



85th IFLA General Conference and Assembly, 24–30 August 2019, Athens Greece

IFLA National Libraries Standing Committee - Meeting I
Saturday August 24 13:30 – 15:30, Room: HAEF 226

Draft Minutes

Two Announcements:

Frederick Zarndt: There will be a new born-digital legal deposit survey, 2019 version. 55 legal deposit libraries participated in the last survey. This time he is looking for more input from Africa. LAC and Asia in particular.

The survey is open until September 20th 2019 and can be accessed here:

<https://bit.ly/31VP2Qw> (<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5000877/Digital-e-Legal-Deposit-Survey-2019>)

Vicki Macdonald, incoming PC Chair: Introduced herself and thanked the section for the work of the last two years. Mentioned that governance would be reviewed later in the year, including the professional structure. We will be invited to provide input to this process.

1. Welcome

- a. Apologies were received from Jaesun Lee, Hans Jansen, Melita Ambrožič.
- b. Welcome to new SC members
- c. Welcome to observers

Guy Berthiaume welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the agenda. Genevieve Clavel introduced new members who will take up their positions at the second Committee meeting.

Thanks were given to outgoing members.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

3. Standing Committee membership matters

- a. Introduction to the Standing Committee for new members.
(<https://www.ifla.org/officers-corner/sc-members>)
 - b. Election of new Officers by incoming Standing Committee (ongoing and new Standing Committee members).
 - i. Chair: Isabelle Nyffenegger, elected unopposed
 - ii. Secretary: Francesco Manganiello or Liisa Savolainen : secret ballot
 - iii. Information Officer: Stuart Hamilton, confirmed
 - c. Renewal or retirement of corresponding members (Melita Ambrožič , Ismet Ovčina, Guy Berthiaume, Genevieve Clavel)
- a) New members were welcomed. Genevieve Clavel reminded members they are elected in a personal capacity. She outlined the commitments to be made, the role of the NatLib mailing list and the need to contribute. The role of the information coordinator was explained, and the need to share information so that it can be distributed widely to members and interested parties.
- b) Genevieve Clavel introduced the handover procedure from the old Committee to the new, and outlined the process behind selecting a Chair and Secretary. She reported that following discussion by the Committee Isabelle Nyffenegger was elected unopposed as Chair.

Isabelle Nyffenegger introduced herself and gave a short overview of her career. She committed to continue the work of the Committee, and called for people to contribute and cooperate together.

Genevieve Clavel invited the two candidates for Secretary, Francesco Manganiello and Liisa Savolainen, to introduce themselves and share why they wished to take the position. Both candidates gave overviews of their career, the breadth of their experience, and their areas of interest. Ballots were handed to SC members eligible to vote. Liisa Savolainen was confirmed as Secretary.

Stuart Hamilton was confirmed as Information Coordinator for the section.

- c) Melita Ambrožič , Ismet Ovčina, Guy Berthiaume, Genevieve Clavel were confirmed as corresponding members for the section.

Christine McKenzie, IFLA President-Elect, joined the meeting to introduce herself and invite participants to her President's Session later in the week.

4. Approval of the minutes from Kuala Lumpur and matters arising

- a. Approval (done by e-mail, minutes available online).

- b. Matters arising in relation to the minutes
 - c. Section and SIG logo (<https://www.ifla.org/files/assets/hq/documents/ifla-professional-units-id-guidelines.pdf>)
- a) The minutes were approved.
 - b) There were no matters arising from the minutes.
 - c) Stuart Hamilton shared that while the National Library of Korea had provided the section with a logo for consideration IFLA took the process back in house during the year, and we are now using the results.

5. Announcements and report from the Leadership Forum

Genevieve Clavel shared information from the Leadership Forum that took place earlier in the morning. She shared that Kristel Vaimann from the NatLib section will be speaking at the President's Session mentioned by Christine McKenzie. She shared that IFLA 2020 will be in Dublin, 15-24 August. The theme will be based on the IFLA Strategic Plan 'Inspire, Enable, Engage and Connect'. IFLA 2021 will be in Rotterdam with the theme 'Let's Work Together'.

There will be a change in location of Satellite meetings. For WLIC 2020 they will need to be held in Ireland and the UK only. In WLIC 2021 satellite meetings should be in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

IFLA will look at governance in the coming months, with a planning phase. A handout was shared to illustrate the process. The end result will lead to a new IFLA structure, to be in place for the WLIC 2021 and the elections that precede it.

There will be a new website by the end of 2019. It will showcase section activities and be easier to use.

IFLA will also place more emphasis on regional activities in the coming year.

6. IFLA Global Vision, Strategy and Section Action Plan

- a. Update from ongoing activities, working groups or projects.
Brief report on Digital Unification WG and Library missions – more details in NLSC II (**Isabelle Nyffenegger**)

SIG reports will be given in SC II

Isabelle Nyffenegger shared that in 2016 the SC agreed it would work on the question of digital reunification and organize an open session around the subject. After the session a working group was set up which includes IFLA SCs that have an interest, as well as ICA, UNESCO, CDNL. One objective was to

produce case studies, and another was to draft guidelines for digital reunification projects. The work is completed, the guidelines are online, as well as the use cases(<https://www.ifla.org/publications/node/92435>). They should become an official IFLA standard.

In 2015 a survey was launched to look at library missions. Circumstances meant the data was not able to be analysed properly at the time, but during 2019 Isabelle and colleagues managed to move things forward. Use cases and guidelines could be forthcoming from this work.

Results from both projects to be shown at CDNL on Tuesday and at a WLIC session on Thursday.

b. Report on IFLA Global Vision meeting in The Hague and Strategy Review Section's objectives and planning of related activities.

- i. Communication within the Standing Committee (email, Basecamp, Zoom calls).

Genevieve Clavel spoke about the different means of communication for the Committee. Email is mostly used. Basecamp can also be used for project work and Zoom for conference calls, in consultation with IFLA HQ.

- ii. Communication with members (mailing list, web pages, etc.). Information Coordinator's report.

Stuart Hamilton reported on his activities as Information coordinator: in the past year, more people have been submitting news items for the monthly newsletter. Items from this are also sent as tweets. He encouraged colleagues to send short items by the middle of each month. Links to articles in languages other than English are welcome. Please ensure that if you send information about an event or news concerning a library that is not your own that they agree to publication.

- iii. Report on IFLA Global Vision meeting in The Hague and Strategy Review: Section's objectives and planning of related activities

Francisco Manganiello and Kristel Veimann shared a report on the Global Vision meeting in The Hague. 63 sections were represented. All worked on business plans. A lot of duplication between section's work, needs and wants. Engagement and collaboration were key words for the Nat Lib section. IFLA very keen on meaningful impacts, but there is an expertise gap within the membership that will need to be addressed. One of the tasks of the meeting was to map the topics that could be developed further

during the next strategy period. The aim was to identify topics that would help to realize the objectives of the strategy. Once the topics are set, they would be the basis for preparing activities according to the action plan, and these activities should be discussed and confirmed at the WLIC in Athens.

- c. Revision and update of action plan, based on discussion under b) and on papers distributed with the agenda

Genevieve Clavel led discussion on suggested actions for 2019-2020. Details are in the document 'Draft Action Plan 2019-2020 NLSC'. 15th October is the deadline for submission of the plan.

7. WLIC National Libraries Section's program at IFLA 2018 (open session, SIGs and other sessions of interest)

Guy Berthiaume invited participants to attend the following sessions at the conference. Organisers of each session gave an overview of content and participants.

Monday August 26, 16:00-18:00

Room: Trianti

Session 139, International Relations - East meets West - National Organisations and International Relations (SI)

Wednesday August 28, 10:45-13:15

Room: Business Meeting Room 3

Session 216, SC II - National Libraries

Thursday August 29, 08:30-10:30

Room: Mitropoulos

Session 249, National Libraries: Evolving Spaces

Thursday August 29, 10:45-12:45

Room: MC3

Session 264, National Information and Library Policies in Support of the UN Sustainable Development Goals - National Information and Library Policy (NILP) SIG

Genevieve Clavel also mentioned session 273, Thursday 29th August – Engage and Connect: the PC and IFLA's units. Standing Committee members invited to attend

8. WLIC session for following year

- a. Programme ideas / Brainstorming
- b. Volunteers for the Conference organizing team : to report back in SC II

Artificial intelligence

Antiquated standards for creation of national bibliography – how should we approach national bibliography now? (w/ bibliography section)

How to find new talent? Recruitment, new skills, new competencies (w/ CPDWL)

Grey literature

Measuring impact at national level

Lars Ilshammer, Sophie Vandepontseele, Liisa Savolainen, Huism Tan , Mark Sweeney volunteered to meet to discuss ideas. Liisa will convene the group before the next business meeting.

Winston Roberts talked about northern national libraries ‘twinning’ with or supporting smaller global south national libraries to attend the forthcoming WLICs in Europe.

9. WLIC Satellite Meetings

- a. General evaluation and feedback on the Satellite Meeting Grey Literature: Scholarly Communication in a Digital World organized IFLA Serials & Other Continuing Resources and IFLA National Libraries (August 23rd).

- b. Decision about whether to plan a satellite meeting in Dublin in 2020
Genevieve reported that around 45 colleagues attended the satellite meeting on Grey Literature, mostly from academic libraries. Sophie Vandepontseele (Royal Library Belgium, incoming SC member) presented a paper on Grey literature and legal deposit: the approach of the Royal Library of Belgium. All papers will be made available in the IFLA Library.

The SC decided not to plan a satellite meeting in 2020.

10. Any other business

- a. ISO standard 21248 Quality assessment for national libraries

Patrice Landry gave an overview of the revision of ISO/TR 28118 – Performance Indicators for National Libraries.

An ISO project started in 2016 to revise the ISO/TR 28118 – Performance indicators for national libraries under the responsibility of Roswitha Poll. A proposal was made following a survey of CDNL members to include both performance measurement and impact assessment in one standard. It was decided to integrate in the revision elements of the ISO 16439 – Methods and procedures for assessing the impact of libraries. A working group was set up: ISO/TC 46/SC 8/WG7, in which 11 national libraries were represented. The Standard has been published in March 2019 and contains following:

- Terms and definitions
- Quality assessment of national libraries, including mission and functions of national libraries
- Performance indicators for national libraries (overview and definitions)

- Impact assessment for national libraries
Plus two appendices
- Appendix A: Description of performance indicators
- Appendix B: Examples of impact surveys

Patrice Landry asked: will national libraries use this standard? Is there a willingness on the part of the National Libraries Section and/or CDNL to promote it? A proposal was made in 2017 to look into a “tool kit” project for the application of the standard—any willingness to go forward?

Renate Gömpel reported that the German National Library has started to work on the standard, but only recently. She gave the following details:

The German National Library started to implement the new standard. As a first step, the following performance indicators will be implemented:

	A.1.2.1	Coverage of the National Imprint in the New Entries of the National Bibliography
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	A.1.3.1	Number of Documents Digitized per 1,000 Documents in the Collection
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	A.1.3.3	Number of Content Units Accessed per Document Digitized
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	A.4.1.4	Staff Costs per Loan
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	A.4.2.1	Number of Attendance Hours at Formal Training Lessons per Staff Member
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	A.4.2.2	Percentage of Staff Time Spent in Training
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The implementation of only 6 out of 34 ISO key indicators can only be seen as a starting point. DNB plans to implement more key indicators of ISO 21248:2019.

DNB regards key indicators as very useful instruments for the management of the library, especially for strategic decisions. Besides the internal use, those key indicators will also allow comparisons between the national libraries – but only if others also implement the ISO standard and publish their results annually.

If more national libraries implement the ISO standard and if they are interested in a benchmark, the result of our NL SC meeting could be building a “virtual” working group, in a way to collect resp. name those colleagues who are responsible for key indicators and statistics in the national libraries. In the next years they could report to the NL SC about their benchmark results.

It was suggested to add this point to the action plan.

Katharina Beberweil shared that she is stepping down as the convener of the SIG-NOIR. She thanked the SC for their support. Guy Berthiaume thanked Katharina Beberweil behalf of the SC for her hard work in promoting SIG-NOIR,

The SC thanked Guy Berthiaume and Genevieve Clavel for their work on the SC over the past four years.

11. Next meeting of the Standing Committee

All were invited to attend the next meeting, scheduled for Wednesday August 28, 10:45-13:15, Business Meeting Room 329

SC Members attending

Chair: Guy Berthiaume

Secretary: Genevieve Clavel

Information Officer: Stuart Hamilton

SC Members, outgoing and remaining

Nafisah Ahmad

Renate Gömpel

Lars Ilshammar

Katarina Kristofova

Isabelle Nyffenegger

Liisa Savolainen

Katarzyna Slaska

Mark Sweeney

Kristel Veimann

SC Members, incoming

Gerard Bouwmeester

Francesco Manganiello

Juok Park

Winston Roberts

Huism Tan

Sophie Vandepontseele

SIG Convener

Katharina Beberweil

Observers

Fatima Aziz

Anthonia Onuhoa

Cecilia Af Forselles

Nadège Isbergue

Irina Gayshun

Liudmila Zaytseva

Christopher Alario

Abeer Al-Kuwari

El Ferrane, Mohamed

Hamideh Memari

Parisa Paysar

Saleh Zamani

Hyang Nam

Hae-yong Lee

Hee jeong Yoon

Kiti Vilkki-Eriksson
Masaki Aihara
Maixan Ismail
Aidatul Hasnida Abdul Rani
Patrice Landry
Filippos Tsimpoglou

Not attending

Elsa Barber
Aakki Hassan
Angela Maria Monteiro Bettencourt
Ismet Ovcina
Hajer Sahli
Munalbaeva Umutkan Daurenbekovna
Han Yongjin

Apologies

Melita Ambrožič
Hans Jansen
Jaesun Lee