the meetings, for implementation in 2014-5, the first of which in 2014 included projects in El Salvador, Colombia, and Zimbabwe. To date, the programme has now reached some 60 countries through country projects, meetings, and other capacity-building activities.



BSLA convening in Kumasi, Ghana (February)

In the Africa region, 16 national associations, regional associations and AfLIA (African Library and Information Associations and Institutions) participated in the regional meeting in Kumasi, Ghana and set goals on strengthening their membership, representation, partnerships and profile over the coming years.

The Asia and Oceania meeting in Jakarta, Indonesia included 13 national and regional associations. Reflecting the objectives and priorities in the region, the meeting focused on skills for the future of the library profession, and educational standards. The convening also introduced workshops on building partnerships and the role of libraries in society, planning, and advocacy.

In Latin America and the Caribbean, 8 associations met in São Paulo, Brazil to explore the needs of libraries and associations in the region, and the impact of economic and political developments on the continent. Regional issues, such as ways to increase capacity in marketing, strategy and communication across borders were proposed as potential cross-country projects. The role of libraries in human development and social integration was also high on the agenda.

IFLA International Leaders Programme

The International Leaders Programme is a two-year programme to increase the cohort of leaders who can effectively represent the wider library sector in the international arena, and to develop leaders within IFLA. 12 Associates and three Counsellors participated in the initial cohort and at WLIC 2014 were recognised with certificates to mark their completion of the Programme.

IFLA Leaders Programme Counsellors

- Helena Asamoah-Hassan
- Winnie Vitzansky
- Jacinta Were

IFLA Leaders Programme Associates

- Margaret Allen
- Atarino Helieisar
- Sarah Kaddu
- Jérémy Lachal
- Zola Maddison
- Antonio Marquez Santos
- Victoria Okojie
- Kgomotso Radijeng
- Rosemary Shafack
- Irina Trushina
- Jorge Octavio Ruiz Vaca
- Dina Youssef

The three Counsellors and Nancy Gwinn, serving as seminar chair at the Congresses in Helsinki, Singapore and Lyon, were also recognised for their contributions. A full evaluation report and recommendations for the next Programme were produced.

Post-2015 Development Agenda

ALP continued its oversight of our advocacy work towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring linkage with other IFLA programmes, such as BSLA.

International Advocacy Programme (IAP)

In August, IFLA announced a new grant from the Global Libraries Initiative of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for IFLA's international advocacy activities. The International Advocacy Programme (IAP) will support IFLA and its members in further increasing awareness of emerging issues in the information environment. It will also create capacity within the public library sector, library institutions and associations to undertake advocacy at international, national and local levels.



Committee on Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM)

CLM advises IFLA and represents the voice of the international library community in copyright and intellectual property concerns, and other related legal matters. CLM continued to engage in support of copyright reform for library activities at regional and international levels, and to aid IFLA members in national copyright issues. Throughout the year, CLM members participated in meetings and discussions regarding European Union (EU) copyright reform, and made an in-depth response to the Public Consultation on the Review of EU Copyright Rules in March. CLM members represented IFLA at key World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) meetings, particularly the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) and the 46th General Assembly. IFLA is advocating within the SCCR, the WIPO Committee that focuses on exceptions and limitations for libraries and archives, to establish basic international standards in copyright to ensure that libraries have the legal certainty to undertake their activities in the global digital era.



Part 1 – Professional Programme Highlights

In September, IFLA representatives attended the 46th General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organisation. It ended with no agreement on a number of topics, including the future work of the SCCR, as it became clear that discussion of any further exceptions to copyright, following last year's successful Marrakech Treaty for the visually impaired, was a red line for most countries in the developed world. Discussions at the December meeting were more constructive.

In May, IFLA participated in a workshop organised by the UN Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights, on intellectual property and the right to science and culture. The outcome document will be presented to the UN Human Rights Council in March 2015, and will inform a report to the UN General Assembly in October 2015.

Committee on Freedom of Access to Information and Freedom of Expression (FAIFE)

FAIFE defends and promotes the basic human rights defined in Article 19 of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The FAIFE Committee works for freedom of access to information and freedom of expression in all aspects, directly or indirectly, related to libraries and librarianship.

FAIFE produced an updated Internet Manifesto, with a focus on openness and transparency in library and information services. The update reinforces the vital role of library and information services in ensuring equitable access to the Internet and its services in support of freedom of access to information and freedom of expression

Increased Internet censorship and surveillance has been an emerging trend over the last decade. In this context, FAIFE launched two new videos on 11th February 2014, designated as The Day We Fight Back, an initiative to highlight the extent to which mass surveillance is carried out on citizens worldwide.

As a signatory to the International Principles on the Application of Human Rights to Communications Surveillance, IFLA supported the Reset the Net activities in June, promoting the need to apply existing human rights law to modern digital surveillance. Civil society groups, industry, law makers and observers all called for a benchmark to measure states' surveillance practices against long-established human rights standards. The International Principles have been endorsed by over 360 organizations from over 70 countries, from Somalia to Sweden.

Committee on Standards

Through the Committee on Standards, the Key Initiative activity Standards Driving Excellence was pushed forward during 2014, with a number of goals achieved. A set of procedures was endorsed and published as a manual, to support the production and revision of IFLA standards. Improvements were made to the way IFLA standards are discoverable online. Studies were launched to look at the usage and impact of IFLA standards and a review was started to look at IFLA's relationships with external library standards issuing bodies.

Preservation and Conservation (PAC)

Our Programme on Preservation and Conservation (PAC) focuses on issues of preservation and cooperation for the preservation of library materials, raising awareness and disseminating information. The PAC Programme has an active network of 13 Preservation and Conservation Centres worldwide which organise training, workshops and seminars on preservation and conservation issues.

In 2014, a review of PAC was undertaken by the Board, in consultation with the PAC Centres, PAC Section and the PAC Advisory Group. The result of the review showed clearly that a more inclusive and consolidated approach was needed, with a strategy towards a network of Centres that covers all the essential skills and expertise of preservation and conservation practices. The new strategy will be introduced in 2015. IFLA is looking forward to working more closely with the PAC Centres and the PAC network to implement the more consolidated strategy, focusing on preservation, conservation, and safeguarding documentary heritage.

Publishing

We continued to implement our Open Access policy and relaunched our Professional Reports series as Open Access, licensed under a Creative Commons licence (CC-BY 3.0) that permits the widest possible dissemination to IFLA members and the library and information community. The series advances knowledge within the profession and promotes high standards of library and information services. Subjects include guidance on implementing IFLA standards and guidelines, reports and articles on emerging trends in professional practice, and significant project reports.



IFLA Journal

A newly-restructured Editorial Committee was appointed, with Jerry Mansfield serving as Chair. Steve Witt took over as editor. Our thanks go to Stephen Parker with his retirement after many years of service as editor.

IFLA Library

The IFLA Library is our repository of digital resources, launched in 2013. Statistics show impressive usage in 2014:

- 246 papers for the WLIC 2014 were added and 46 translations, bringing the total by the end of 2014 to 647 items
- 157,504 downloads
- Peak downloads were recorded in August 2014 (25,457 downloads), a 56% increase on August 2013
- The most downloaded paper in 2014 was downloaded 3,274 times.
- 54,614 searches were directed in from Google, about twice as many than followed links from the IFLA web pages.

IFLA Standards: Guidelines & Best Practice

Guidelines for Planning the Digitization of Rare Book and Manuscript Collections

Rare Books and Special Collections Section

IFLA Guidelines for Library Services to Persons with Dyslexia – Revised and extended

Library Services to People with Special Needs & Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities Sections (Joint Project)

Best Practice for National Bibliographic Agencies in a Digital Age

Bibliography Section

IFLA/UNESCO Multicultural Library Manifesto Toolkit

Library Services to Multicultural Populations Section

International Standard Bibliographic Description (ISBD)

Translations: Russian & Lithuanian Cataloguing Section

Beyond Libraries: Subject Metadata in the Digital Environment and Semantic Web

Classification and Indexing Section

IFLA Publications Series

The series deals with issues and practices pertinent to libraries, information centres, and information professionals worldwide. Volumes are available in print or electronic format.

LIS Education in Developing Countries - The Road Ahead

LIS Education in Developing Countries (SIG)

Libraries Serving Dialogue

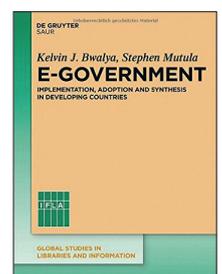
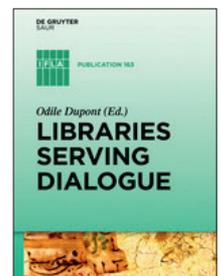
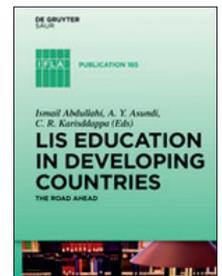
Religious Libraries in Dialogue (SIG)

Global Studies in Libraries and Information

This monograph series serves as a vehicle for professional and scholarly communication in the rapidly-evolving field of global studies in libraries and information. Volumes are peer-reviewed and authored by leading professionals and scholars from across the world.

E-Government: Implementation, Adoption and Synthesis in Developing Countries Volume 1

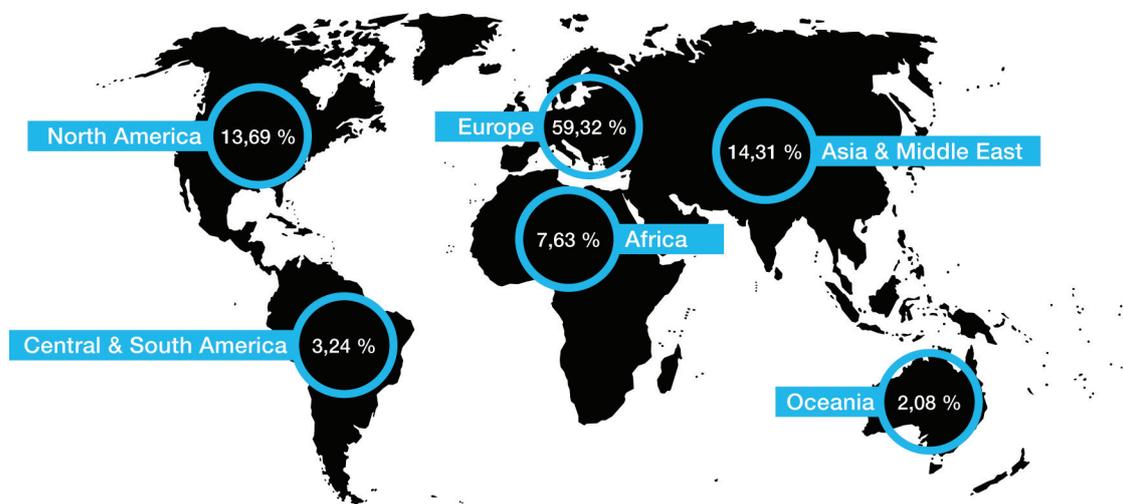
Edited by: Kelvin J. Bwalya / Stephen M. Mutu



Part I - IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2014

The IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2014, 80th IFLA General Conference and Assembly, took place in Lyon, France, from 16-22 August with the theme, Libraries, Citizens, Societies: Confluence for Knowledge.

WLIC 2014 Delegate Distribution



Congress Speakers

Keynote Speaker:

Bernard Stiegler, Director of the Institut de Recherche et d'Innovation

Topic: The Future of Reading

Plenary Speakers:

Her Royal Highness Princess Laurentien of the Netherlands, Reading and Writing Foundation, Netherlands

Florence Aubenas, Journalist at Le Monde

Pierre Dillenbourg, EPFL Center for Digital Education

Statistics

Number of countries represented	132
Full time delegates	2287
Day registrations	832
Accompanying Persons	99
Volunteers	328
Exhibitors	106
Exhibition space (M2)	1124
Open Sessions	227

Based on IFLA's commissioned research it is estimated that:

Delegates' budgetary power exceeded 1.1 billion USD

Delegates spent more than 4.8 million USD

More than 4270 tourism days were spent in France

Level	IFLA WLIC Sponsor
Platinum	OCLC, Cairn.info, BRN
Silver	Infor, Open Edition
Bronze	Axiell
Associate	3M, AIP Publishing, Decitre, De Gruyter Saur, Haver Analytics, Zeuschel, Archimag, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Lyon, Crédit Mutuel Enseignant, Electre (Livres Hebdo)
Supporting partner	Ministry of Culture and Communication, Ministry of National Education, Higher Education and Research, General Council of Rhône, Regional Council of Rhône Department, Only Lyon - Aderly, Sytral, Galeries Lafayette

Grants

Stichting IFLA Foundation
 Brill/IFLA Open Access Award
 IFLA Academic & Research Libraries Section Conference Attendance Grant
 IFLA LIS Student Paper Award
 IFLA International Marketing Award
 Dr. Shawky Salem Conference Grant
 Naseej Conference Grant
 Grants for CILIP members to attend WLIC
 Rovelstad Scholarship in International Librarianship
 Les bourses francophones IFLA du Comité français international bibliothèques et documentation (cfibd)
 Reisekostenzuschüsse zur Teilnahme am Weltkongress Bibliothek und Information

Honorary Fellow



Alex Byrne

IFLA Medal



Peter J. Lor



Pascal Sanz



Jesús Lau



Bibliothèque nationale de France

IFLA Scroll of Appreciation



IFLA Lyon National Committee (Bruno Racine)



Réjean Savard

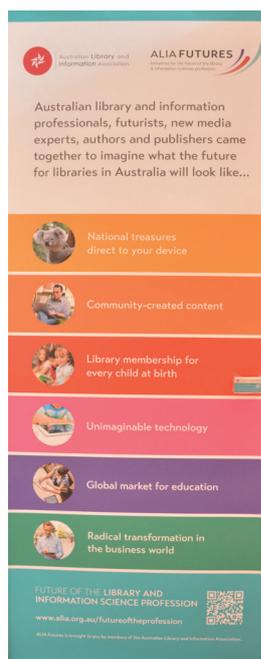
Professional Awards

Professional Unit Communication Award



Library Theory and Research Section (Raphaëlle Bats)

Best IFLA Poster



ALIA (Australian Library and Information Association): Future of the Profession
Judy Brooker

The 2014 Jay Jordan IFLA/OCLC Early Career Development Fellowship Programme

2014 Fellows:

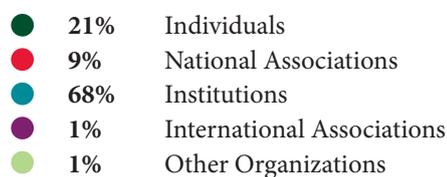
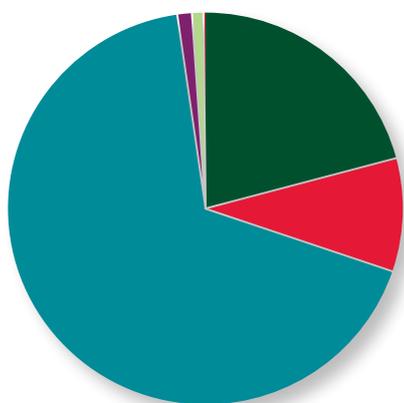
- Olufunmilayo Fati, Nigeria
- Franklin Flores Urrutia, El Salvador
- W.M. Tharanga Dilruk Ranasinghe, Sri Lanka
- Leonila Reyes, Philippines
- Sonam Wangdi, Bhutan

Part I - Membership

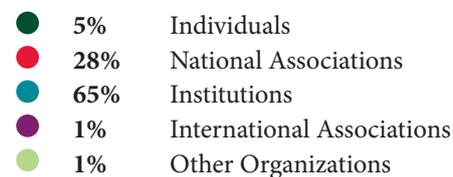
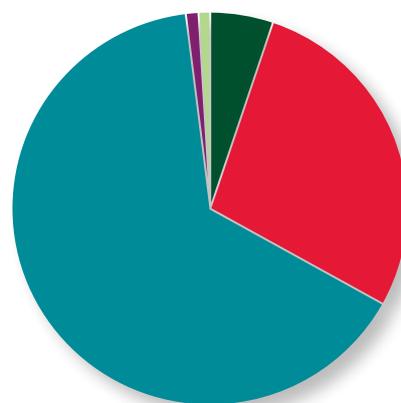
The year 2014 started with 1439 and ended with 1396 financial members, meeting our retention rate target of more than 90%. Analysis of the trends over the period 2010 to 2014 shows that membership in Africa, Asia-Oceania and Latin America-Caribbean are holding up well, and figures for National Associations are generally stable. The biggest drops in membership have been Institutional, particularly in Europe and, to a lesser extent, in North America, and Student Affiliates.

Number of Members per Category per Region - 2013-2014													
Categories	Africa		Asia/Oceania		Europe		Latin America/ Caribbean		North America		Totals		%
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Association Affiliates	2	1	2	3	1	1	0	1	0	1	5	7	-28.57%
Institutional Sub-unit	0	0	1	2	3	3	0	0	2	2	6	7	-14.29%
Institutions	84	87	181	187	500	522	56	52	125	133	946	981	-3.57%
Intl Associations	3	2	2	2	10	10	0	0	3	3	18	17	5.88%
National Associations	14	16	28	25	65	62	9	7	13	12	129	122	5.75%
One person Lib. Centre	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	-50.00%
Other Associations	0	0	2	3	3	3	0	0	1	1	6	7	-14.29%
Personal Affiliates	15	17	43	49	69	64	25	25	115	109	267	264	1.14%
School Libraries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Student Affiliates	3	3	3	7	1	8	0	1	11	13	18	32	-43.75%
Grand Total	121	126	262	278	653	675	90	86	270	274	1396	1439	-2.99%
2013-2014%	-3.97%		-5.76%		-3.26%		4.65%		-1.46%		-2.99%		
Total Organisations	103	106	216	222	583	603	65	60	144	152	1111	1143	-2.80%
2013-2014%	-2.83%		-2.70%		-3.36%		8.33%		-5.26%		-2.80%		
Total Individuals	18	20	46	56	70	72	25	26	126	122	285	296	-3.72%
2013-2014%	-10.00%		-17.86%		-2.78%		-3.85%		3.28%		-3.72%		

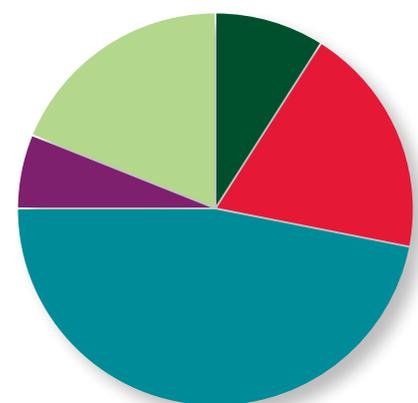
2014 Membership Categories



2014 Membership Income



2014 Regional Split



Koninklijke Bibliotheek, The Netherlands (Host of IFLA HQ)

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Biblioteca Nacional Portugal (Host of UNIMARC)

National Library Board, Singapore
(Host of IFLA Asia and Oceania Regional Office)

University of South Africa, Pretoria (Host of IFLA Africa Regional Office)

Institute of Research on Library and Information Science (IIBI), UNAM
(Host of IFLA Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Office)

Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Egypt (Host of IFLA Language Centre for Arabic)

National Library of China (Host of IFLA Language Centre for Chinese)

Cheikh Anta Diop University, Senegal
(Host of IFLA Language Centre for French in Africa)

Russian State Library (Host of IFLA Language Centre for Russian)

National Diet Library, Japan

National Library of Australia

Library and Archives Canada

National Library of Finland

Bibliothèque nationale de France

Deutsche Nationalbibliothek

Qatar National Library

The British Library

Prins Claus Fonds

Bibliothèque Nationale du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg

Bibliothèque Nationale Suisse

Open Society Foundations

IREX

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acknowledges
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by these
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organisations
that have
enabled us
to continue
our strategic
and regional
activities and
development
projects in 2014

Statement of the Treasurer

The financial result for the year 2014 shows a surplus of € 227,355, compared to the deficit result for 2013 of € 70,320. The surplus brings our general reserves to € 941,373, and earmarked reserves to € 59,346. This level of reserves is above our general reserves policy. These reserves are an important asset for IFLA to be able to secure our work and sustainability in the years to come.

The total income for the year 2014 was € 2,011,399 which is higher than the €1,726,385 received in 2013. The reasons for this are twofold. During the World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) 2014 in Lyon, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Global Libraries Initiative announced a five year 4.9M USD grant to IFLA. A first transfer of € 354,700 was made during the last months of 2014, shown in the Statement of Income as contributions for Key Initiatives and Web/IT. The second main cause for the higher level of income is the increase in the result of the subsidiary IFLA Holding B.V. from € 48,444 in 2013 to € 126,363. This includes the positive result of the 2014 WLIC in Lyon. The IFLA Holding B.V. and its subsidiaries company structure provides IFLA with financial security for the management of the WLICs and for meeting any losses resulting from a WLIC.

The total for expenses in 2014 was € 1,784,044 which is marginally lower than €1,796,705 for 2013. The major expense is the staff employed at IFLA Headquarters, representing 50.7% of the total expenditure, down from 57% in the previous year, for an average of 14 equivalent full-time employees. This expenditure is lower in 2014 due to several temporary vacancies within the HQ staff.

Expenditures for professional activities and projects, including grants by external organizations, represent 26.1% of the total expenditure.

IFLA is very thankful to its member organisations who support us through donations and hosting activities, and to the organisations that support our initiatives and projects through grant funding.

Frédéric Blin, Treasurer

Balance sheet as per 31 December 2014

Assets	31 December 2014		31 December 2013	
	€	€	€	€
<i>Tangible Fixed Assets</i>		15,291		47,070
<i>Financial Fixed Assets</i>		285,067		158,704
<i>Current Assets</i>				
Receivables	168,507		268,735	
Cash at bank and in hand	3,729,050		2,910,106	
		<u>3,897,557</u>		<u>3,178,841</u>
		4,197,915		3,384,615
Liabilities				
<i>Equity</i>				
Earmarked reserves	59,346		49,945	
General reserve	941,373		723,419	
		<u>1,000,719</u>		<u>773,364</u>
<i>Current Liabilities</i>				
Deferred income	16,698		19,005	
Other liabilities	3,180,498		2,592,246	
		<u>3,197,196</u>		<u>2,611,251</u>
Result		<u>4,197,915</u>		<u>3,384,615</u>

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Year 2014

	Total 2014	Total 2013
Income	€	€
Membership fees	755.502	755.116
Corporate Supporters	32.500	31.250
Dutch Government	16.000	16,000
Contributions Core Activities	107.094	131.322
Contributions Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	338.852	59.891
Contributions Stichting IFLA Foundation For Key Initiatives	56.952	173.650
Contributions OS F or Key Initiatives	16.511	2.899
Contributions IREX or Key Initiatives	32.516	22.461
Contributions Stichting IFLA Foundation for Congress Grants	6.190	39.650
Contributions Sage for Congress Grants	2.200	2.438
Contributions ARL for Congress Grants	1.500	1.500
Contributions Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for Web and IT	15.848	37.587
Sales of publications and royalties	36.541	36.994
Conference services fees	235.000	225.000
Management fees	156.166	77.732
Interest and other financial income	23.844	14.165
Result subsidiary IFLA Holding B.V.	126.363	48.444
Income voucher scheme	40.083	49.191
Income Shawky Salem Training Fund	244	355
Income Margreet Wijnstrom Fund	924	720
Income other IFLA Funds	10.569	0
Miscellaneous	0	20
	2.011.399	1.726.385
Expenditure		
Conferences costs	30.702	21.160
Meetings and office president costs	29.296	42.180
Regional Offices and Centres	35.428	45.275
Professional Activities and Projects	21.502	44.994
Costs of publications (including free publications)	57.529	67.568
Staff expenses	904.994	1.039.898
Office expenses	111.313	104.627
Web and IT	115.155	96.036
Expenses Key Initiatives	444.831	262.103
Expenses Congress Grants	9.655	43.350
Expenses voucher scheme	12.812	9.673
Expenses Shawky Salem Training Fund	976	85
Expenses other IFLA Funds	5,693	0
Expenses Margreet Wijnstroom Fund	1.595	0
Expenses other IFLA Funds	0	5.693
Interest and other financial expenses	0	4.695
Miscellaneous	8.256	9.368
	1.784.044	1.796.705
Result	227.355	-70.320

Part II- Language Centres/ Regional Offices/ IFLA Headquarters

Four **Language Centres** contribute to more effective communication within the relevant language communities. These activities include the publication and/or translation of newsletters, key IFLA documents, guidelines, press releases, and Congress papers.

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Three **Regional Offices** raise IFLA's profile internationally and assist in membership recruitment, organising regional IFLA events, disseminating information, and contributing to effective communication within their regions and IFLA globally.

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