



Library Theory and Research Section

IFLA Library Theory and Research (LTR) Standing Committee

LTR Second Standing Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 18th 2016, 8:00-9:30 , Room C223,

Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC)

1. Participants

Members; Anna Maria Tamaro, Yasuyo, Inoue, , Simon Jules Koudjam Yameni, Jennifer Weil Arns
Carolynn Rankin, Milan Vasiljevic, Peter Lor, Kerry Smith, Theo Bothma, Raphaëlle Bats, Beth
Sandore Namachchivaya, Xiwen Liu, Terry Weech

Apologies: Dan Dorner, Heidi Kristin Olsen, Gaby Haddow, Lavrik Olga Lvovna, Petra Hauke

Absents; Wei Lu, Tae Kyung Kim, Patricia Montiel Overall, Sylvestre Kouakou Kouassi,

Observers; Jaya Raju, Bill Fisher, Clara Chu, You-young Lee, Kendra Albright, Naana Otaa-Gyamfi,,
Susmita Chaknaborty, Alessia Zamin-Yost

2. Officer reports and election of new officers

Tamaro reported back on the meeting “What makes a dynamic IFLA Professional Unit?” The new Secretary General has a vision for IFLA that involves a more central and active role for the Professional Units in defining and supporting the strategic direction in which IFLA will move. The Section has to prepare an Annual Report and Action Plan to be discussed and approved with the SC. Annual Reports and Action Plans will cover the year 2015-2016 ending in September and they will be sent to Division Chair by 30 October 2016 so that PC can discuss them in its December meeting. The Action Plan template now includes a table in which to enter any funding request and replaces the Project Funding Application Form. Together with the Action Plan has to be prepared a Communication Plan. Simon Jules Koudjam Yameni as Information Coordinators will prepare it, but the Communication Plan has to be done with the collaboration of all the SC members.

3. Conference Program Planning

- WLIC 2016 Open Session

Raphaëlle Bats reported that there were more than 100 participants and an animated discussion at the end. Raphaëlle will work for a possible publication in IFLA Journal of the revised papers.

- WLIC 2017 Open Session “Transformation of the librarian role” together with SIG New Professional. Program Planning Committee (Gaby Haddow and Heidi Kristin Olsen Co-Chairs, Milan Vasilievic)

A draft proposal (transmitted to all SC members on 4th August) was presented by Milan Vasilievic as a joint session of the LTR Section and the New Professionals SIG. The draft proposal is considering organising a panel discussion in the second part of the session with 15 minutes and 5 minutes of discussion for speakers. In the discussion it was suggested to have less papers so that we can give more time to the presenters (2 instead of 3). There were some questions if LTR could collaborate with Education and Training session to enlarge to SET the joint session.

- WLIC 2017 joint session LTR, SET, SIG LIS developing countries “Building Strong LIS education: work in progress”

Tammaro reported that as a follow up of the Satellite Conference “International Quality Assessment of LIS Education Programs”, there was the proposal to have a joint Session with the same participants to the Satellite (LTR, SET, SIG LIS developing countries). Programme Planning Committee: Tammaro and Arns together with all other interested SC members.

- WLIC 2017 Satellite in Warsaw on “Data curator who is s/he?” together with Information Technology Section, Preservation and Conservation Section and University of Warsaw. Programme Planning Committee Krystyna Matusiak (Chair), Terry Weech, Anna Maria Tammaro. The satellite conference will give an opportunity to present international and interdisciplinary perspectives on the emerging field of data curation
- WLIC 2018 will be in Kuala Lumpur. Program Planning Committee: Gaby Haddow (Chair); the SC members of the Area have been invited to join the Committee and we are waiting for their replies.

4. Projects and publications

- Report on Data Curator Project, Krystyna Matusiak and Anna Maria Tammaro
Tammaro reported on the activities done by the Project, now in the final phase of building the ontology and to be completed by the end of October.
- IFLA De Gruyter Research Award 2017
Tammaro reported on a meeting with De Gruyter; the Best Research Paper award will be done in 2017 together with LIS Student Paper Award of the Section Education and Training .
- one for the best paper from an LIS new (early career) professional (1,000 Euros - to be confirmed)
- one for the best paper from an LIS graduate student (500 Euros)
Winners will be presented their awards at the IFLA award ceremony, and paper will be considered for publication in Libri. If the papers fit within the theme of either SET or LTR sessions, they may be considered for presentation. A request will need to be made to IFLA that IFLA waive/award the registration fee to the winners. The Award Jury Committee will be chaired by Theo Bothma, Co-Editor of Libri, with a committee of reviewers from SET and LTR.
- New project proposal: as a follow up of the Satellite Conference “International Quality Assessment of LIS Education Programs”, there was the proposal about a Project together with SET, CPDWBL and SIG LIS education in Developing Countries on “Competency frameworks

Register” with the aim of opening up conversation between all the stakeholders. A first draft has been distributed to all SC members (via Basecamp platform).

Doctoral Colloquium/Clinics: Arns will develop a proposal on engaging doctoral student and Master student in the activities of LTR Section

5. Special Interest Group - Report on Library History SIG (Kerry Smith)

- WLIC 2016 Open Session "Libraries and Immigrants: Historical Perspectives" SIG Library History together with Multicultural Libraries Section and also ALA Library History Round

The Open Session of the SIG Library History at IFLA 2016 Columbus: was a success. The papers can be found at Session 192 of the Conference programme. Kerry Smith announced that she is working further with the SIG's Web Editor Anup Kumar Das to set up a blog. A fuller report on the session can be found at our website: <http://www.ifla.org/node/10836?og=83>

LTR SC Members thanked Kerry Smith for her success in revitalizing the SIG Library History activities.

- WLIC 2017 Open Session

Kerry Smith suggested for the WLIC 2017 an European background of changing historical trend.

6. Other Business

A note prepared by Theo Bothma and Peter Lor about competition between IFLA Library publication and academic journal acceptance of papers presented at WLIC, has been sent by LTR to the Division Chair for possible discussion in the Governing Board.