



**Library History Special Interest Group
ANNUAL REPORT
2017-2018**

Report on progress and activities

Objectives <i>Identified in the Unit's Action Plan</i>	Project or activity <i>Identified in the Unit's Action Plan</i>	Progress <i>Please give brief details, including status (not started, in progress, near completion, completed)</i>	Risks <i>Please identify any problems or concerns (e.g. missed deadlines, lack of resource) and how you would propose to address them</i>
1. 1,2,3,4	Hold a session at the 2018 Kuala Lumpur conference;	Done with an excellent response to call for papers. Of the 16 abstracts reviewed, the Committee decided on representations from across the world with papers delivered on the topic from Singapore, Chile, China and USA perspectives	One speaker did not attend conference due to a car accident in his country and all wished him well in his recovery.
2. 1,3,4	Continue to raise the relevance, significance and importance of library history to IFLA, the SIG itself, IFLA members and the library profession	Conversations start to take place; Library History issues are also around in my own State of Western Australia and a Library History group has started. The Library History e-list continues to gain new members but very few posts are made on this list.	More engagement on the SIG Blog and consider other e-engagement
3. 1,2,3,4	Theme issue for IFLA Journal on 2017 Wroclaw session "Libraries in times of crisis: historical perspectives"	Editor of IFLA Journal advised at the IFLA 2018 conference that the issue is underway with enough papers	Nil - now

		reviewed and accepted.	
4. 1,2,3	The proceedings of the 2014 "History of Librarianship" satellite conference held are not yet published	Trying one more time to see if this is still planned	This undertaking was made before the current SIG convenor's involvement and it may not happen.
5. 1,2,3,4	Consider a possible research project on library history	Not much progress so far but an idea is germinating	Once we have an idea, we then need people to undertake the work

Results

Please provide further information about the activities that were completed during the year. Ensure that details or a full report can be found online, the main outcomes have been shared with a wider audience and the impact of the work can be demonstrated.

Completed project or activity <i>Please list those projects/activities identified as completed in the table above</i>	Output <i>Please state what the output of the project/activity was (e.g. Report, Standard, Workshop etc) and provide a URL to it</i>	Communications <i>Please state how the output and outcomes of the project/activity have been communicated to the Unit, IFLA members and the wider profession</i>	Impact of the completed project or activity <i>Through the Measures of Success identified in your Action Plan, describe what difference the project or activity has made to the Unit, IFLA members, the wider profession or society at large</i>
1. Session at IFLA 2018	Of the 16 abstracts that were reviewed, 4 of 5 speakers submitted and gave presentations	Papers are on the IFLA Papers website	The session: Transform Libraries. Transform Societies: Library outreach to marginalized populations: historical perspectives continued the SIG approach to communities that struggle, and there is considerable interest in this as the session was well attended.

SIG Committee membership

Please provide further information about members of the Standing Committee and their contribution to the work of the Professional Unit.

Standing Committee members' names	Role on the Standing Committee (if any) and contribution made to the work of the Professional Unit over the year <i>For example, Chair, Information Coordinator, Project Leader</i>	Comments on position <i>For example, resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.</i>
1. Dr Kerry Smith	Convenor, Session chair	
2. Polly Boruff-Jones	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
3. Michele Fenton	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
4. Stacy Hisle-Chaudri	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
5. Helen Ladewig	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
6. Peter Lor	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
7. Irene Munster	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
8. Hibaq Nur	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
9. Parisa Pasyar	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
10. Kaisa Sinikara	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
11. Suzanne Stauffer	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
12. Pat Wand	Committee member	Volunteered to assist
13. Christy Zlatos	Committee member	Volunteered to assist

Names of any other reporting persons	Role <i>For example, Corresponding Members</i>	Comments on position <i>For example, resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.</i>
1. Anup Kumar Das	Web editor	Volunteered to assist

Professional Unit meetings or conference calls

Please show how the Standing Committee has conducted its business over the year.

- All discussion is by email with the Committee assisting where they can with assessing abstract submissions for the conference session. Some of the Committee members also assisted with the reviewing of articles for the special issue of the IFLA Journal on papers from the SIG's session at the IFLA 2017 CONFERENCE: *Libraries in times of crisis*.

Date <i>When the meeting was held</i>	Location or type of meeting <i>Physical or virtual meeting (telephone, skype etc)</i>	Main outcomes <i>Briefly summarise the main outcomes of the meeting and how these were communicated to the membership of the Professional Unit</i>
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Please return this form to the Division Chair, Sponsoring Section and professionalsupport@ifla.org no later than 31 October 2018.

Please also make a summary of this form available to the IFLA Members registered with the Professional Unit, removing any sensitive information such as risks, individuals' contributions, etc.

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