

## **SAMPLE DOCUMENT**

Call for Papers  
IFLA WLIC 2015  
Cape Town, South Africa  
15-21 August 2015  
Asia & Oceania Section

### **Theme:**

#### ***Repositioning libraries in the Asia Pacific region - evolving strategies, innovative services***

In keeping with the conference's overall theme, *Dynamic Libraries: Access, Development and Transformation*, the Asia and Oceania Open Session will focus on how libraries respond to opportunities for empowering citizens, enhancing learning, and adopting ICTs to name a few, and what this might mean for librarians in terms of their knowledge, skills and attitude.

We seek contributions that illustrate the different ways in which libraries in Asia and Oceania are repositioning themselves to enhance their effectiveness and impact.

We encourage professionals across the region to submit proposals for papers on a topic of their choice relating to the session theme. Possible topics include:

- dynamic new library services
- new policies and new strategies
- innovative spaces for new services
- relationships with new partners to build new services
- creative programmes to teach digital literacies or information literacy
- new skills and/or roles required to manage evolving services
- workforce planning to reposition libraries
- inclusion of library services in national information policies and their application
- developments in the library profession / library education

While our suggested topics are similar to others which will be discussed at the Conference, our approach as a Section is to look at these topics from a broad Asia-Oceania perspective. Authors who submit papers on local or national initiatives should indicate how their conclusions or lessons learned could be applied elsewhere.

### **Submissions**

1. The deadline for submitting a detailed abstract (500 words) and full author details is **31 January 2015**. Selection of papers is based on the abstract, and presenters will be notified whether they have been successful by **mid-March 2015**.
2. The full paper is due on **31 May 2015** and must be an original submission not presented or published elsewhere.
3. Both abstracts and full papers should be submitted as a MS Word file by e-mail. Fax or post should be used only as a last resort.
4. Papers should be no more than 4,000 words, single spaced in Times New Roman 12 point
5. Papers should be in English with an abstract, and the presenter (who need not be the author) must be fluent in English

6. 15 minutes will be allowed for a summary delivery of the paper in the Conference; the full written paper is **not** to be read
7. The author(s) should indicate his/her personal full contact details and include a brief biographical note with the paper.

### **Selection**

Full abstracts (500 words) should be prepared following the template provided below. Each abstract will be blind reviewed by members of the Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania.

**Abbreviated abstracts or late submissions will not be considered.**

<i>Purpose of this paper</i>	What are the reason(s) for writing the paper (or the aims of the research)?
<i>Theme</i>	How does it relate to the theme?
<i>Design/methodology/approach</i>	How are the objectives achieved? Include the main method(s) used for the study. What is the approach to the topic, and what is the theoretical or subject scope of the paper?
<i>Findings</i>	What was found in the course of the work? This will refer to analysis, discussion, or results.
<i>Research limitations/implications (if applicable)</i>	If research is reported on in the paper, this section must be completed and should include suggestions for future research and any identified limitations in the research process.
<i>Practical implications (if applicable)</i>	What outcomes and implications for practice, applications and consequences are identified? All papers should have practical applications. What changes to practice might be made as a result of this research/paper?
<i>What is original/value of paper</i>	What is new in the paper? State the value of the paper and to whom.

Please send your abstract **by 31 January 2015** to:

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