

34th Annual Pre-Conference of the Library and Research Services for Parliaments
Section

Transforming parliamentary libraries and research services to
meet changing clients' needs

Friday 24th August

Location - Plenary Theatre, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Agenda (Updated 14th August)

11:10 – 11:45 Introduction & News from the Section

11:45 – 12:30 Presentation from Malaysian Parliament

*“Strengthening Parliamentary Research & Library Services in
an Interconnected World: The Malaysian Experience”*

Presented by:

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Joined by:

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Malaysia

Mrs. Norfadzlin binti Abdullah, Assistant Librarian, Parliament
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12:30 – 13:45	Lunch
13:45 – 15:15	Workshop (1): – Parliamentary Research & Library Service Ethics Presentation – Iain Watt Followed by workshop session
15:15 – 15:30	Break
15:30 – 16:15	Workshop (2): – Client Needs Presentation – Steve Wise Followed by workshop session
16:15 – 16:25	Concluding remarks
16:25 – 16:30	Address by Donna Scheeder, IFLA Past President
16:30 – 17:30	Standing Committee Meeting (1) – all welcome
Evening	IFLA Caucus Meetings (see WLIC Programme for details)

NOTES:

Venue: The Plenary Theatre is a very large space laid out with fixed cinema-style seating – you can see what it looks like on the [Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre website](#). We are very lucky to have been given this space, but we will need to adapt our programme to work with the layout.

Firstly, please could I ask everyone to sit towards the front of the auditorium – this will make it much easier for the speakers and you will be able to hear better.

Secondly, we don't have separate rooms for the workshop sessions. So, we will either have to use different parts of the Plenary Theatre for groups to sit and discuss, or we will use nearby public spaces/lounges in the Convention Centre. We will explain how the workshops will operate at the start of the afternoon session.

Introduction: There is another session in the room between 08:00 and 11:00. We are allowing 15 minutes for the participants of the earlier meeting to leave and pre-conference attendees to arrive. Please arrive promptly so we can make the most of the time we have.

Lunch: There is no lunch provided as part of the pre-conference but there will be places to eat within the Convention Centre. Once again, we will explain the arrangements in more detail in the introductory session at the start of the day. Please return promptly after lunch so we don't lose any time for the afternoon presentations & workshops.

Workshops: We will spend most of the afternoon in workshop sessions. There will be two themes – Parliamentary Research and Library Service Ethics (carrying on the work started at the 2017 Pre-Conference) and Understanding Client Needs.

There will be a short presentation to introduce each theme and set out the discussion points for each of the workshop sessions.

Because of time and space constraints, the intention is that everyone will take part in the workshop session for each theme. After each presentation, we will split into smaller groups (the size of each group will depend on numbers attending), and each group will have a facilitator to help the discussion.

At the end of the presentations and workshop sessions there will be 30 minutes for the workshop facilitators to report back with a summary of the discussions in their groups.

SC Meeting The day will finish with the first of the two Standing Committee meetings we will be holding during the Congress. All Section members are welcome to stay and participate. We will be discussing plans for the 2019 Pre-Conference in Athens, progress with the Section's Action Plan, the Section's engagement with the IFLA Global Vision, election of SC members and officers in 2019, and other matters relevant to the Section in the coming year.