



**ANNUAL MEETING
IN CAPE TOWN
2015**

Venue: Centre for the Book, National Library of South Africa
(62 Queen Victoria Street, Cape Town City Centre)

Date : 18th August 2015

Time : 8:30 – 17:30

1.	<p>Opening and Welcome</p> <p>The Chair, Professor Kai Ekholm (National Librarian, Finland) opened the meeting and welcomed the delegates. Altogether there were 69 delegates from 49 different countries.</p> <p>Apologies were sent by Marie-Christine Doffey (Switzerland), Belinda Toolsee Kreetee Ramnauth (Mauritius), and Gunilla Herdenberg (Sweden), Syed Ghyour Hussain (Pakistan).</p> <p>The Chair expressed in Memoriam for Alexei Rau (National Librarian, Moldova).</p>
2.	<p>Welcome by the Host Country</p> <p>Ms Rejoice Mabudafhasi (Deputy Minister of Arts & Culture, South Africa) welcomed delegates. She expressed her happiness to see the library community gathering together in Cape Town, South Africa. In her welcome words she reminded that even though we come from different countries we can learn from each other, we can empower each other and we can be partners. She encouraged national librarians to work with their governments, as they do in South Africa. In South Africa they have a strong library program to help the country move ahead. She encouraged librarians by talking and expressing themselves to make the library community important. At last she said how she appreciates that we all have come together and wished the CDNL a good conference. As a former librarian she said: "Once a librarian, always a librarian."</p>

	<p>Prof. Rocky Ralebipi-Simela (National Librarian & CEO, National Library of South Africa) welcomed delegates and presented the venue – Centre for the Book – as a place where the National Library teaches people to write books and to read them. The Centre for the Book is place special emphasis on school children.</p> <p>Ellen Tise (Chair, Board of the National Library of South Africa) welcomed the delegates as well, and as a former president of IFLA emphasized the role national libraries have to play in the success of their countries.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Confirmation of the Agenda and introduction to the Theme</p> <p>The agenda was confirmed.</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. (Minutes published on web site.)</p> <p>Chair’s report. The Chair gave his report of the year 2014 – 15. (Published on web site)</p> <p>A new CDNL representative on IFLA Committee of Standards has been appointed: Ulrike Junger from the German National Library. The Chair thanked the former representative Anita Goldberga from the Latvian National Library for her 4 years work on Committee of Standards.</p> <p>The Chair gave his introduction to the meeting and main theme. The CDNL executive board decided to change the structure of the annual meeting. The main theme is leadership, and the intention is to continue this leadership theme in future annual meetings. The executive board wishes to have more interactive meetings and hopes that the new structure encourages delegates to play a more active role. A wrap-up –team was asked to make notes during the day and especially to interview delegates about their wishes for a theme for the next meeting. The national librarians of Australia, Lithuania and Norway were asked to form the wrap-up –team.</p> <p>The chair introduced the main theme by asking if the national libraries around the world are ready to face up to the digital future.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>"Strategic Thinking - Game Over", Keynote speaker Dr Steyn Heckroodt (Dean of Academic Affairs at Westford School of Management). See presentation on web site.</p>

	<p>Dr. Steyn Heckroodt gave a speech about environmental scanning, executive scenario planning and strategic selection in organizations. In his presentation he opened up systems thinking; how organizations should be able to capture surrounding change, understand where things are moving and what areas are moving in environment. He emphasized the complexity of the environment of 21st century when things are changing quickly and organizations with their strategies drag behind. The solution for this sticking with strategies according to Dr. Heckroodt is that organizations learn to manage systems thinking and rely on flexible business models. His advice was to manage your own organization, not the environment.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>How the National Libraries will succeed with their digital strategies Moderator Kai Ekholm</p> <p>Two introductions to the theme were given by examples from British Library and Bibliothèque Nationale de France.</p> <p>“Living Knowledge: the British Library in an age of data”, Roly Keating (Chief Executive, British Library). (see presentation on web site) The British Library has a pure digital strategy because every matter has a digital side. BL’s strategy covers the next 8 years until 2023. The strategy is divided in four areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Data and ideas 2) Openness 3) People and creativity 4) Spaces: digital & physical. Physical spaces retain their importance even in a digital world. <p>A major challenge will be the anticipated reductions to the main grant: the library will strive to be even more open, creative and innovative</p> <p>The strategy is available at http://www.bl.uk/aboutus/foi/pubsch/pubscheme3/living-knowledge-2015-2023.pdf</p> <p>“The French digital network”, Bruno Racine (Director, Bibliothèque Nationale de France). BNF started its digital policy by launching the Gallica-service in 1997. In 2007 they launched the mass digitization program, while the digitization of the special collections was started in 2009. In 2014 was published Gallica Marque blanche which contains the strategic schemes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create digital corpora - Cooperation programs open to any kind of libraries - French newspaper collections digitalization program. <p>In 2014 BNF had 229 different partners coordinated by BNF on behalf of the ministry. Cooperation has included shared cataloguing, Gallica as a French Digital Library, distributed legal deposit network which means 26 access points to the</p>

	<p>French Internet Archive. BNF has created linked open data models, shared vocabularies and thesaurus.</p> <p>For national libraries to succeed in their digital strategies, they need to act as leaders and / or catalysts at the national level and to play an active role.</p> <p>Discussion by the panelists: Steyn Heckroodt, Rocky Ralebipi-Simela, Bruno Racine, Roly Keating, Dr. Andrew Kaniki (Executive Director, Knowledge Fields Development at the National Research Foundation)</p> <p>The panel discussion dealt with the digital environment and the challenges for the libraries in the future. Dr. Heckroodt underlined the need to change conventional thought paradigms, for libraries to think in terms of value, to become part of the business and commercial models and to rebrand themselves as centres of excellence.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Address of IFLA Sinikka Sipilä (President of IFLA) In her speech Sinikka Sipilä emphasized the role of the CDNL as an important partner of IFLA especially in developing the digital library and in furthering the leadership in library world. Close cooperation between CDNL and IFLA in the cross-border flow of information and legal matters is highly recommended.</p> <p>Donna Scheeder (Incoming President, IFLA) Donna Scheeder introduced her presidential theme Libraries: A Call to Action. She urged both libraries and librarians to build a change agenda at a personal level, at an organizational level and at a global level. Access to information is one of the core aims in UN programs as in IFLA strategy. IFLA represent libraries' opportunity to work together as international partners.</p> <p>Jennefer Nicholson (Secretary General, IFLA) Jennefer Nicholson introduced the IFLA strategy and four key initiatives which are under discussion: 1) Libraries in Society 2) Information and Knowledge 3) Culture Heritage 4) Capacity Building. She especially brought up the UNESCO literacy foundation, copyright issues and the Hague Declaration, the IFLA Risk Register and the new initiative for discussions on the issue of digital repatriation.</p> <p>Address of WIPO Anne Leer (World Intellectual Property Organization, WIPO) Anne Leer gave an introduction to current issues in the field of copyright. The Marrakesh Treaty to facilitate access to published works for persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled has been accepted in WIPO negotiations, and signed by a number of countries but will not come into force until 20 have ratified (10 had done so by August 2015). The appeal was made for national libraries to work with local governments to ratify and promote the treaty.</p>

	<p>Another issue brought up by Anne Leer was the cross border transportation of copyright works.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Global Trends and Showcases: Data Meets the Customers</p> <p>“Recent trends in digital service development in research libraries in Europe”, Kristiina Hormia-Poutanen (President of Liber; Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche) In her presentation Kristiina Hormia-Poutanen introduced the LIBER strategy which places high emphasis on open access and copyright efforts. (available on web site)</p> <p>“Presentation from African point of view”, Dr. Helena R. Asamoah-Hassan (FGLA, Executive Director, African Library and Information Associations & Institutions, Chairperson, International Advisory Committee of Unesco's MoW Program) Helena Asamoah-Hassan presented the African digitizing and data politics. In Africa digitizing is growing fast which means high demand for strong politics and principals. National libraries have an important role in guiding digitization. (available on web site)</p> <p>“Presentation from Asian point of view”, Ms Tay Ai Cheng (Deputy Chief Executive, National Library Board, Singapore) The National Library Board of Singapore represents public libraries, National Library and National Archives. NLB has more than 2 million members and over 30 million visits per year. Tay Ai Cheng presented the NLB’s profiling services in customizing the library services. The aim is to “push the right book to the right person”. She also demonstrated NLB’s linked data initiatives. (available on web site)</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Wrap up. Team: Renaldas Gudauskas (National Library of Lithuania), Anne-Marie Schwirtlich (National Library of Australia) According to the theme of the meeting Renaldas Gudauskas introduced Lithuanian projects in big data field. The wrap up of the day’s presentations highlighted the new challenges that the digitalization of our environment creates. Also the social and juridical issues are partly dependent on the digital environment. National libraries around the world can have a role in politics’ creation. One of the most current issues is copyright and access to the information. One question raised in the wrap up –presentation was how to prepare better to the annual meeting and how CDNL and IFLA can work more productively together.</p> <p>Guy Berthiaume (Canada, Chair of the National Libraries Section, IFLA) and Genevieve Clavel-Merrin (Switzerland, Secretary of the National Libraries</p>

	<p>Section, IFLA) told about their plans to strengthen cooperation between CDNL and IFLA National Libraries Section.</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>Welcome to the Next CDNL Annual Meeting Robert Randolph Newlen from the Library of Congress welcomed delegates to the next annual meeting to be held in Columbus, Ohio, USA.</p> <p>Carol Diedrichs (The Ohio State University Libraries) and Pat Losinski (Columbus Metropolitan Library) co-chairs of the 2016 IFLA WLIC National Committee welcomed delegates to Columbus - 15th largest city in USA.</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Closing of the meeting Chair thanked the organizers of the meeting, Professor Rocky Ralebipi-Simela and her staff, for successful meeting facilities and fluent arrangements.</p>
	<p>A total of 69 delegates attended the meeting. They represented 49 member libraries as follows (in country order):</p> <p>Angola, Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Kingdom of Morocco, Latvia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malawi, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Thailand, United Kingdom, USA, Vietnam.</p>